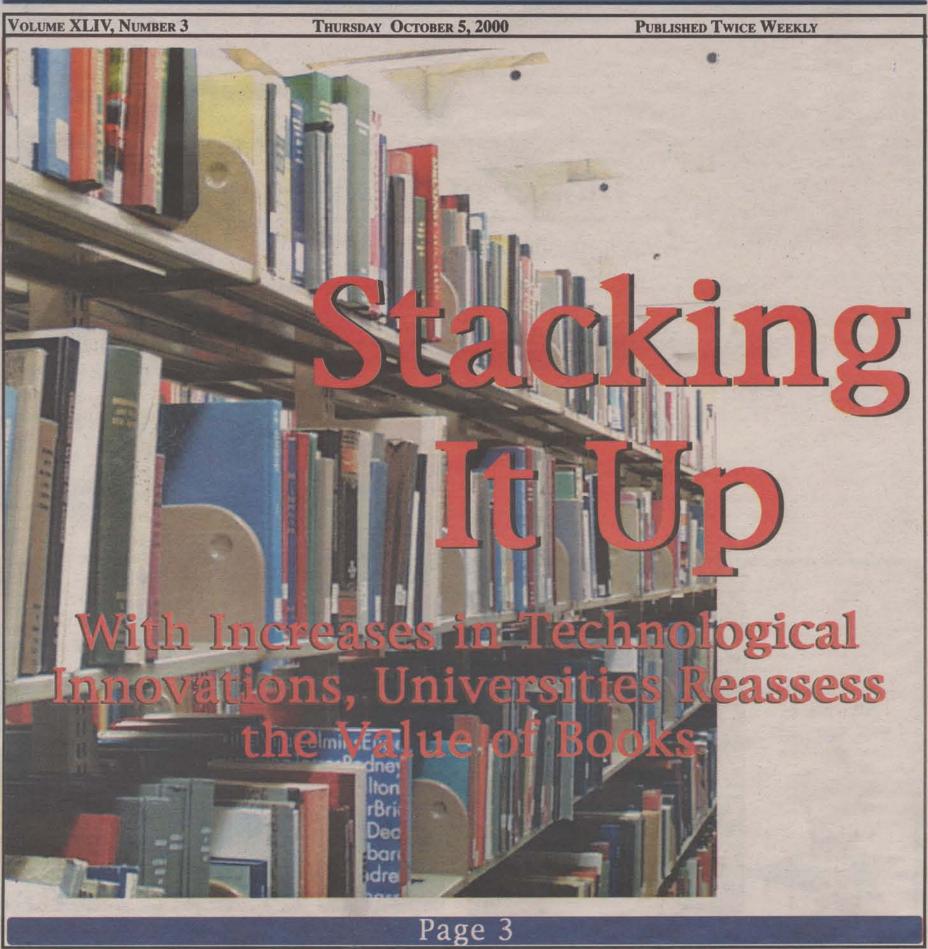
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# Police Blotter

### Prank Calls and Injuries Lead the Blotter

September 28

3:37pm - In the Univ. Hospital Shock Trauma, there was an accidental alarm sound.

8:53am - Between Nichols road and South Entrace, ENCON Police assisted with the capture of a racoon.

September 29

6:54am - In the Academic Mall and the Administration, a group of students were found writing on the ground with chalk. Five students were referred for these case.

1:11am - In the Univ. Hospital, a male suspect menaced a custodial employee with a weapon. Suspect Fled the Scene. No report of injuries were made.

1:06pm - There was a flood in the first floor of the Univ. Hospital, the power plant responded to the prob-

11:46pm - There was a small Fire at Gray College.

September 30

2:12am - At O'Neill College, there was a small fire in a wastebasket,

the fire was later extinguished.

2:42am - In Benedict College, a pull box was activated, there was not fire or smoke, the system was later reset.

9:51am - Paraphenalia was confiscated at Roth Quad.

October 1

3:10pm - An elderly male complaint of hip injury. The emergency medical services was notified about the problem.

an unsual smell of Marijuana. The odor was later dissipated.

October 2

2:29pm - In the Academic Mall, there was some unlawful advertisement posting.

2:38pm - At Greeley College, a computer hard drive was found.

3:41pm - In the Football Field, a male dislocated his index finger.

3:11am - At O'neill College, an unidentified male wearing a mask attempted to gain access into a room.

3:37am - At O'neill College, some prank phone calls were made.

1:47pm - Roosevelt Quad/ Keller College, a walkie talkie was taken from room. In some other news, also an aggrivated harrasment via telephone was reported.

#### **Blotter of the Week**

8:59pm - At Gray college there was an unsual smell of Marijuana. The odor was later dissipated.

1:38pm - There was Fire Alarm on East corridor of the third floor in Schomberg. It was a cooking related call.

2:05pm - In the South P Lot, a female suffered a leg injury.

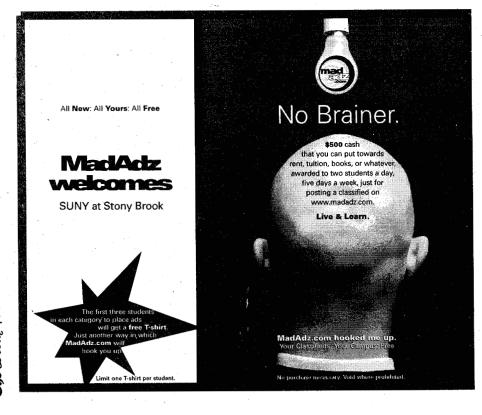
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8:42pm - At the University Hospital, a patient who had been missing returned.

