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# Putting the Brook in Stony Brook?

## Few Answers in Progress of Announced Plans for Renovations of Academic Mall

By PETER GRATTON  
Statesman Editor

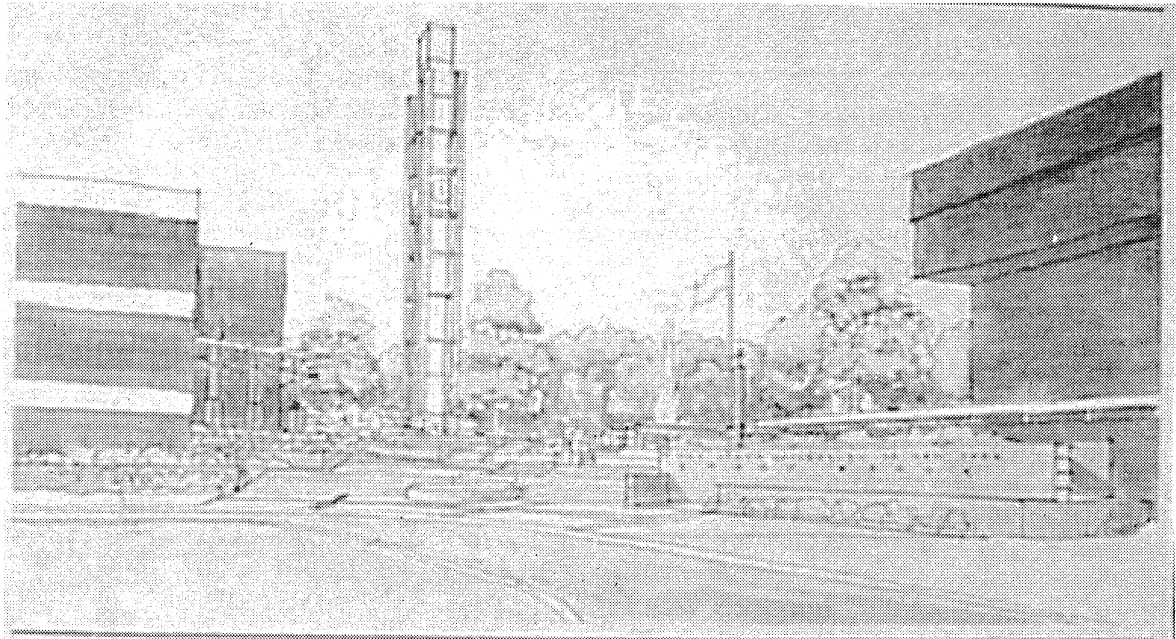
Among the architectural drawings lining the hallway outside of the auditorium where University President Shirley Strum Kenny delivered her State of the University Speech last week were several illustrations that would puzzle more than a few members of the campus community -including, apparently, members of the administration themselves.

The drawings depict a complete overhaul of the center of the academic mall, from a new waterway to be installed between two new fountains to be located in front of the Administration Building and across from the Humanities Building to a clock tower overlooking the center of campus. The drawings have been making their way around campus in a number of venues, from the Admissions Office to the library. However, when asked about the overhaul, different members of the administration give conflicting answers as to the progress of the changes.

The plans for the overhaul were announced at an April 13 luncheon for Green Team participants, by Kenny and Vice President for Facilities Gary Matthews.

"We want to make Stony Brook more hospitable for people. We are striving to become a people friendly University," Matthews said at the time.

Matthews said in April that the cost for the



Administration officials said that the clock tower above, depicted in an architectural drawing, is unlikely to make its way onto the academic mall, unless someone makes donations to the project.

renovations, which have not been allocated by the state, would be provided by "private sources." In an interview this week, however, Matthews said that the money for the projects on the academic mall would come from University operating funds and other sources.

In her convocation speech last week, Kenny continued to talk about the growth of construction projects throughout the campus, including the plans for the football stadium and the expansion of Heavy Engineering, which were among those depicted in the architectural drawings placed outside of the auditorium. The construction for those projects begin next spring. But other than a mention of an effort to remove "the dreadful blacktop splayed across the Academic Mall" to

be replaced "with landscaping and walks that match the west end of the mall," there is no indication of the vast plans announced in the spring and illustrated in the drawings in the Staller Center Gallery.

Despite the attention paid to the academic mall renovations at a major administration event in the spring, and the prominence of the blue print display at a convocation attended by virtually all of the higher members of the University administration, officials this week remained hard-pressed to update us on the progress of the plans.

Vicky Katz, the University's director of news said late last week that she didn't "know anything" about the drawings.

In addition, regarding a Freedom of Information Act request filed by the *Statesman* in April for copies of the academic mall blueprints, which was turned down because Vice President for Administration Richard L. Mann told us that the November, 1997 drawings did not exist, Katz said that "from what I gather, the drawings you saw were not in our hands when you asked about them." Despite the Green Team luncheon announcements on April 13, Katz said that the information she received was that the drawings "were 'conceptualizations' done by the architects."

For his part, Mann at first told us that he himself was unaware of the drawings and that he too believed that they were mere "artist conceptions." He did agree that some renovations on the mall would begin this spring, but would be limited to the removal of the asphalt from area between the library and the Administration Building, and a reworking of the entranceway near the admission loop.

Matthews has since agreed to Mann's assertion that the plans are basically conceptual, despite his announcements in April. The plans, he said, were illustrative of the administration's hopes and "probably won't be done." He said that the drawings reveal the administration's "work toward a master plan," which may happen in "five or fifteen years or never." However, Matthews said that there will be a fountain, which "hopefully" will be connected to another fountain in front of the administration by a small waterway.

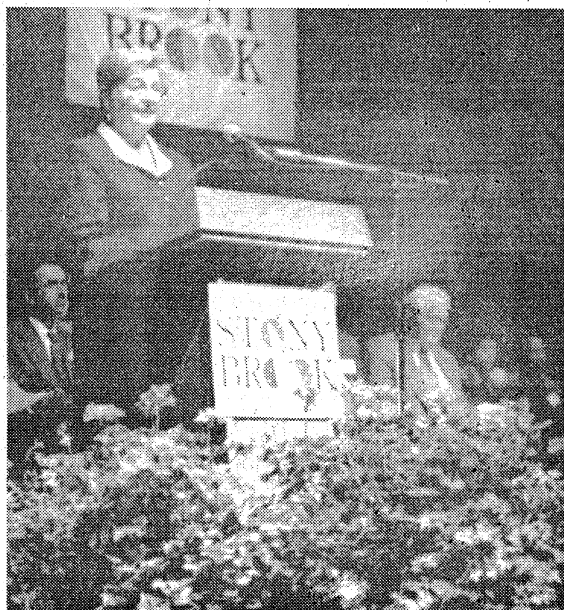
Campus Architect Bob Zimmerman put to rest rumors that there would be clock-tower, although Matthews said that the tower may be put in if the administration finds a donor for the project.

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## Convocation Held at Staller

By KEVIN KEENAN  
Statesman Editor

Accompanied by illustrative graphs, and a hallway full of architectural drawings depicting upcoming changes to the campus, University President Shirley Strum Kenny took



President Kenny delivering the State of the University Address last week at the Staller Center

to the center stage of the Staller Center last week to outline the accomplishments and failures of her administration this past year.

She also welcomed new faculty members, awarded old ones for outstanding service, and dined with the new and old at an exquisite dinner in the Student Activities Center following the address. Kenny commenced by highlighting her budget. "This year for the first time since 1995, State support has noticeably increased; for the first time in several years we have salary increases for our faculty and staff, although of course we would have preferred greater increases" Kenny said. "The State budget actually increased \$13.5 million, from \$177.7 million last year to \$191.2 million this year."

Kenny, in her speech, also paid particular attention to Stony Brook's research budget. "Since 1980 our research expenditures have increased annually in an upward pattern. Last year we had expenditures of \$111 million; our next closest competitor in SUNY was Buffalo at \$70 million" she said and then proceeded to pronounce her own success regarding research funding. "And I might add that in a single year last year, we increased by \$6 million as Buffalo, in a very tough year, declined by \$4 million."

Kenny also announced her desire to make the qualifications for undergraduate admission to Stony Brook stronger. "I have always believed that we could, and must, increase enrollments and academic qualifications - SAT's-

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# Back to the BASIX

## Seawolves Market Makes Room For New BASIX Store

By KAT FULGIERI  
Statesman Staff

The BASIX store and the Seawolves Market have been closed since the start of classes and no signs have been posted to inform the students explaining why.

Only signs declaring the absence of course packs, and several directing deliveries to other locations are seen on the paper covered glass of the respective establishments.

At the end of last semester, BASIX abruptly closed down and even terminated the employment at the store due to an FSA alleged claim of revenue loss. At the same time, the new Seawolves Market was experiencing management problems, which left a window of opportunity for FSA to make a bid to operate the store, which by all indications by FSA Retail General Manager Holly McNally they have won.

According to McNally, the Seawolves Market, located in the Student Activities Center, has been closed to make room for the "new" BASIX store.

The inventory of the Student Union's BASIX store is in the process of being transported to the site of the Seawolves Market. The layout will remain the same, but the BASIX store services will be expanded in the hopes of making students lives easier.

"The process should be complete within thirty days," said McNally, at which point students will

be able to go shopping again.

In the meantime, students living on campus seeking to purchase everyday items are faced with the limited choices of Wallace's University Bookstore or the stores off the Stony Brook campus. This is proving a large problem to resident students without cars, or the desire to take the bus off campus.