5:48pm - Two motorist arguing damaged each other's vehicles. Both of them were arrested.

October 3

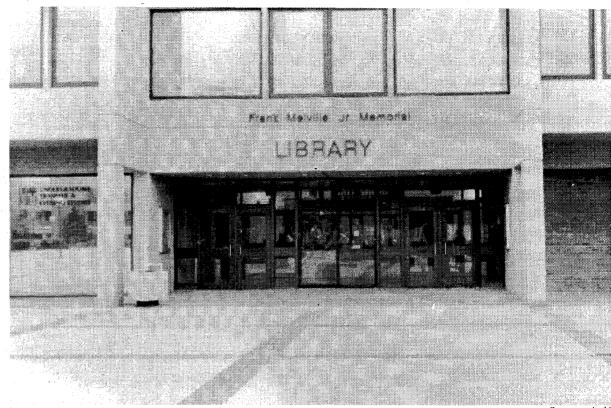
University Police wants to remind the campus community to have their vehicles inspected. Section 306B of New York State traffic law says that mo motor vehicle shall operate on a roadway without a valid inspection certificate. Inspections must be done yearly. Because no reminders are issued from the Department of Motor Vehicles, many people forget to have their cars inspected. University Police suggests noting your calendar one month ahead of time regarding the date of expiration. The do not want any campus drivers to receive a summons.





# Books Versus Electronics

Stacks Could Face Removal from Shelves and Conversion to Digital **Meduims** 



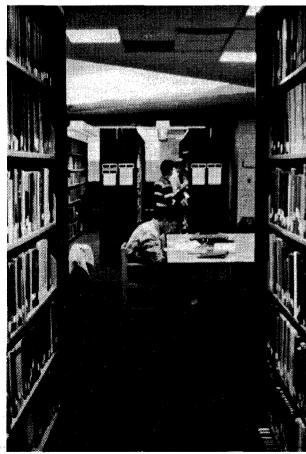
Statesman Archives

If the library were going to digitized their holdings it could cost up to \$1000 for each volume.

BY ERIN ROSENKING Statesman Editor

Although libraries and the books within them are often regarded as the basis of much of education, technological innovations have recently made getting access to information as simple as clicking a mouse. The spread of the internet has allowed people to replace turning pages with scrolling down on screens to provide information on every topic imaginable. Searches no longer include looking up call numbers and roaming among shelves but typing key words into designated fields.

However, in spite of the ease of accessing



Filstrup said that he does not think book stacks will decrease for humanities oriented studies.

information computers have provided, libraries have seemed to remain a central feature of academic life. But as events at Purdue University in Indiana indicate, in the very near future, libraries may not be considered as central to higher education as they once were.

An article in The Chronicle of Higher Education recently reported that two academic units at that university are involved in a dispute over their book stacks. One side states that access to electronic as opposed to print resources are of paramount importance in modern education and they are advocating for a cut back on the space occupied by the book stacks. The opposing side contends that printed works are still necessary and important in modern scholarship.

Sparked by renovations plans, the article stated that the players in the dispute include the Krannert Graduate School of Management which houses the University's Management and Economics Library, against the department of agricultural economics which shares the economics library. A committee was formed to suggest ways in which the library could be reduced to one floor. Purdue's dean of libraries Emily R. Mobley, said that it was an issue of space. "You have to ask yourselves, do we need all the real estate we have?" she asked.

Although the committee recommended reducing the stacks, they intended on having those removed materials available elsewhere as retrievable hard copies in addition to being electronically available.

Looming large in the middle of campus, the Melville Library here at Stony Brook is a central feature of the campus. Housing a vast collection of two million bound volumes as well as Senator Jacob Javitz's collection of public papers and memorobilia and the William Butler Yeats microfilmed works, the Melville collection is among the largest in the nation. Could digitization of these stacks be in Stony Brook's future as well?

Christian Filstrup, dean and director of the

campus libraries, admitted that electronic content on a web server is highly searchable and easily accessible to many people from anywhere, at any time. However, he pointed out that one technology rarely replaces another. "A library such as Stony Brook has a lot of print on the shelves," Filstrup said. "The economics of digitiziation makes it unlikely that many of these volumes will be converted to an electronic format." Filstrup pointed out that if the library did the digitizing, costs could run up to \$1000 per volume. "For this we would need a Pentagonlike budget," he said.

Filstrup also said that there is some kind of literature that is more appropriate to electronic distribution than others. "Scientists expect fast dissemination of research findings. For them, electronic is the way to go," he said. He added that humanities and social sciences oriented people are not so much concerned with speed but with archiving the historical record. Filstrup also touched on the point that although the library has the capability to preserve print on paper, preservation of digital media is more unknown.. "We don't really know how to preserve digital content because the content is intimately tied to the search software," he said. "The federal government has millions of electronic files it can no longer access because the old search software does not run on current computers."

However, Filstrup maintained that growth in the stacks of science related material will eventually slow to the degree that print is not available. According to Filstrup, this will not be the case with humanities related literature. "Print will continue to be the normal mode of distribution for the near future [for humanities]," said Filstrup. But it will be up to the public to \$\frac{1}{5}\$ decide what happens in the future. "It is entirely  $\bigcirc$ possible that within a decade reading applainces \$ will be as lightweight as paper back books and it will be possible to download a large number of texts," said Filstrup. "As this happens, we will have to see whether the public will accept this 2 new mode of reading."