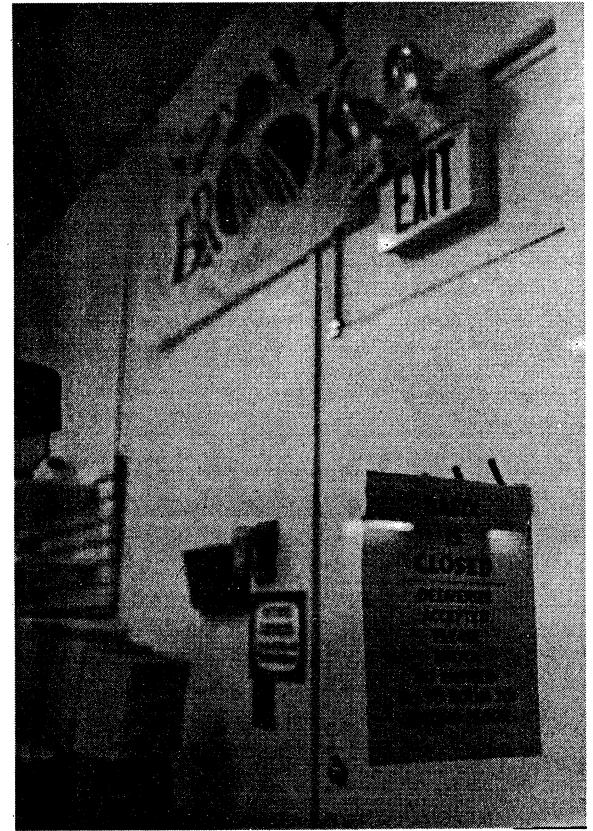
Although the three towns region is able to accommodate the everyday needs of students, the commute, and in some cases, the prices, are leaving some students angry and irritated.

Freshman Kelly McMahon said, "If I hadn't brought so much with me from home, I would want to kill someone right now. It's bad enough that I have to go to 7-11 to get a lighter, and even worse that everything costs so much more around here."

Indeed, a nonsmoking campus in an affluent area is presenting a homesickness problem for many residents. Student and resident, Yasmine Diaz, chooses to look on the bright side and said, "At least I'm getting some exercise."

Though physical activity is something to be condoned, frustration is mounting as residents are without a place to develop film, buy matches, and get other items.

McNally upholds the notion that the new BASIX will be a more comprehensive and satisfying one, and hopefully make the store worth the inconvenient wait.



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The BASIX store, located in the basement in the Student Union, is preparing for the move to the Student Activities Center.

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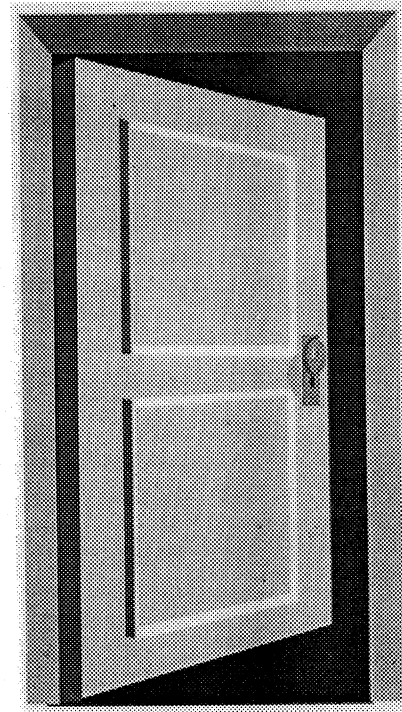
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# Clubs Look to Polity for Help <sup>5</sup>

By MICHAEL KWAN  
Statesman Staff

Last night at Polity's weekly meeting, 3TV and the equestrian team went before Polity and asked for help with funding for their clubs on campus.

Craig Oliver, the acting station manager of 3TV, Stony Brook's closed-circuit television station, presented arguments for resolutions regarding the need for the creation of the position of station manager, a position which was created by a Polity Council over the summer, but has not been officially made part of its by-laws.

"This system is a very complex one," said Oliver, who has been in charge of the station for the last five years. The position will facilitate the day-to-day operation and maintenance of the station, and train prospective staff members.

The resolutions, which were introduced by Senator Mike Garcia, who was absent from the meeting due to classes, also brought up the issue of ad placement on the station. Oliver would like to begin to air advertisements on the station. However, during the inception

of the station, there was a verbal agreement which precludes the station from the airing any advertisements, much like any other public television station. The revenues raised by the ads would help fund the station, "because funding [from Polity] may not always be available," said Oliver. In addition to this, the revenues raised would pay for part of the salary of the proposed station manager. Commuter Senator Matt Johnston brought up the fact that approval from President Kenny would be needed to do this.

After a copious amount of debate, the resolutions were not passed, however, it was resolved that the resolution regarding the creation of position of station manager would be brought before the Senate as an amendment to the by-laws of 3TV.

Also asking for aid from Polity, representatives from the Equestrian Team came to the meeting in search of funding from Polity, and the student activity fee. The team is not funded by NCAA or the University.

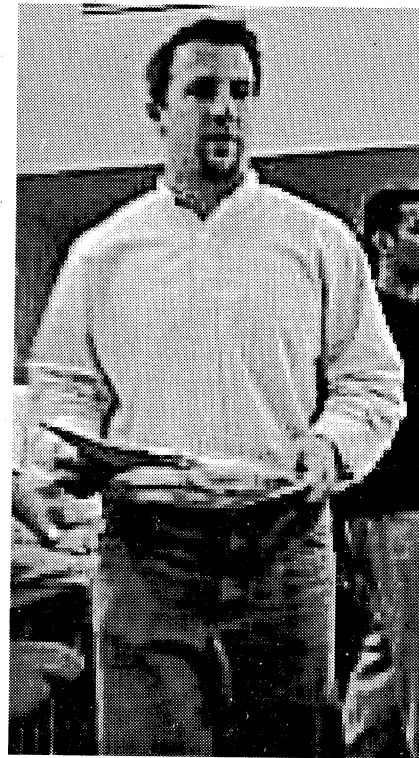
This funding will be in the form of a

\$.50/semester increase in the student activity fee for two years. A referendum will be held during the Polity elections later this semester; allowing the student body to decide whether or not to allocate the funds, which will total \$11,000, for the thirty member team. Senator Johnston said that as long as the team actively seeks funding from private sources, which it has in the past, the team would have enough to cover its operating costs.

There was also motion by Commuter Senator Alec Kleier, for a \$.75 increase in the activity fee on the referendum, which would put \$20,000 into the equestrian team's budget. This motion did not pass a vote to be put on the ballot.

"Last year we worked incredibly hard to do well," said Aisha Singh, captain of the team. Right now, each member of the team must pay for transportation, lessons equipment, etc... him or herself.

In rebuttal, Senator Johnston said, "They have chosen an expensive sport. We should not be held responsible for that."



Senator Matt Johnston pointed out that approval from President Kenny is necessary for 3TV to air ads.

## Evolving Through Time

### Anthropologist Richard Leakey Gives Lecture on Extinction

By FREDERICK DAVIS  
Special to the Statesman

The well known evolutionist Dr. Richard Leakey gave a lecture, entitled "Where We Are: Our Past and the Future," last Wednesday. Through the course of the lecture, he discussed the theory of evolution, and the effect that poaching and the extinction of endangered species will have on humanity.

Those who attended the lecture expected a deep discussion about evolution from Leakey. While Leakey did brush upon the issues of evolution, it was only to prove how close all animals are related to us and how their survival is linked to own.

He began his lecture by discussing evolution, and the conflict between Judeo-Christian beliefs and the biological record. He spoke about how the greatest challenge today is, "the challenge of knowledge," and how someone in the near future will unlock the secrets of life, and in doing so create life.

Leakey discussed Darwin's work, which was the basis of the theory of evolution, the end result of which is the depth of existence we have today. Leakey asked the questions, "What constitutes us? What is humanity?"

He went into how paleontological inquiry has tried to answer the question "At what point does an ape become a human?" Leakey responded that, "For arguments sake, we'll say it hasn't happened. We are still apes."

Four to five million years ago animals began walking on two feet, this began what has become bipedalism. Leakey explained how bipedalism was not a wise choice in development, for once you walk on two feet, you always cannot walk in any other way.

Those who lose a leg then need another artificial one to use as a crutch, unlike the animals

who still walk on fours, who can go on with only three for life. Leakey, who lost both of his legs in an accident, speaks from experience; he is now dependent on specially designed prosthetic legs.

Leakey goes on to say how once you are on two legs you need more inter-personal contact, such as speech, to communicate. For when we injure one leg we rely on the compassion of others for our survival.

Leakey then speaks about compassion that other animals, like the elephants, have for each other. For example, when elephants see the remains or bones of other elephants or animals,

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they cover them with leaves and branches to prevent their bodies from being ravaged by predators. He also spoke about the way chimps make use of tools such as rocks to break nuts open.

He shows the rationality and emotions that animals have, and discussed the discovery of artifacts, such as Lucy, the oldest known skeleton of a human, and the oldest known bipedal foot print.

Leakey then spoke about how discoveries made in the future may shed light on the past.

As Leakey did this, he also kept his focus on the present, and showed slides of the senseless slaughter of animals, all for economic profit. Examples like, the sale of ivory from elephants and the destruction of forests, to illustrate his point. "With the loss of so many species, our own will soon be threatened," said Leakey.

Next he discussed the future, and how the existence of other species is important to our own.

How European countries paid millions of dollars to provide an access to an impenetrable forest, just to get wood, and in the process killing hundreds of species that would have other been left to thrive on their own.

Yet they say they can't raise the money for animal protection." Leakey goes on to say the dangers are even worse as the countries are planning to lift the ban on ivory trade in 1999, and allowing third world countries can now profit by slaughtering rhinos and elephants.

He finishes his speech by explaining that governments are saying if there were attempts to save some endangered species, humanity would have to pay a price.

If it is possible to recognize globally human rights, would it not be possible to provide a protection for wildlife," said Leakey. "As we approach the millennium the challenge for the future is to find ways to provide funds for the preservation of the environment." He has proposed a fund that would serve to protect wildlife.

At the end of his lecture Leakey fielded questions from the audience. One student asked, "What can we do, as individuals, to protect the preservation of the species?" Leakey said that he has recently recognized the power of political advocacy for environmental issues, and hopes to prevent, or at least stall, the inevitable extinction's that will occur if nothing is done, through his advocacy.

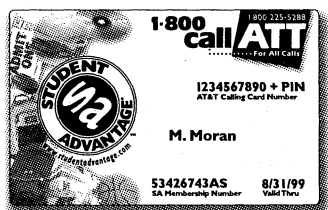
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## Kenny Takes Center Stage

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simultaneously."