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# Stony Brook Professor Predicts Gore Victory in November

By Adam Zimmerman Statesman Staff

Since officially accepting the Democratic Party's nomination for the presidency, vice president Al Gore has caught up with Texas Governor George W. Bush in the polls, and the two have been running neck and neck ever since. The 2000 presidential election is shaping up to be one of the closest on record, as neither candidate has been able to pull ahead. In fact, most political experts believe the race will come down to Election Day itself, when millions of undecided voters in the key Midwestern swing states cast their ballots.

However, there are those who believe that the election has already been decided, and has been for some time. Count USB political science professor Helmut Norpoth in this group.

At the recently held annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Norpoth was one of seven distinguished political science professors who all forecast a Gore victory on November 7. With each using different factors to reach this conclusion, all seven presented statistical models predicting Gore's win. Gore's share of the vote ranged from a low of 52.8 percent to a high of 60.3 percent. Norpoth predicted Gore's share would be 55percent.

"My personal predictor is how strong the incumbent party's candidate performs in the primary elections", he said. "In this case, the incumbent party in the White House in the Democratic party, so I looked carefully at Gore's performance in the primaries."

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Professor Norpoth pointed to Gore's undefeated record in the Democratic primaries as proof. Gore's chief rival, former New Jersey senator Bill Bradley, was not able to win any of the state contests, evidence of Gore's strength. Norpoth believes this to be a precursor of the November election, and looks to past presidential elections for verification.

"If we look at every presidential election held since 1912, my method of predicting the election outcome based on the incumbent party's candidate performance has worked every time except for 1960, when John F. Kennedy defeated the incumbent vice president Richard Nixon," Norpoth said.

Norpoth also pointed to modern examples to validate his theory. "In the 1992 republican party primaries, for example, incumbent president George Bush won the New Hampshire primary, but only after surviving a tough test from Pat Buchanan", he said. "Bush faced heavy



Although he only recently caught up with Bush in the polls, political scientists are predicting a Gore victory in the

competition in the other primaries as well, and Bill Clinton won the election. Gore, by contrast, performed very well in New Hampshire."

Norpoth also discussed some of the other methods employed by the other political scientists, but commented that their models do not have as much historical confirmation as his. "Some of my other colleagues use such factors as the strength of the economy, the approval rating of the incumbent president, and personal finance indexes", he said. "However, most of the models only go back to the 1948 election, rather than 1912."

None of the professors incorporated the third party candidates of the 2000 campaign in their models. Norpoth felt that including names such as Pat Buchanan and Ralph Nader would not be prudent, due to their unstable support.

"It would be extremely difficult to factor in third-party candidates," he said. "We all used the same two-party standard in our election examinations, since third party candidates do not carry much significance."

While all seven professors predicted a Gore victory over Bush, Norpoth stressed that the predictions do not necessarily reflect the political sentiments or views held by each individual. Personal views often collide with the scientific

"While we all predict Gore will win, not all of my colleagues will be voting for Gore," he said. "Several of us are Republicans, but personal feelings have to be kept aside when dealing with political science."

The seven predictions presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association all predicted a Gore victory over Bush. All of the projections predicted a win by over half the votes.

James Campbell, University of Buffalo: Gore 52.8 percent

Brad Lockerbie, University of Georgia, Gore 52.9 percent

Alan Abramowitz, Emory University. Gore 53.2 percent

Helmut Norpoth, Stony Brook, Gore 55 percent

Christopher Wlezien, University of Houston, Gore 55.2 percent

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Michael Lewis-Beck, University of Iowa, Gore 55, 4 percent

Thomas Holbrook, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Gore 60.3 percent

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# Stacking It Up in Favor of Books

What would life be like to to go. never set foot in a library again? To never have to fumble through your wallet for your library card. To never worry about the book you need being already checked out. To never have to pay another over due fine.

This library paradise may not be too far distant into the future. In literal virtual reality, internet web sites could actually replace the real thing with the full texts of books available either on line or through other electronic mediums.

The library at Purdue University has recently formed a committee to deal with space issues in their library stacks. Quite surprisingly, the group recommended actually shaving away some of the stacks' holdings to cut down on space constraints. One proponent of the plan made the comment that all the research he needed to do was as close as his desk. While Purdue's pro-digitized people did say that they would be available both electronically and in hard copy form, it is hard to imagine that books of all things would be the first

And they probably should not be. Technology is great but can reading the text off of a Mark Twain web site take the place of settling down to turn the pages yourself rather than scrolling down with a mouse?