The low point of Kenny's presidency came last year, she admitted, when the University confronted a housing crisis. Kenny said that she believed, though, that the crisis has been temporarily solved.

She also seemed to take the blame for this phenomenon by citing the fact that the room shortages accelerated after she shortened the residence hall renewal schedule from 12 to 5 years. The solutions to the housing project involved "the omission of certain categories of students" from housing eligibility and the exclusion of 5th year students from housing eligibility beginning next year, she said.

After her speech and slide show, Kenny recognized the more than fifty faculty and staff being awarded for outstanding service to the University.

Among those recognized included Sarah Sternglanz from the Women's Studies Program. Sternglanz received the President's Award for Excellence in Diversity and Affirmative Action. Sternglanz is responsible for proposing, developing and implementing a training course on sexual harassment for graduate program directors, and is the joint developer of the Sexual Assault Facts and Education Peer Education Program. She has also served as faculty advisor to more than 200 students who have participated in this program over the past 4 years, and is the co-director of the Federated Learning Community on Gender and Sexual Diversity.

"She has devoted an enormous

amount of time conducting groups and one on one training sessions in order to ensure the best possible knowledge and understanding of these issues in the graduate community," Kenny said.

"I really appreciated receiving the award—it's very nice to feel my colleagues value the work I've been doing. But, every project I've worked on was a collaborative one—you just can't do AA/EEO work by yourself—so even more than the award I appreciate the help I've had from others, faculty, staff and students, as well as people off campus" Sternglanz said. "None of those projects would have succeeded without major (and most often majority) input and hours and months of work from others."

After briefly recognizing the award recipients at the convocation, Kenny stepped aside so that department chairs could introduce the more than eighty new faculty members.

Daniel Cause, a former undergraduate student here who attended the event as the guest of one of the recognized faculty members, shared his views. "This is an excellent event. I am truly impressed with the caliber of these new and old faculty members."

"The individuals who are honored this evening, and many more like them, are those who go beyond the expected and make Stony Brook a great place to study and work" said Ann Forkin, director of conferences and special events, "The President's annual Convocation speech allows all who live, work and study at the university to hear, first hand, Stony Brook's accomplishments and future plans."

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# A Step Forward

## AFS Program Close to Becoming Official Department

Yet another victory is about to be won in the battle to raise African concerns to the level at which they should be: In a unanimous vote this past week in the Arts and Sciences Senate, the Africana Studies Program is ready to achieve status as a full department and we couldn't be happier. The motion just has to pass through the University Senate and they are in. It seems only logical that a program that has existed since 1968, that has offered both a major and a minor in the discipline and that boasts a competent and passionate faculty should be granted this status. The move was backed by almost everyone, including USB President Shirley Strum Kenny.

Taking lessons from their foremothers and fathers, the students who

fought diligently for this should be extremely proud of themselves. With their hard work and the demonstrations they held last semester, they have in turn given us all a

**The students fought diligently for this and should be extremely proud of themselves**

valuable lesson in what dedication and passion can accomplish. The hard work of Professor William McAdoo and Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Paul Armstrong

should also be recognized and admired. They both proved to be effective leaders and at the forefront of this struggle. And they have got what they wanted. As McAdoo stated in a past issue of Statesman, the program had all the makings of a department in terms of funding and staff. All that was lacking was a name and the respect and prestige that went along with it. Now they have both and it is about time.

Back in 1985, the program applied for departmental status, only to be denied due to lack of administrative support.

Contrary to popular belief, African studies are not just for black students. Some of the most significant issues in Black studies have been integral to the shaping of our society as a whole, not just Black people in general. Historical events such as the slave trade and the civil rights movement offer us a look into the core of what has made America into the place it is today. At the same time, it offers students with that ethnic background a deeper insight and awareness into their culture. Black history is a part of all of our histories as Americans, regardless of our skin color.

At a university like Stony Brook, where diversity is one of our biggest selling points, an Africana Studies Department is necessary to the support of its continuation. With tensions between the races mounting across the country and particularly in the New York area, it is important that understanding is achieved. And our school is one of the best places to start. We offer heartfelt congratulations to the future Africana studies DEPARTMENT.

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# Playing the Waiting Game

By JOSE YADER CASTILLO  
SPECIAL TO THE STATESMAN

I am sure that all students at Stony Brook have had the hassle of waiting long periods of time to be served in some way. I have. Whether it was at the Deli, the Bleacher Club, or at the building infamous for its long waits, the Administration Building, I have always experienced a wait. Being the patient man that I am I always grinned and bared it, blaming it most of the time on the short handed staff or, in some instances, on the total lack of competence and respect on the part of the workers. But a few days ago I experienced a wait of 10 minutes that was completely unexpected and unacceptable.

The other day while quietly studying in my room someone threw a rock through my window completely breaking the glass. After regaining my senses and checking to see if I could catch the perpetrator,

I called the Campus Police, but only after not being able to find a single RA or the RHD in my building.

What happened next is the unacceptable part. Once I dialed 333 and waiting for exactly 6 minutes I was met with a cold, "Campus Police, please hold!" So I did what anyone else would do, I held. After another 5 minutes (11 minutes total now) I was again met with a cold, "Campus Police, is this an emergency?" I gave them my story and I was helped. A police officer took my report and that was that. But 11 minutes to actually speak to someone is an awfully long time to wait, especially when the wait is from calling an emergency number.

I realize that my situation was not a dire one, but knowing that it takes a human being exactly 4 minutes to die from various injuries, ranging from bleeding to suffocation, I would have been in some serious trouble before the cold, "Campus Police, please hold!"



## Questions That Demand Responses

BY FRANK SANTANGELO  
SPECIAL TO THE STATESMAN

I often think of the second or third year resident student who upon enrollment had been told that the meal plan would be mandatory for only their first year. That is not the case. Campus Housing has reduced the number of cooking buildings and plans to make all resident halls mandatory meal plan units. Is this fair? No. And ought we challenge this? Yes.

Is it fair that students are housed like overcrowded inmates at a correctional facility? No. Is it fair that those students receive only \$100.00 deducted from their housing costs? No. Can the University do more? Yes.

And what of commuter students: must they be forced, like cattle, onto over-capacity buses during the peak hours? Administration has NEVER responded accordingly. Indeed, last semester the problem went unanswered and commuters continue to board under hazardous conditions.

Is it true that residents must smell garbage waste? Yes, which is a continuous, foul smell near Kelly. Is this healthy? No.

Dining issues continue to plague our student body:

- ◆ Inconsistent pricing
- ◆ Limited stock i.e. a poor selection
- ◆ Option meal plan 'B' and the failure to deliver a sound meal program
- ◆ Is the Union Deli any better? Dear god, "they shoot horses, don't they?"
- ◆ And what about weighing sandwiches at Humanities? This was NEVER in any contract between Campus Dining Services and Chartwells.
- ◆ How about that pathetic little deli at Kelly? THAT was NEVER the concept agreed upon by FSA and the Compass/Chartwells.
- ◆ Why is catering subsidized by the meal plan?

These are simply a few areas that demonstrate an ongoing replication of issues that never go away. We need to make a stand against those that permit these problems to continue. As a student body we do have a recourse. Indeed, *all* administrators and staff are not protected; we simply need to make an example of a few.

A start would be taking a close inspection of FSA. It is this organization that is responsible for bringing food and retail (Books, did I mention that above?) vendors onto campus. Do they really provide reasonable and honest services to students? No. Weren't they responsible for closing Basix and firing that manager on whim? Yes. Did that organization claim to be losing money? Yes. Am I arguing that FSA costs us too much money? Yes. It is time that we look for a better provider. Binghamton University has done so—and they

are in better shape because of this.

Whom might we look at in administration? Fred Preston, VP for Student Affairs, comes immediately to mind. This guy—clearly an articulate administrator best known for his tact in diffusing issues—is on more committees to improve the life of the student, unfortunately, he rarely attends them. He was, however, fielding questions and making statements at the Spring '98 housing forum. You might recall his pretentious promises. He is full of rhetoric, and paid well for it. How bold and pompous is this weasel? Just recently he had shared with a commuter student council member that the entire structure of Polity was illegal and on whom he could destroy it. I'd like to think that his testosterone level might have been spiked at that moment. At any rate, he ought to be sent packing—with his lunch in hand—to another university. Or at least, from this one.

This year we have a stronger and more

effective student government. Indeed, on October 19, our Polity will hold an open meeting to discuss some of these issues. Moreover, a resolution will be presented before Senate to examine the possibility of dissolving FSA. And finally, the Polity Council is considering a web page—on an outside domain—that will post these (and more) problems. Clearly this will have an impact on potential students. In sum, we mean business. Period.

Take a moment and write your "beef" and be a part of a movement that will be recognized for bringing about an effective change. Undoubtedly because of our concern and action, the future will be filled more with the merits of our university than with its sickness.

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# Pranksters Pull Penny-locking in Dorms

By JIM MOLINARI  
Statesman Staff

A dangerous prank involving penny-locking has spurred students to take action against their fellow residents. Simply sticking a penny in the latch above the combinations in the residence halls causes people to be locked in their rooms from the inside and unable to physically get out. This can cause students to miss classes and more seriously, it is a very dangerous safety hazard, in which if there is a fire alarm or some other emergency, they are trapped with no way out except their window.

Early Thursday morning, around 1:30a.m. a penny-locking incident occurred in Benedict College on the B-0 floor. Apparently, about three or four residents of Benedict, strongly believed to be freshman soccer players, were attempting to penny-lock the entire floor. Luckily one person, who was about to be locked in, managed to get to the door and unlock it before the penny could be set in place to lock them in.

At first the resident, Maurice Lopez, figured it to be a fellow hall mate, but upon opening his door he found about three males attempting to lock in his neighbor. These suspects, thought to be freshman, thought it would be funny to lock the entire B-0 floor in their rooms, causing a serious safety hazard.

The occupants of one room reported the incident to University Police, the RHD, and the Statesman, while others on the B-floor proceeded after the penny-lockers down to the A-floor. "When we confronted them, they said that they

## Students Get Locked into their own Rooms in a Series of Recent Incidents

were practicing, for what we don't know and we just figured they were trying to justify their actions by saying it was just a prank," said one witness.

According to the residents who were subjected to this prank, when they informed their RA about had happened, he told them he knew who it was and that it had happened to him before. The RA did not wish to comment on the subject matter.

University Police is taking action against the

three or more suspects, but details concerning their punishment are unknown. The Residence Hall Director of Benedict College Hannah Buck said, "Hopefully people realize that this is a very serious safety manner and that it does not belong here at this school."

Maurice Lopez, a senior who has lived in Benedict just about all his 4 years at Stony Brook, managed to prevent his door from being penny-locked previously, and he assumes that the guys who have been penny locking everyone are also the ones who have been pulling the fire alarms. "If this had happened at 3:00a.m. or 4:00a.m., no one would've known about it and about 25-35 people would have been locked in their rooms and unable to attend classes until someone else let them out," said Lopez.

The big issue here is the safety factor. Penny-locking is not something to just brush under the rug, even though "this is an isolated incident," said Lopez.

The residents who were penny-locked feel that the culprits should be kicked out of their rooms and replaced with students waiting for housing and who are worthy of living on campus. With the overcrowding in rooms, in which case there are three people living in a double room, many feel that these type of people should not be allowed to remain on campus.

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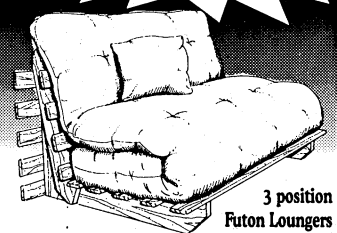
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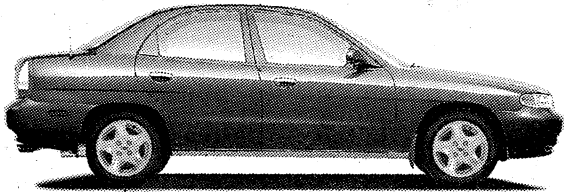
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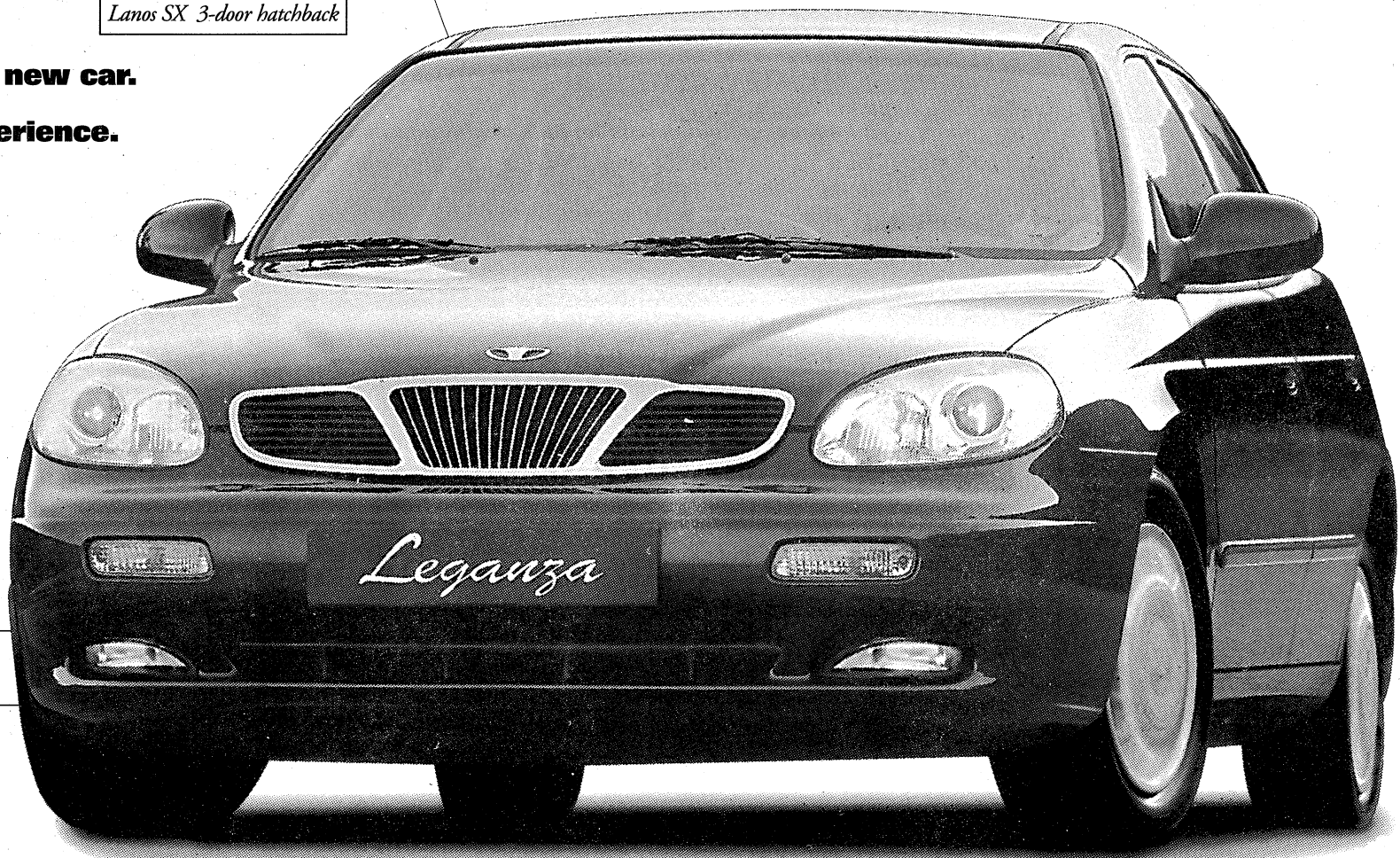
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# Lost Wallets and Fights Lead Police Reports

10/5/98 1:55 p.m.

In the Old Chemistry Building in one of the labs on the third floor a Texas Instruments calculator got stolen. It was left on a table and was gone when the owner came back. It was worth \$80.

10/5/98 3:30 p.m.

From the Frank Melville Jr. Library loading zone a Compaq 1540 lap top computer was stolen. It was company owned and worth \$1400. The door of the mini van it was left in was found slightly ajar.

10/5/98 5 p.m.

The last time this Mongoose mountain bike was seen with it's tires was Oct. 4 around Schomburg College. The tires were stolen from the frame and are valued at \$30.

10/5/98 10 p.m.

From the library, on Oct. 4, a brown leather wallet was stolen. Its contents were credit cards, a student ID, a drivers license, and a Sprint phone card. The phone card had a \$50 charge to it after it had been stolen.

10/6/98 time unknown

In Gershwin College, B-wing, a subject reported suspects firing a BB gun out of a window. Officers responded but the suspects were not in their room.

10/6/98 10:05 p.m.

In the South P-lot five males were putting ads on cars. The suspects removed the papers from the cars and were given trespass warnings.

10/6/98 2:58 p.m.

Off campus a bag with books, a student ID, and a driver's license were found.

10/6/98 3:17 p.m.

In the Kelly Cafeteria a female had a verbal altercation with a male subject.

10/6/98 5 p.m.

The victim left her SUNY ID on her unattended tray in the SAC while she went to get something. When she returned ten minutes later, it was gone.

10/6/98 5 p.m.

From the Since Site in the library, a subject reported that her newly acquired bank account number and ATM pin number were taken out of her book bag. Her ATM card was not taken.

10/6/98 5:15 p.m.

In Wallace's Bookstore three males walked out with \$150 worth of three Springer Verlag books. They ran out upon being spotted.

10/6/98 5:30 p.m.

From the Since Site in the library a wallet was stolen with \$20, a Social Security card, N.Y. driver's license, and a student ID.

10/6/98 8:57 p.m.

In Wagner College a resident reported that his roommate harassed him. The matter was referred to resident's life.

10/6/98 10:18 p.m.

A missing persons report was filed because a mother lost her 10 and 13 year old children. They got lost on their way back from the bathroom and got redirected to the Fine Arts Loop in front of the Administration building.

10/7/98 1:45 a.m.

A pull box was used in Ammann College. The system was reset.

10/7/98 1:52 a.m.

In the library, room C1600, the computer alarm went off. The building was secured.

10/7/98 1:54 a.m.

A false fire alarm went off in Benedict College because the pull box was used on B/1. The system was reset.

10/7/98 5:30 a.m.

Last seen on 10/6, a wallet was lost. Between the

## Blotter of the Week

10/11/98 3:29 a.m.

In the Grad. Chemistry P-lot 30 to 50 people were fighting. Three males were arrested for hitting victims and damaging a vehicle with a stick. The total cost came to \$700 from several windows being broken and the body of a car being damaged. One suspect was taken to the sixth precinct for felony criminal mischief.

reading room and the Since Site in the library it was lost and it had a driver's license, debit card, and a Master card in it.

10/7/98 6:11 a.m.

In a lab on the second floor of the Old Chemistry Building an unknown person left the faucet running causing water to seep down to the first floor. Fire safety, the building manager, and the physical plant were notified of the condition.

10/7/98 11:14 a.m.

In the Old H P-lot an '89 Ford Taurus caught on fire. It damaged a '91 Plymouth, '91 Subaru, and a '96 Nissan. The Setauket Fire Department responded to the scene after unsuccessful attempts were made to extinguish it. The victim reported no problems with the car prior to the fire.

10/7/98 11:24 a.m.

There was a trash can fire in the Old Engineering Building. It was extinguished and all was in order.

10/7/98 4:29 p.m.

In HSC School of Social Welfare a female was disoriented and she was taken to the University Hospital emergency room via UH EMS.

10/7/98 5:23 p.m.

In the Chapin G p-lot, a car windshield was damaged.

10/7/98 6:57 p.m.

From Keller there was a report of a persona non grata

violator in the building.

10/7/98 9:05 p.m.

An empty fire extinguisher was found near a lecture hall in HSC.

10/7/98 9:47 p.m.

In the South P-lot a large group of people were reported behind the bus stop. They dispersed upon officer arrival.