Maybe the text would not

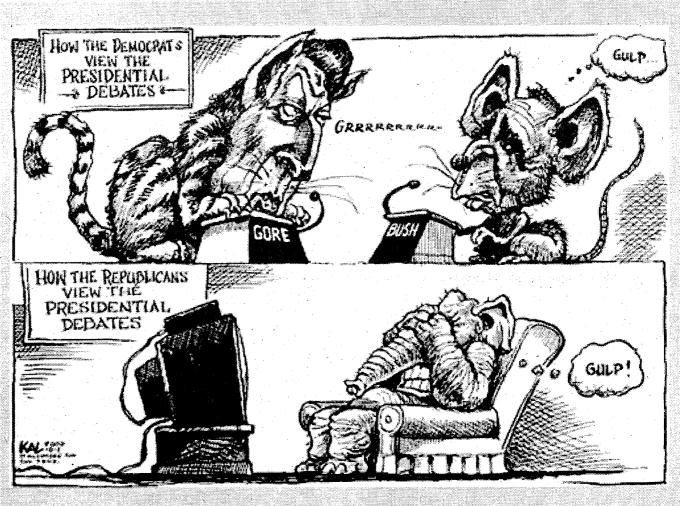
"Golden edges, leather covers, calligraphy and script writing may not change the plot at all but they do add to the story."

have to change but what about the charm? In our own book stacks, books dating back centuries can be not only found but checked out. Golden edges, leather covers, calligraphy and script writing may not change the plot at all but they do add to the story. Even those bound volumes of magazines such as issues of Time from decades ago should not be digitized lest we lose a

piece of Americanca. Where else will you find an advertisement for a station wagon as a luxury family vehicle? That is part of our culture and heritage. As convenient as it is, the internet cannot replace that.

But as any book lover or librarian would tell you, we just can't look at the pictures. Besides visuals what sort of implications would cutting away the stacks have for people doing historical research? And could digitizing everything be limiting access to information to only those that can afford higher technology? Don't forget, checking books out of the library is free, provided they are returned on time.

But what would life be like here at Stony Brook with a little less stacks in our lives? They may be dusty, the temperature rarely hovers above freezing and those second and fourth floors might be creepy but it is one of the few things that give this campus a little bit of character. Not to mention the options if certain books do become digitized. Imagine having to go to the SINC site to read a book?



Courtesy of www.politicalcartoons.com

# A New Tribe Emerges

# USB Gets a Native American Culture Club and Welcomes People from All **Nationalities**

By CHRIS LATHAM Statesman Staff

In a distant past that has gone down in history, the Shinnecock and the Montaukett roamed this land. As did the Sioux, and the Pinnecoose, and the Seneca, and the Cricket Shields. These are the names of the indigenous peoples of America. After a long exile, they are returning, in the form of Stony Brook's new Native American Culture Club.

Without so much as an executive board, an official advisor, or even the required number of signatures needed to make an official club, the group held its first meeting last Tuesday, September 26, in the Peace Center of the Old Chemistry Building.

Colleen Wallahora, assistant to the chair of women's studies, and organizer of the ad hoc session, began by introducing herself and her desire to help institute a lasting club dedicated to promoting the heritage of America's first people.

"This meeting is about deciding how best to proceed with getting a Native American Club started here at Stony Brook," said Wallahora. The first order of business was to discuss how to increase the club's membership. Many felt that concepts of ethnicity could strongly influence people's decisions to join.

"The indigenous population on campus, as with most places in America, is very low," said Wallahora. "Initially, the president's office gave me a list with 12 students and 13 faculty who identified themselves as Native American," Wallahora said. "But even that may not be accurate because some people [who filled out the forms] had misconceptions about what Native Americans really are."

Some members suggested that while there are few pure American Indians on campus, there are many students with native lineage who may think that a

Native American Club does not welcome

"I talked to a few people on campus who have Native American blood, but didn't want to come because they're mixed," said undergraduate Alice Agnostini-Mastrocinque, who is Puerto Rican and Taino Indian. "Others didn't want to come because they're not registered," she added, referring to the registration number one must have issued by the US government to be considered a true Native American.

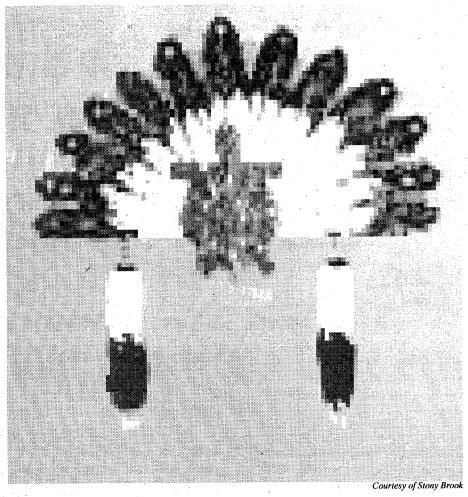
The scarcity of pure natives is reflected by those who were present at the meeting, most of whom identified themselves as something other than strictly native such as African American, Irish Catholic, Puerto Rican, Korean.

But race and ethnicity are irrelevant to membership, according to Wallahora. "This club is open to anyone interested in American Indian culture, as all of us here show," she said.

It was suggested that the group be known as the Native American Culture Club instead of the Native American Club. It was also decided that it should be made clear that the group welcomes everyone - from pure American Indians to those with only native ancestors to those with no native lineage at all.

The next step was to develop activities the club could have during the vear. George Meyer, assistant vice president for presidential initiatives and deputy to President Kenny, as well as members of the Anthropology Society stopped by to offer suggestions. Meyer helped organize last year's Stony Brook Pow Wow, with the cooperation of the Shinnecock and Montaukett Indians on Long Island.

"At first it was just going to be a small pow wow on campus," said Meyer,



The Anthropology Society offered to work with the Native American Club to get them up and running.

"but as our project base grew, we decided to expand it."