10/7/98 10:46 p.m.

In the Staller Center an unknown person(s) damaged the vending machine.

10/7/98 unknown time

From Baruch College a tan wallet with an ATM bank card, about \$47, and other personal contents were stolen.

10/7/98 11:45 p.m.

The Student Health Center's SBVAC chief reported a \$400 SBVAC uniform stolen. (Since Sept. 16 ten uniforms have been stolen. One was found hanging on the tennis courts.)

10/8/98 1:28 a.m.

A report of a dispute between the residents of Benedict College's A and B-wings was made. The RHD was notified, the dispute was resolved, and all was in order.

10/8/98 2 a.m.

From the Eisenhower College Office the glass on the door was broken and the room was burglarized. A computer and it's monitor \$5000, unlimited power supply battery \$800, word processor \$200, CD-radio-cassette player \$200 were all taken.

10/8/98 2:20 a.m.

Two female students were harassed by two males in the Student Union.

10/8/98 3:19 a.m.

In Ammann College C-wing, two females were fighting and in verbal altercations in the hallway when four officers arrived on the scene. The victim wished to make a citizen's arrest on the suspect who is not a student. She was arrested and transported to the police station. Later that day the victim decided not to press charges. She suffered from a headache and the suspect was released from custody. The four students were referred to student affairs.

10/8/98 9 a.m.

A victim was sleeping in the common area of Hendrix and left his wallet on the table. It was stolen and it held \$100, his ATM card, and pin number. Since the robbery, \$500 worth of withdrawals have been made.

10/8/98 9:50 a.m.

From Dreiser College a video game was stolen. The suit door was closed, but left unlocked. It's value was \$50 and it was rented from Blockbuster.

10/8/98 time unknown

From Wallace's Bookstore a female was seen taking merchandise from the store.

10/8/98 4:55 p.m.

A report of a dispute between a Chartwells manager and a student in SAC was made. All appeared in order upon police arrival.

10/8/98 time unknown

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# Student Union Art

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not often that you have the opportunity to meet and talk to an artist," she had reminded them. But now the artist was being more controversial, and it was easy to see that she could not allow some of these statements to stand alone, unanswered. That day's "sitter" (the person who sits in the gallery), Dave Green, added his voice to Wiener's in their gentle but firm objections to a few of the artist's uncensored opinions.

Rodriguez commentary was full of dismissives of the Bachelors of Fine Arts and Masters of Fine Arts programs. The BFA and MFA that he had earned, he made quite clear, were not what made him an artist. Nor was that education necessary for him even in the techniques he used in the production of his works. And perhaps the most interesting assertion of all, "I really believe that being an artist has nothing to do with talent or skill."

As an example, he pointed to a painting entitled *Limite*. In this piece, an audience of people is represented by the backs of heads wearing hats, crowded in front of a sign, against the background of a red curtain. The sign reads "Limite Republica Mexicana", and it is obviously a border notice between Mexico and America. In fact, the sign is the only part of the painting that is not painted in, but is a reproduction of a photograph of an

actual sign.

"In this painting, I wanted to express my contempt of the situation surrounding this issue," he explained. "And when I saw that sign I knew it was perfect for what I wanted to convey, I simply cut out the photo and used it in the piece. I could have painted or penciled it in or traced it, but why do that? The photo expressed the idea.

"My point," he concluded, "is that you don't need an art education or a degree to know how to take a pair of scissors and cut a photo out of a magazine. That is why I say that you don't need talent or skill to be an artist. If you're an artist, and you want to express an idea, you'll find a way."

As the sitter's and the gallery director's questions became more pointed toward his anti-art education opinions, Rodriguez obligingly softened them and gave at least token respect to the formal process he had been presenting as unnecessary.

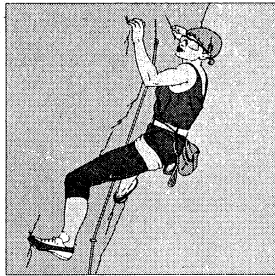
This is just the sort of experience, and exchange, that no student, let alone an *art* student, should miss. Perhaps in closing this would be a good time to remind the reader that Lilliana Porter, whose *Arte Poetica* exhibition, reviewed in this newspaper, is still on display in the Staller Art Gallery, will also be having an Artist's reception. This will take place at the Staller Gallery next Thursday, October 22, from 3 to 4 p.m. Don't miss *this* one!

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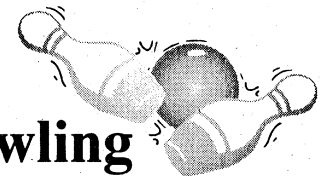
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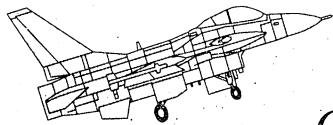
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In Dreiser College the complainant stated he found a male in his suitemate's closet. The subject fled to call the police.

10/8/98 6:06 p.m.  
A report of elevator 11 in HSC was founded to be stuck on the first floor.

10/9/98 2:12 a.m.  
From Wagner College's second floor the fire alarm was set off. The officer responding to the call couldn't reset the alarm. It stayed on until the morning. It was then reset.

10/9/98 5:31 a.m.  
In Wagner College the victim stated her door was spit on and the suspect was knocking on her walls in attempt to annoy her for a past incident. The student was referred to student affairs for this and underage drinking.

10/9/98 8:20 a.m.  
From the South P-lot a Sony AM/FM cassette player was stolen from an '85 Volkswagen Gulf. It was worth \$120. The hatchback was left unlocked.

10/9/98 9 a.m.  
From the Computer Center P-lot the front license plate was stolen from a '97 Mercury Tracer four door. It was worth \$20.

10/9/98 5:59 p.m.  
A fraudulent parking sticker was confiscated from a car. The student was referred to student affairs.

10/10/98 2:24 a.m.  
An unknown vehicle crashed into the North Gate near Nichols Road. The gate is destroyed and the vehicle left the scene.

10/10/98 2:29 a.m.  
In Dreiser College three males were found knocking on the doors trying to wake up the residents.

10/10/98 2:59 a.m.  
In Dreiser College on the third floor a student was referred to student affairs for underage drinking of alcohol.

10/10/98 9:51 p.m.  
The smell of marijuana was traced in Wagner College. When the police arrived it was nowhere to be smelled.

10/10/98 time unknown  
A man hit several cars as he was leaving his spot by Lake Dr. in the faculty staff p-lot. He didn't report them and there was a witness to the crime. He was arrested.

10/11/98 3:24 a.m.  
A person was arrested for criminal trespassing.

10/11/98 12:15 p.m.  
In Chapin College F-wing a boyfriend and girlfriend had a dispute. He wouldn't let her leave the residence. The situation was controlled upon police arrival.

10/11/98 6 p.m.  
From the Schomberg College P-lot an '89 Mazda XR7 was stolen.

**Some Helpful Hints on Campus Crime:**

Hi! I am your police blotter-girl. I am now here to not only to alert you of crimes that have gone on in our campus, but I have also come to help you.

I have a very important hint for all of you extra-trusting people (I happen to fall under this group, too!) : please don't leave anything you own anywhere on this campus without you watching it! That means no running to the bathroom for five minutes and leaving your bag on a chair. That means not going to photocopy something and leaving your books somewhere. That means not leaving your meal card or wallet laying around and thinking that no one will take it. Another thing, you may have noticed, if you have been keeping up on this column is that there have been a lot of things being stolen from the library.

As one of the officers in our police station told me, "This is not Shagri La and the Hunch Back of Notre Damme is not here to save you! You must protect yourself!"

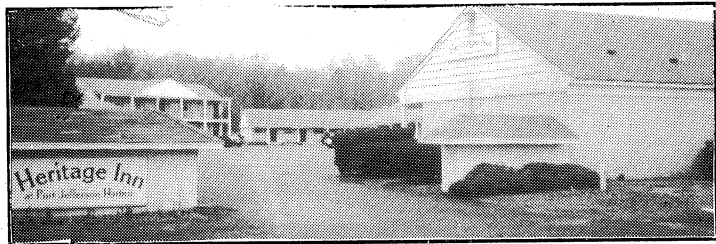
The moral of this story is BEWARE! Watch your items carefully!! I have also been made aware that there is an individual calling students claiming to be Bursar office or the library and that the student owes money. They then ask for your social security number and credit card number. Don't fall for it!! Do not give out these numbers to anyone!

My fellow students, I hope you may all learn from this. It is very important!! I don't want to have to be writing about you next week!

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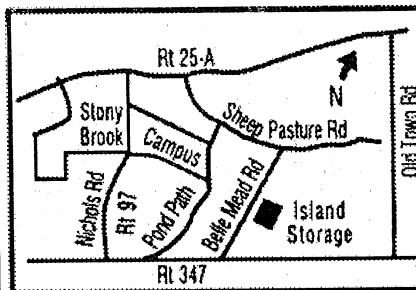
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# One-Time Janitor Returns as Professor

(AP) In 1963, Ted DeLaney got a job mopping floors at Washington and Lee University. He's been at the school all but a few years since. Only today, at 54, Theodore C. DeLaney is the newest member of W&L's history faculty. He teaches American history, specializing in its chapters on slavery, Massive Resistance and the civil rights movement.

The latter are topics he knows firsthand. For it was during the civil rights struggle, and the escalating violence surrounding it that DeLaney, at 17, abandoned the academic scholarship he'd won to Morehouse College in Atlanta to stay in his native Lexington.

That irony isn't lost on DeLaney, though he shuns being portrayed as any sort of victim. Nor does DeLaney blame the confines of his protected upbringing for the nearly two decades that passed before he finally entered college, at W&L, and ultimately earned his doctoral degree from the College of William and Mary. DeLaney was bound for Morehouse in the early 1960s when his mother, having never ventured far from Rockbridge County, feared he would join the lunch counter protests against segregation making news across the South. She was right, DeLaney recognizes now, though he remained reluctantly in Lexington, where the only work for blacks then was in service to well-to-do families or at the town's colleges for white boys.

He worked briefly as a butler at a W&L fraternity and then pulled a stint peeling potatoes in the kitchen at Virginia Military Institute. So oppressive was that job, and so meager the 65-cent hourly pay, that he left to tend the gardens of two old Virginia ladies.

He enjoyed the work but longed for something more, though his dream of being an artist was too farfetched for real consideration. So he turned to the church and packed up to join the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement in Garrison, N.Y. Though his childhood conversion to Catholicism mystified DeLaney's family members, they endorsed his decision to go North. While he was devout in his faith, DeLaney learned from the seven months he spent in the monastery that a

cloistered life wasn't for him.

"I stayed long enough to learn that the Lord wasn't calling me to be there," DeLaney said. "The hardest thing was the obedience part, particularly to rules I felt were silly."

His return to Lexington again led DeLaney to odd jobs around town, first as a waiter at the onetime Mayflower restaurant and then with the biology department at W&L. He was hired to mop floors, but the bright and personable

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DeLaney quickly gained promotion to a laboratory technician's position, setting up biology course experiments.

He remained in the biology department for the next 20 years, during which time his wife and a longtime faculty mentor urged him to enroll in classes.

"There was some fear and trepidation in starting college here," DeLaney concedes of his pivotal decision to enroll in 1979. "Part of it was that so many of the faculty knew me and were friends. I didn't want to fall on my face in front of them. ... But I was at a point in my life when I needed to do something different."

He began juggling lectures and assignments around his job, as well as his newfound duties as a father and his activities on various civic boards. Within a few years, DeLaney and

his wife, Pat, Lexington's city treasurer, sold their house so he could quit work and pursue his studies full time.

Adult students were a rarity at the private college, and DeLaney sometimes felt out of place - especially when he had no choice but to take his young son to school.

"I can remember one time our babysitting arrangements broke down and I had to bring him to my Brazilian history class," he recalled. "At one point, I looked down and he was gone. It ends up he'd crawled out the window." DeLaney graduated with honors from Washington and Lee in 1985 and immediately landed a history position at the elite Asheville School in North Carolina. He relished teaching and enjoyed life at the boarding school, though the job divided his family, with his wife driving down on weekends to be with DeLaney and their son, Damien.

Three years later, it was DeLaney who became the commuter and long-distance parent. His entry into William and Mary's Ph.D. program was difficult but exhilarating, with his solitary lifestyle leaving him little to do but read and study.

His endeavors proved to be worthwhile, yielding a postdoctoral fellowship for two years at W&L, then a two-year teaching post at the University of New York in Geneseo, and finally the assistant professorship he now holds at his alma mater.

DeLaney's success, however, hasn't come without cost. "The burdens fell on my son. His experiences are no different than a child who's been through a divorce," DeLaney laments of the years his only child, now a senior at William and Mary, spent shuttling between schools in different states. "And we still have not absorbed all the debts that we incurred by my doing this late in life.

"I look at my life and the achievements seem very humble," he added. "I sat on my laurels for 20 years and didn't take advice people gave me until it was almost too late."

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# Rewarding the Weird and Archaic

(AP) Peter Fong has given new meaning to the expression "happy as a clam." The Gettysburg College biologist found that mollusks reproduce at 10 times their normal rate if Prozac is dumped in the water.

Now he is being rewarded for his scientific contributions with the "Ig Nobel" award, a Harvard-based spoof of the real Nobels given to people whose achievements "cannot or should not be reproduced." Nine others were being feted in celebrations Thursday and Friday.

Among them, the Canadian researchers who attempted to link foot size with penis length and the British doctors who published a medical journal paper titled "A Man Who Pricked His Finger and Smelled Putrid for Five Years." Fong, the clam man, was pursuing research on the basic nervous system of fingernail clams when he discovered that if he dumped the antidepressant Prozac into the water, the clams would start reproducing madly.

"It's a piece of wonderful science and it sounds utterly ridiculous at the same time," said Marc Abrahams, editor of the tongue-in-cheek *Annals of Improbable Research*, the Cambridge-based journal that bestows the awards, along with several Harvard student organizations.

A committee of about 15 unnamed people perused hundreds of nominations for this, the Eighth First Annual, you read that right award.

Real Nobel laureates participate too, handing out the prizes.

Some of the awards are given to scientists, like Fong, who did research that was bona fide, if not a tad strange.

Others are given to ordinary folk who devote

## Anti-Nobel Awards Handed Out for Research on the Edge

their lives to questionably "scientific" pursuits. Like 33-year-old Troy Hurtubise of Ontario, Canada, winner of this year's "Safety Engineering Award." He has spent years developing \_ and personally testing \_ a suit of armor impervious to grizzly bears.

"He's a classic inventor," Abrahams said. "He gets this idea and he really sticks with it."

Then there are winners like Dolores Krieger, whose work is being mocked. Krieger's research on the power of therapeutic touch was debunked by 11-year-old Emily Rosa in a study published last spring in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

Krieger couldn't be reached by the folks at the journal to claim her prize. Instead, Emily was in Cambridge to accept it on her behalf. Other recipients this year include:

-The Ig Nobel Peace Prize: Indian Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Pakistani Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif for "their aggressively peaceful explosions of atomic bombs."

- For chemistry: Jacques Benveniste of Clamart, France, for his discovery that water has memory and that the information can be transmitted over telephone lines and the Internet

- For literature: Dr. Mara Sidoli of Washington, D.C., for her report in a psychological journal titled "Farting as a Defense Against Unspeakable Dread," in which she studied an 11-year-old boy who would break wind whenever faced with something unpleasant.

- For statistics: Jerald Bain of Mt. Sinai Hospital in Toronto and Kerry Siminoski of the University of Alberta for their paper published in *Annals of Sex Research* on foot-penis ratio.

- For physics: Wellness and spirituality guru Deepak Chopra for his interpretation of quantum physics "as it applies to life, liberty and the pursuit of economic happiness."

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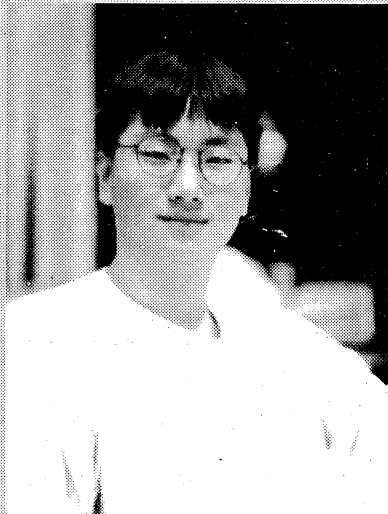
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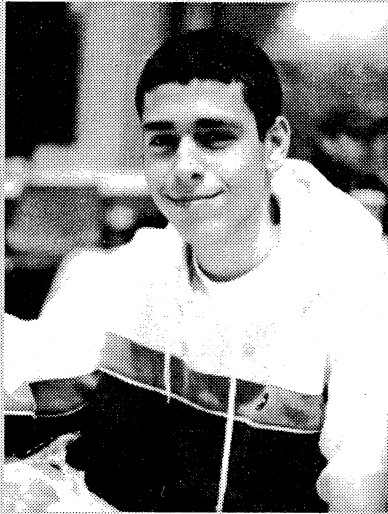
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Selene Terry  
Junior, Economics major

"Yes, because I'm volunteering with my sorority. It's a great opportunity to help out the campus community."



Carlos Pina  
Sophomore, Pre-med major

"A little bit, yeah. I'm waiting for the parties."



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# Close Loss

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own 20 yard line. The fans were hoping to see the Seawolves score at least a field goal to take the lead from the Falcons. However, they were not able to get anything going and they found themselves stuck in the muck.

In the next drive for the Seawolves, they put in quarterback Oscar Alcantara to see if he could get things moving. He was brutally sacked on the first play but came back the next play and found a hole in the defense that gained 14 yards. He picked up the next first down by scooting through the line for six yards.

The Seawolves looked like they were getting things done until they got penalized for an illegal procedure that killed their drive.

The defensive lines on both sides played huge roles since the ball was kept on the ground most of the game. The Seawolves defensive line for the most part did an outstanding job of shutting the Falcons running game down. Other than the 91 yards that the Falcons running back Matt Rapoza gained, the Seawolves totally shut down their running game. Stony Brook "sat back" and contained the line instead of aggressively charging the quarterback. The technique worked against the run but it gave Bentley's quarterback time to throw.

The Seawolves only had one sack. It was Mitch Ramsom, who now has five individual sacks and leads the team. The Falcons put more pressure on the quarterback by sacking him six times for a loss of 31



*Statesman/Jason Mark*

The field at Bentley College became slippery quickly under the rain.

yards and disrupting the Seawolves drives.

Gabe Rodriguez helped the Seawolves break up many of the Falcons drives. He intercepted two passes and broke one up to add to his already impressive four unassisted tackles. Bob Mazaroski added to the effort by having three unassisted tackles in the backfield and five assisted ones. The football was knocked loose nine times by the defenses but most of the footballs were covered up by the receivers. Both teams recovered two fumbles each so the results seemed to equal out. It was Jesus Marcano, in the end-zone and John Kostkowitz that recovered the fumbles for Stony Brook.

A football coach and friend of mine would often say, "When football field conditions are bad, you can quickly tell who the players with fortitude are." This game showed that the Seawolves Football Team is comprised of such athletes. When it comes down to it, having players like those at Stony Brook usually makes the difference in big games. In this case, they showed the rest of the league that they are as competitive as any team out there when it comes to playing football.

The Seawolves have another big game on Saturday. It is the homecoming game where all the alumni come to cheer on their old college team and see how the program is growing. Also, the Seawolves have a chance to take third place from the Albany Great Danes that are currently 3-1. The Great Danes have a great defense with linebacker Shree Lewis leading the charge. He was picked as the defensive player of the week because of having eight tackles against Merrimack last week. He also had a blocked punt, blocked field goal and a sack. This homecoming game should be another big step for the Seawolves young football program.

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# Nobel Prize Winner Offers Contest

By PETER GRATTON  
Statesman Editor

Each year, the University helps accept submissions for the annual Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics Contest, which is sponsored by a foundation set up by Wiesel from the money he earned when he became a Nobel prize winner for his work on the behalf of peace.