The three-day event, which occurred on Father's Day weekend of the summer of 1999, brought together groups from Texas, North Carolina, New York, New Mexico, New Hampshire, Maine and even Ecuador. The vast array that is American Indian culture was showcased through food, music, dance, art, crafts and storytelling.

It was originally planned to raise money for scholarships for Native American students, but so much was spent on making the event a success that enough money was raised for only two scholarships. Although there was a lot of community interest in having another pow wow, there wasn't enough of a financial base.

"We went from 0 - 60 so fast, and for a while after the pow wow there was nothing on campus in the way of Native American culture. It would be great for this club to build nething lasting here," said Meyer. He also stressed the need for people of American Indian descent to come together, saying "We want to have more things like pow wows, but we can't do that without a real Native American group. It's important to let them have something that's their

Possible events the group is considering are a Native American Week spotlighting the different aspects of the culture, a traditional Thanksgiving

Dinner and trips to American Indian reservations.

Stacey Enslow, former president of the Anthropology Society, suggested that the group have workshops addressing social issues concerning tribes. Possible topics include casinos on reservations, the sale of traditional arts and crafts, alcoholism and the overall poverty of most reservations. "This is a great opportunity to really spread Native American culture and perspectives," said Enslow.

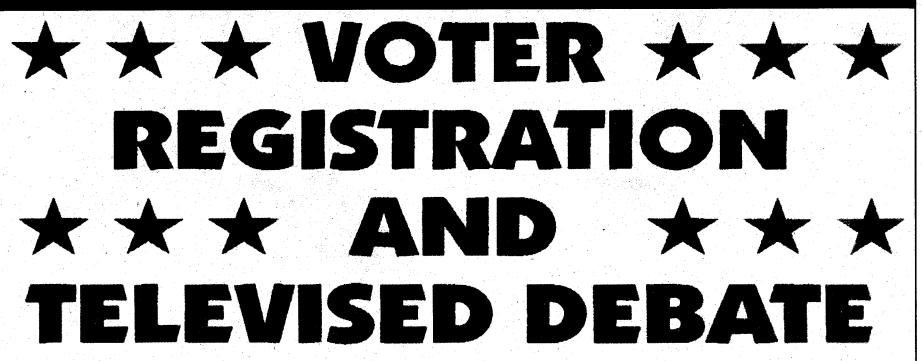
Jennifer Cherry, the new Anthro Society president, extended their aid to the new group. "We're very interested in working with you, and will be around for the next meeting" said Cherry.

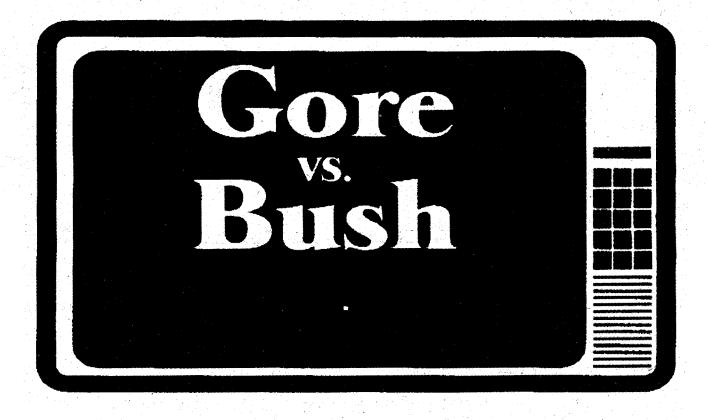
The group is also considering ideas for their regular meetings. Guest speakers, such as professors within the university, or tribal members presenting aspects of their culture, are being pursued. A video series, addressing everything from educational to historical to political perspectives on American Indians, as well as contemporary entertainment films, are also being considered. And of course there will be parties.

"We'd like to have things that everyone can enjoy," said Wallahora. "We're leaving it completely up to the students."

The next Native American Culture 🕏 Club meeting will be Thursday, October 12, 🚡 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Old Chemistry in Building Peace Center. For more information 👱 call Colleen Wallahora at 632-9176, or email her at cwallahora@notes.cc.sunysb.edu.

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### Being Well-Rounded Includes Studying Math

To the editors:

If Adam Zimmerman ("When One Plus One Doesn't Equal Two") had come to the mathematics department with his concerns about calculus requirements and calculus teaching before writing his article, we would have been happy to tell him a number of things.

One of them is that Stony Brook does not have a general and inflexible calculus requirement, contrary to his impression. While engineers and other science majors are typically required to take calculus (and further math courses) by their departments, a history major for example is only required to satisfy a one-semester "DEC category C" requirement, which can be fulfilled by courses in a number of departments. There is our own MAT 118, "Mathematical Thinking", whose aim is to impart to students in non-technical disciplines some idea of the breadth, intellectual scope and applicability of mathematics. One can also consider EST/AMS 194 (Patterns of Problem Solving), PHI 220 and 330 (Symbolic Logic),

and AMS 102 (Elements of Statistics).

Mr. Zimmerman received advice to take MAT 131 because he is in the Honors College, whose policy is to encourage freshmen to take Calculus so that they do not close off their options too early. Overall, we think that the University's requirements in this area are fairly well thought-out and responsive to the needs of different students.