Wiesel is a Holocaust survivor whose written works include "Night," a novel depicting one of the greatest horrors of the 20th century.

Wiesel continues to speak out himself on the issues of ethics, and has recently fixed his own comments on what he has called the American public's obsession with "pornography."

The Nobel Prize laureate continued with these remarks as he accepted an honorary degree at Cedar Crest College.

"Once upon a time ... we talked about politics in public and sex in private. Now it's the opposite," said Wiesel, chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Council and Andrew Mellon professor of humanities at Boston University.

"Who would have thought that this democracy ... would produce a situation in which the national discourse would go down to pornography?"

Wiesel, who has also won the Presidential Medal of Freedom, congressional Gold Medal, Medal of Liberty and more than 60 honorary degrees, accepted his latest honor Monday with the hope that people would listen to the oppressed.

"Whatever you do, you must do with passion, with compassion, and always allow the victim to have the last word," he told hundreds of students, faculty and community members.

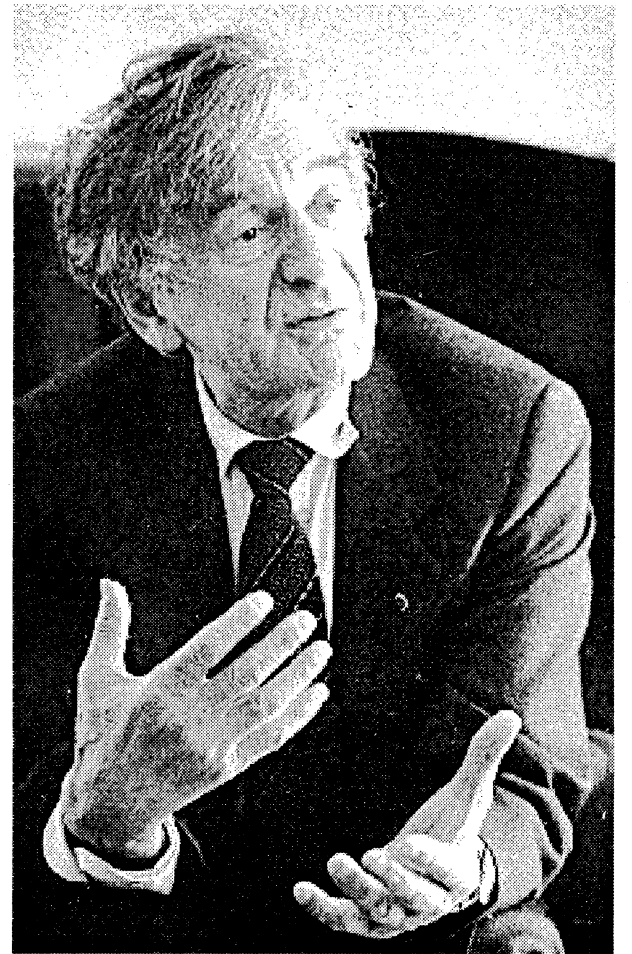
Cedar Crest Trustee Alice Miller introduced Wiesel, who has written more than 50 books, essays and reports on the Holocaust. She said Wiesel, who was held in the Auschwitz and Buchenwald camps during World War II, "inspires us to do our part in bringing about lasting peace on Earth."

The essay contest has a first prize of \$5,000, a second prize of \$2,500 as well as additional moneys going to three other winners. The suggested theme of the contest is to discuss ethical dilemmas from personal experience, our moral obligations to fellow humanity, and the ethical aspects presented by a literary text or public policy issue. Central to these themes is a conception of why each of us are here and our abilities to meet our ethical obligations.

All submissions by University students should be made through Nancy Franklin, the University Liaison of the Elie Wiesel Foundation. Franklin is also an associate professor in the Psychology Department.

Anyone interested should contact Franklin (632-7840) before November 1st, although the essay does not necessarily have to be completed by then. All submissions must be written by undergraduate juniors or seniors registered this semester.

*This story supplemented by AP wire reports.*



Nobel prize winner Elie Weisel has set up a foundation that sponsors an annual ethics contest.

# Under Eighteen Not Permitted

## Students Under 18 Not Allowed to Take Part in Psych Experiments

By SUZETTE LAM  
Special to the Statesman

The Committee On Research Involving Human Subjects (CORIHS) and head of the psychology department, Dr. Nancy Franklin, have decided on a new policy for teenagers under the age of 18 taking Introduction to Psychology.

All students taking Psychology 103 are required to earn four credit hours to meet their research requirements for the course. They can either earn the credit hours by participating in hour-long experiments offered by the Psychology Subject Pool or by reading research articles on reserve at the Psychology library and taking a quiz on the article. Each passed quiz is counted as one credit hour.

The new policy proposed by Dr. Franklin and approved by CORIHS, a federally mandated institutional review board, limits the number of experiments minors may participate in to earn the credit hours. Full time students at Stony Brook who are under the age of 18 are permitted to participate in the experiments offered by the Subject Pool as long as the experiment does not specifically

exclude minors. However, high school students taking Psychology 103 as a college credit course may not participate in any experiments offered by the Subject Pool. They may only earn their credit hours through reading the research articles at the Psychology

*"If we have our parents permission, why can't we participate in experiments?"*

library and taking the quiz on the articles.

"If we have our parents permission, why can't we participate in the experiments?," asked 17 year old, East Islip High School student Melisa Hoffman. Students from East Islip High School were told that they may not participate in any experiment even if they obtained a waiver from their parents.

The new policy was proposed by Dr. Franklin and brought to the attention of the review board on September 17 at the CORIHS meeting.

CORIHS approved the policy because they wanted to inform anyone using the subject pool that underage students were participants in the pool.

"As a university, we are being legally responsible," said Dr. Franklin. The review board agreed upon a policy that would require the subject pool to get parental consent from minors before including them in an experiment.

"The purpose of the committee is to protect vulnerable subjects, minors are a vulnerable topic," said Judy Matuk, a member of CORIHS.

But high school students do not understand why other minors can participate in the experiments and they can not. "It's okay for 17 year olds to take the test, but not 17 year old high school students," said 17 year old Meridith Evans, a high school student at East Islip High School. The five East Islip High School students taking Psychology 103 question the policy where minors who are full time students at Stony Brook are allowed to participate in the experiments, but they may not even with a waiver from their parents.

"We drove all the way here and then told to get up and leave," said

Frank Galasso, a high school student from East Islip. The announcement was made to the high school students during the mass testing session. High school students were asked to leave before the test began and were informed that they would not be receiving an hour credit even though they appeared to take the test. "It's all for their protection, but parental consent may be waived on a case by case basis," said Matuk.

The high school students are also having problems fulfilling their credit hours since the office hours for the Psychology library, where the tests are being held, are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Some students have after school activities and cannot make it to Stony Brook until after office hours. "I have soccer practice until 5:30 everyday and the library closes at 5:00," said Evans.

Representatives from the Psychology library have told the East Islip high school students that they will get back to them with a solution, but so far they have not been contacted. Students have been told to discuss the problem with Dr. Franklin.

The policy has not yet been finalized. Students who wish to change the policy may speak with Dr. Franklin to bring up for review at the next CORIHS meeting in October.

# Penn and Teller Appear at Staller

By RISHAD JONUSCHAT  
Statesman Staff

The magical duo Penn and Teller brought their own brand of comedy and humor to the Staller Center last Sunday, October 11. They captivated the audience with death defying feats, blood, knives, and handguns.

Penn and Teller are a couple of humorous men who have intrigued audiences with their outstanding magic for the past 23 years. They have collaborated and performed thousands of live shows. In conjunction with these performances, Penn and Teller have also made regular appearances on The Tonight Show, The Late Show, Live, Late Night, The Today Show, and Saturday Night Live. The two famous entertainers have also written books, and have had in world renowned movies, such as *Toy Story* and *The Fantasticks*.

The performance contained a veritable "bag of tricks." The most remarkable of which was a barrel that the 6'6", 263lb Penn climbed into; only to have knives stuck through the barrel, and presumably Penn. When Penn emerged, he revealed that his pants had been ripped.

The subtle combination of farce and sobriety make Penn and Teller a unique couple. Both magicians inject dark humor into their act. An example of this is when Penn tells three stories of his friends and acquaintances.

Each of these tales supported the theme, "how hard it is to kill a man." The first of these described a man who was beaten senseless by three criminals, today he discusses politics on MSNBC. The second story was about a man who jumped from the Brooklyn Bridge, and later became a poet. The third and final tale was about a biker from Connecticut who had been shot and stabbed during his wild years. Surprisingly, he now works in the Back Bay of San Francisco, and is required to wear a tuxedo to work. Penn completes this act by attempting to break a rubber sack filled with stage blood. Failing to burst the bag, Penn proves his claim.

In another act, Penn stood on a ladder, behind a screen, with a lasso around his neck while Teller projected fantastic silhouettes of animals onto the screen. What made this scene astonishing was the way in which Teller used only his hands to make the shapes of various animals, including a rabbit, snake, unicorn, and bird. To add to this already enthralling act, he made the animals move while singing a song to convey a story.

Other short acts included Penn juggling with broken bottles, and flame throwing.

Penn and Teller don't just perform on their own; there is a definite rapport between the performers and the



Courtesy of the Staller Center

Magicians Penn and Teller visited USB last Sunday.

audience, and a great deal of interaction between the duo and the audience. For instance at one point during the show a man was chosen to assist Teller with one of his acts. Teller asks the audience member to pass him one needle at a time, until he finally placed six down his throat. Simultaneously, he moved his body to show the path of each needle passing through his body. Magically, he retrieved all six needles by using a long string.

Children were not excluded from this interaction. One young girl was asked to come on stage to talk with Moto, the psychic gorilla. A bizarre image of Moto was presented. Moto had a fax machine incorporated into his body, which he uses to receive messages from his friends from around the world. Teller, who impersonated the gorilla, answered simple questions asked by Penn, such as the girl's name, and what she does.

This farce continues for some time. Eventually, Moto mentions every letter and digit on a one dollar bill, which was picked at random from the audience. The crowd then changed their minds about Moto being a charlatan, and genuinely believed that he was a psychic.