Another thing we might have said is that the Mathematics Department takes considerable pains to maintain good communications between ourselves and our students, as well as among our own staff. Mr. Zimmerman could have come to our Undergraduate Office, which is staffed with faculty members ready to answer questions, at many different times during the week — the schedule is posted in our building and on the web (see "Undergraduate Advising Schedule" http://www.math.sunysb.edu/ undergrads.html). He could have come to his own lecturer's personal office hours, to his TA's

office hours, or to the Mathematics Learning Center, in Physics A-125/127, with any questions or concerns. In large courses like MAT 131, lecturers and teaching assistants usually keep in touch through periodic meetings and email, and lecturers visit the assistants' recitations early in the semester.

We are sorry that Mr. Zimmerman was unhappy with his recitation, and feels that he received incomplete information about his Early Exam; but we believe that these problems are the exception and not the rule. There indeed were technical problems with the web-based practice early exams, and we apologize for those. It is sometimes hard to foresee this kind of problem, but we believe the web-based mechanism is valuable and are continuing to

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develop it. Evening exams, which Mr. Zimmerman finds inconvenient, are also inconvenient for the instructors, but they are the only way that the same exam can be given fairly to the hundreds of students taking calculus in any semester.

The room assignments were not announced in lecture because they were not made until the Thursday before the exam — the Math Department does not make these assignments, nor do we schedule the evening exams (a formidable task which is ably done at a University level).

We would also have been happy to discuss at length the reasons why an educated person may want to take a calculus (or other mathematics) course, even if he is a History or English major and feels the subject is "simply unnecessary". We might have mentioned that calculus, and the mathematics related to it, represent some of humanity's greatest intellectual achievements, or that its formalization of the notions of change, speed, and the infinite are powerful tools that shape human thinking far outside the immediate scope of mathematics. We would have probably claimed that mathematics is hard work, but that it trains the mind for rigorous, logical thinking in much the same way as daily physical exercise trains the body.

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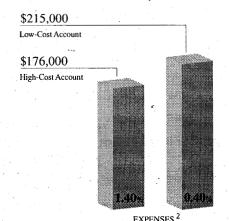
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# Sports Briefs

STONY BROOK WOMEN'S SOCCER REPORT

Seawolves notch overtime win over Lehigh; rout Albany (6-6-1, 2-0 this week)

USB 6, ALBANY 0

STONY BROOK, NY - Kerri McCabe (Farmingville, N.Y.) had one goal and one assist and Krisha Zagura (Hudson, Mass.) collected two assists as Stony Brook defeated Albany, 6-0, at Seawolves Field Saturday afternoon. It was the second straight win for Stony Brook, who outshot the Great Danes, 35-2.

Kristin Lynch (Fairport, N.Y.) was one of six players to get a goal heading in a corner kick in the 21st minute to give the Pack the lead for good. Sarah Greenberg (Franklin Lakes, N.J.) closed out the first half with a shot into the left corner of the net in the 42nd minute. Beth Arikian (West Islip, N.Y.) opened the second half with a score off a free kick and McCabe, Kristin Baker (Federal Way, Wash.) and Jen Fontanetta (Coral Springs, Fla.) tallied second half scores to give the Seawolves the 6-0 win.

Lori Nelson (Phoenix, Ariz.) made one save to earn the shutout.

The Seawolves host Quinnipiac on October 11 at 4:00.

USB 1, LEHIGH 0

BETHLEHEM, Pa. — Junior Kerri McCabe scored the gamewinner 1:26 into overtime as the women's soccer team (5-6-1) defeated Lehigh 1-0 on Wednesday afternoon.

Lehigh (4-5-1) had several opportunities throughout the game but could not capitalize. Stony Brook goalkeeper Lori Nelson, making her first start of the season, stopped a penalty kick in the 67th minute to keep the Mountainhawks scoreless. Lehigh got another excellent chance to score with 2:30 remaining. But defender Kristin Lynch kicked the potential gamewinner off the goal line and the game went into sudden death overtime.

McCabe scored her seventh goal of the season off a cross from freshman Sarah Greenberg to give Stony Brook the win and end the Seawolves' two-game losing streak.

STONY BROOK MEN'S SOCCER REPORT

Seawolves suffer first loss against Oneonta (6-1, 0-1 this week)

ONEONTA 2, USB 0

STONY BROOK, N.Y. — The 23rd-ranked Stony Brook men's soccer team (6-1, 1-1 Atlantic Soccer Conference), suffered its first loss of the season against Oneonta on Saturday, as the Red Dragons (6-3-1, 1-2 ASC) shut out the Seawolves 2-0.

Stony Brook controlled the tempo throughout the first half, outshooting Oneonta 10-4, but the Seawolves were unable to score in a hard-fought first stanza. In the first 45 minutes alone, the Red Dragons were whistled for 18 fouls and three yellow cards.

But it was Oneonta taking

control in the second half, as Joma Burton connected on an eight-yard shot only two minutes in. The Red Dragons dominated throughout the half and expanded their lead to 2-0 when Ryan Rummery netted a penalty kick in the 64th minute. The Seawolves got off six shots but were unable to capitalize.

USB's Dan Ferrin (Grosse Pointe, Mich.) and Oneonta's James Riley each registered six saves in the game.

The Seawolves will try to get back on the winning track on Wednesday when they travel to Northeastern.