The climax of the evening occurred during the last event where real handguns were incorporated into the act. Penn began his comical speech by asking the audience a general question about guns. With each question, he added in one extra piece of information, until the final question became so specific asking "Which of you use 357 revolvers on a regular basis?" As one would expect, only a handful of the audience could honestly answer yes. After this, two members of the audience were asked to fire guns through a piece of glass, and a bullet, presumably from each gun, was caught between the teeth of both Penn and Teller.

Although only a handful of tricks were displayed during the night, they were magnificently displayed, without fault.

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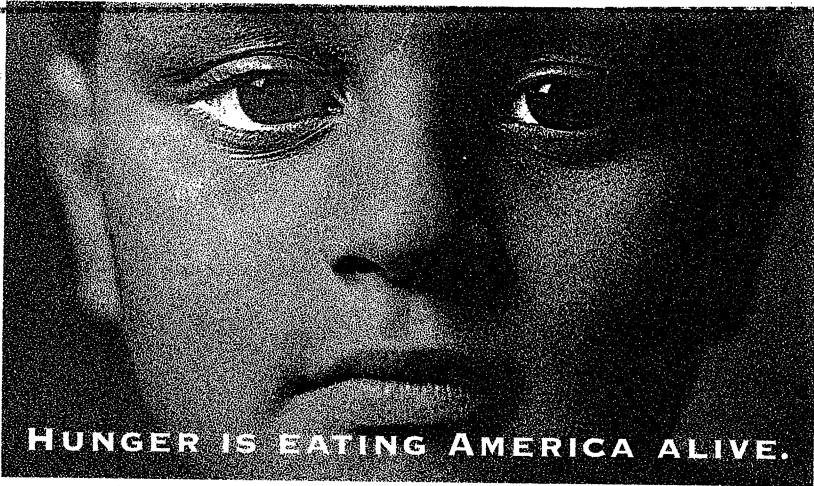
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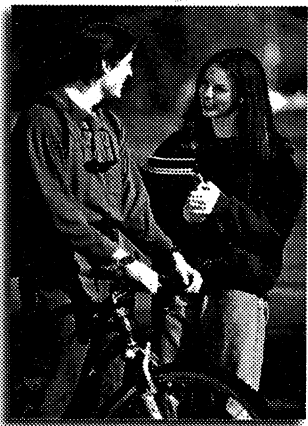
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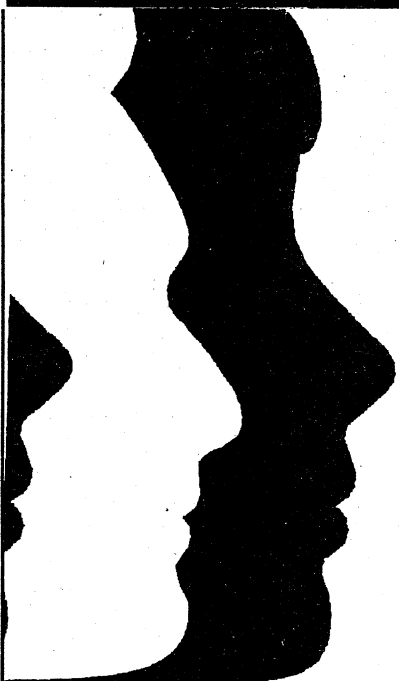
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# Artist Shows Off Work in Union Gallery

## Hispanic Heritage Month Exhibit to End Tomorrow

By KEVIN T. RICE  
Statesman Staff

Tomorrow is the last day students will have the opportunity to see Riche Rodriguez' art, featured in the Stony Brook Art Gallery for Hispanic Heritage Month. Those who visited the gallery last Wednesday had the opportunity to meet the artist himself. Attendees, many of whom were art students heard the deep, hidden secrets of what it means to be an artist. You would never hear such heresy in a classroom as Rodriguez gave voice to at his Artist's reception.

Riche Rodriguez is an unassuming figure of a man, able to fade into the background of the paintings and appear to be one of the appreciators of the art; yet paradoxically, a tall and charismatic performer when he takes center stage to talk about his work. With his black hair pulled back into a pony tail, his youthful face, and his casual appearance, he could easily pass as a graduate student. Yet, when he began to speak, his lively, easygoing manner took on a maturity and authority that commanded attention.

He began by addressing questions written by previous visitors to the gallery between September 28 and October 6. Among the specific questions he dealt with: "Why does your work contain so many barriers, pictures of a walls, of gates, of fences, of closed doors?" and "We see lots of hats and we see the backs of people's heads, but why this conspicuous absence of faces?"

Rodriguez gave answers to these and



*Limite*, by Riche Rodriguez, will be on display along with some of his other works at the Stony Brook Union Art Gallery until October 16.

other questions, but more importantly, he explained why he was interested in those questions and left the small notebook on the table in the gallery where those questions could be written.

"I'm mainly interested in how you see this work," he explained. "I want to hear your questions so I can find out how you are reacting to the art. I've always been a competitive person, and in being an artist, I consider myself a performer. I am very conscious as a performer of my relationship to the audience. That's why I entitled this show 'Cautivo', which is Spanish for 'Captive', because I consider myself, in a way, a *captive* to the audience."

Rodriguez then began to take questions about various pieces, and that is when the flack began to fly as his responses presented a serious challenge to orthodox notion of the value of an art education at a university. Marcia Wiener, the director of the gallery, made an effort to soften these statements and, in a limited and non-confrontational way, take exception to their implications, which were disparaging to formalized art education. Up to that point, she had kept a relatively low profile, speaking only to introduce the artist and stimulate the attendees to ask Rodriguez questions about the art. "It's

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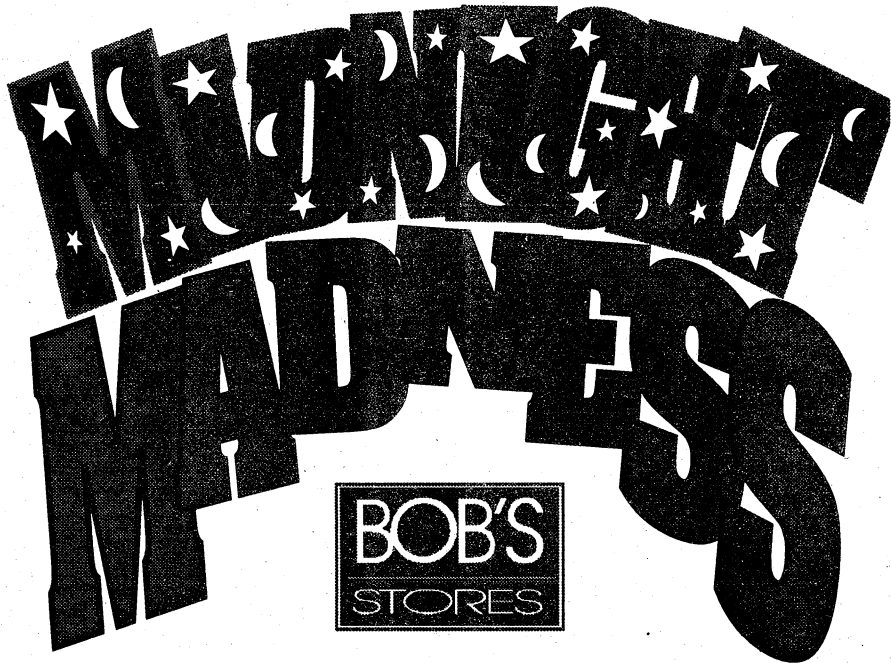


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## Dampened Spirits

### 'Wolves Lose Close Game Underneath Rainclouds

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BENTLEY, MA - Bently College defeated the Stony Brook Seawolves football team on Saturday with a final score of 9-7. The stormy weather over the weekend played a huge role in the game as both teams had a difficult time trying to advance the slippery pigskin.

The Seawolves offensive performance was dampened by the two inches of precipitation that was amassed prior to the game in Massachusetts. They were only able to gain half of their average offensive yardage. The poor



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Quarterback Scott Meyer makes a hand-off above, while the 'Wolves put the bite on a Falcon, left.

field conditions kept the passing game of both teams to a minimum. The Seawolves squeaked out only 53 yards passing in this game against the Falcons.

Lucas Niskanen lead the team with four receptions for 23 yards. He now

has 330 yards receiving on the year and has an impressive average of 11.4 per catch. The longest reception for the Seawolves in this game was 10 yards by Steve Sayegh.

This year Bently has gained most of their yards in the air, averaging over 300 yards per game. Saturday they found themselves having a difficult time gliding as gracefully through the air. Their passing game still ended up being the difference in the game. The Falcons were three times more effective moving the ball than Stony Brook. Even though neither team managed to scored off a pass play, the Falcons used their 167 yards passing to keep the Seawolves pinned deep most of the game. The Falcons averaged 10 yards per pass with receiver Mark Debrito leading the way with 63 yards and teammate Mike Lundell with 42 yards.

Stony Brook managed to run on the mucky-field conditions slightly more effectively than Bentley. The Seawolves rushed for 124 yards on 34 carries verses the Falcons 42 carries for 111 yards. Ralph Menendez III lead the team again and maintained his season average of over 100 yards per game with 102 yards

on 21 carries. On the year, he now has 406 total yards rushing. With his first quarter touchdown run of 54 yards against the Falcons, he now has four rushing touchdowns. It was the longest run of the day for either of the teams, just edging out Bentley's Jesse Campanaro who had a 53 yard punt return just prior in the quarter that set up a one yard run by Ted Larkin. The run by Campanaro, combined with his two pass break-ups in the secondary made him the "Freshman Of The Week" in the Eastern Football Conference.

The only other offensive score in the game came off the leg of Eric Giacobba, a kicker for Bentley College. He kicked a 22 yard field goal to make the score 9-0. It looked like a missed extra point on the first touchdown by Giacobba was going to make the difference in the game after the Seawolves scored a touchdown to make it 9-7.

On a goal line stance against the Falcons, the Seawolves forced them to cough up the ball in the end-zone and it was recovered by Jesus Marciano. The referee called a touchback and gave life to Stony Brook as they took over on their

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