STONY BROOK VOLLEYBALL REPORT

Seawolves snap losing streak, win two straight (5-10, 2-1 this week)

USB 3, ALBANY 0 USB 3, LIU-BROOKLYN 1

BROOKLYN, N.Y. — The Stony Brook Seawolves won back-to-back matches for the first time this season and snapped a four-match losing streak in defeating Albany and LIU-Brooklyn Saturday at the LIU Inivtaional. The Seawolves downed Albany, 15-3, 15-4, 15-4 and handled LIU-Brooklyn in the tournament capper, 15-10, 10-15, 15-6, 15-8.

Katie McCabe (Bethpage, N.Y.) had 10 kills against Albany and Rachel Goldsmith (Aurora, Ill.) had 4 kills and 12 digs. Cynthia Orengo (Woodside, N.Y.) was the story against LIU-Brooklyn, registering a school record 13 blocks (six solo,

seven assisted). Orengo held the previous mark of 12 set earlier this season against St. Francis. She also added 13 kills in the win.

Overall it was an outstanding weekend for Stony Brook, who lost in a 3-2 heartbreaker to Penn on Friday night. Stony Brook jumped out early, taking a 6-0 lead en route to a 15-8 win in game one. Penn led from the outset in game two, building an 11-2 lead and took the game, 15-8.

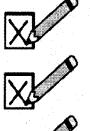
Susanne Westing (Bellmore, N.Y.) put together a string of three service aces to start game three, helping the Seawolves build an 8-1 advantage. However, Penn stormed back and tied the game at 11-11 before the Seawolves closed out the game with solid offense to get the 15-13 win.

With the teams tied at 5-5 in game four, Penn jumped out to a 14-8 lead and looked like they would force game five with ease. However, Stony Brook tied the game at 14-14 and took a 16-15 lead holding serve. Penn forced the sideout and went on to score the last three points of the game to force the pivotal game five.

Penn never trailed in game five, winning 15-11.

As a team, the Seawolves collected 124 digs - a school record. Goldsmith broke the record of 30 digs set by Susanne Westing set earlier this season as she recorded 38. Goldsmith registered the doubledouble as she added 16 kills. Westing had 22 digs in the match and also had seven service aces.

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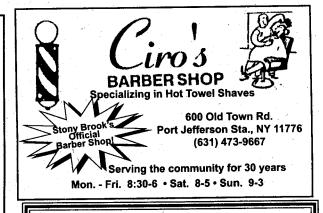
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# DMV Comes to Campus

By Ferron Ffrench Statesman Staff

Time is something that the average student cannot spare but with one initiative of the Student Union and Activities board, a way to save time has been brought to students and faculty through the on campus conveniences of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Through the dealings between Stony Brook representative, Pat Peiliker and Bonnie Licciardi of the Port Jefferson Station DMV, they were able to agree upon the on location scheduling of the DMV to assist students with any questions or services on campus. "There was a need for student's and faculty to get to the DMV," said Bonnie Licciardi. "But with the lack of transportation you are not able to come to our offices as readily as you are here."

As part of a plan to make life better for students on campus, the Department of Motor Vehicles comes to Stony Brook to provide a number of services from giving information, issuing permits and written tests, non-driver identification cards and more. The readily available staff assists anyone who comes to the SAC lobby, where the DMV sets up in the kiosk there. Even the DMV staff is happy to be on campus. "We asked for volunteers from our offices in Port Jefferson and just about everyone volunteered," said Licciardi. "It's different

as well as your life too.

being out of our offices and it's nice to see many people on campus."

The first two days the DMV premiered on campus was on September 6 and 7 where they took the time to spread information about the services they offer. They have been scheduled for one last visit on October 5 until further notice. "We are not sure when we will be coming back because the specialized equipment is not readily available," Licciardi said. "This mobile equipment is used through the state and is issued to us."

The conveniences of the Department of Motor Vehicles has brought high approval ratings throughout the Stony Brook campus. "I think it's great that it's on campus and readily available," said Sarabeth Santos, a junior. "Since a majority of students don't have cars, they can't go to the DMV off campus." Although not all students drive, some find it necessary to have a car once they get on campus. "Since I work in the city, I've never depended on a car but now that I'm in school the train becomes annoying and can't take me everywhere I need to go," sophomore Inna Veksman said.

A new project that is underway by the Department of Motor Vehicles is the replacement of old license plates for a new updated version. Beginning on January 1 in the year 2001, the DMV will begin

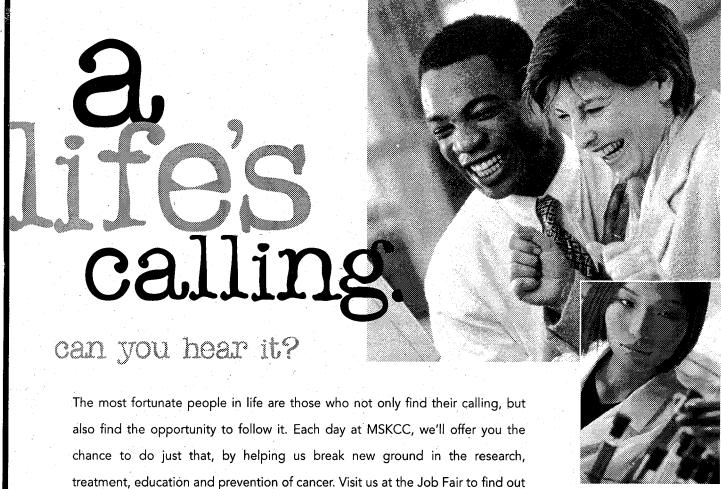


The DMV set up a kiosk in the SAC in an effort to improve campus life.

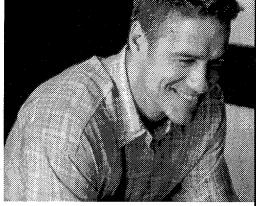
distributing the new plates. "Instead of having the statue of liberty as a representation of New York State, it will show the city as well as upstate," said Licciardi, "This will show both aspects of New York." The new plate will contain more security minded features but will still maintain the basic rules as in the request of having the same license numbers which includes a nominal fee.

The Port Jefferson Station DMV is located close to the campus. However as Licciardi pointed out, most student don't have any knowledge of it. But there were benefits of having them come to campus including the short DMV line on campus, a plus to many students. "The short wait time and line to be served is very convenient, Veksman said.

Along with the demand for individual transportation, the issue of the amount of time saved is a large concern for many students and faculty. "I never have time to take care of the things I need from the DMV," said senior Melissa Marte. "Since I'm on campus it's easier for me to come to the SAC than to wait until I go back home to the DMV."



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### Problems Don't Stop the Women of the Rugby Team

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purchased new goal posts. Mahar also said that as the team grows, more officers are becoming visible on campus and in the offices, which is allowing them to be taken more seriously.

As for the game itself, the team admitted to the stereotype that it is violent. "You get black and blues, and the same soreness you get from playing other games, but nothing major," said Aligazikais. Mahar noted that the majority of injuries are the result of inexperience. They team agreed that part of the appeal of the sport is its tough reputation. The posters they have put up to entice people to play advertise to "give blood, play rugby." One posters calls the sport "elegant violence," alluding to the women that play. "You could break more than a nail," said Badura.

As the team gets bigger each year, the team has the cannoe to go varsity but they cannot provide the proof necessary to show that there are other teams they can play in the tri-state area. They are not in NCAA Division 1 because there are simply not enough teams for it right now. "Once the ball starts rolling others will join in."

In the meantime, although there competitive season is drawing to a close this week, the team

The posters they have put up to entice people to play advertise to "give blood, play rugby."

is always looking to recruit new players. They stressed that no experience is necessary and that women of all shapes and sizes are welcome. Badura said that the team is perfect for someone who loves sports and was never on a team. "We are not as demanding as a varsity sport, there are no try outs and we don't get mad if someone has to go to class." They said that joining the team is as easy as showing up to any of their practices which take place Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 3:30-5:30 at South P and the upper level of the sports complex on Mondays. "We are always excited to see new people," said Mahar. "All you have to do is show up."

The women's rugby team is playing their last game of the season against Princeton at South P this Sunday at noon.

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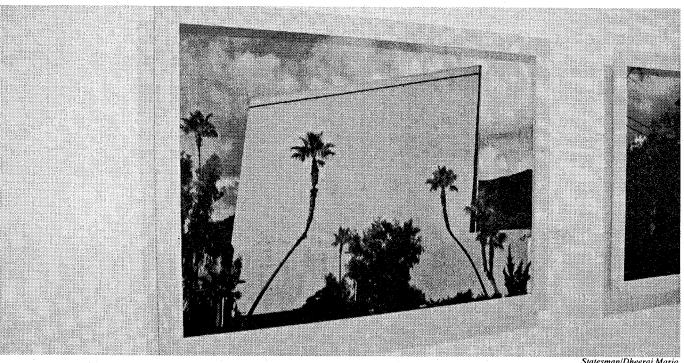


# Looking Back on America

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in,"which was taken in 1984 is a picture of a chalky blue drive-in theater, with the shutters down, which Thompson flattened out a lot and ends up looking like a two dimensional pattern. Palm trees around the theater create interesting shapes since they are slanted from their base. The nature in the background also contrasts the sharp man-made shapes of the theaters, showing us how much industrialization has caused the country to change. In "Azusa Hills Drive-in," as in most of Thompson's work that are not portraits, there are no people. "He is recreating historical things,"said Cooper, nobody's there and the theaters seemed to be unused, it is history that's fading

Like the drive-in series the carnival scenes portray a dying breed of American culture. Now days people go to Great Adventure and other theme parks for gravity defying rollercosters than smaller less hi-tech carnivals. Also like the drivein series, there are no or seldomly any people in the carnival series, when in actuality there are usually 1,000 of people that used to attend. "They have an ironic sadness,"said Cooper, "even with people in the picture the place still looks deserted.



Several pictures that followed the carnivals had the same ironic air of loneliness, like "Day After Halloween," which shows an almost empty pumpkin patch and "Oil and Steel Gallery," in which two empty chairs in an art gallery are placed by a window.

In "Pool Marriott Hotel", a woman

swimmer is standing with her back towards us. She is also in the right hand side of the picture almost in the dark. The focal point of the photograph is the water, which the sun shines on, hi-lighting the waves. There is a lot of texture and one can see the exact lines in the waves said Cooper. This picture was done with

digital photography on an expensive Iris printer. As one of Thompsom's final few photographs of the exhibition "Pool Marriott Hotel" follows the theme of the exhibition, showing that although new expensive equipment was used the feelings of solitude and changing times remains.





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# Students for a Free Tibet

## Student Led Organization Leading the Fight in Independence for a Country

ERIN ROSENKING Statesman Editor

As a daily battle for political, economic and social freedom rages in the lands between China and India, the Tibetans that live there may find that students on this side of the world might be their biggest

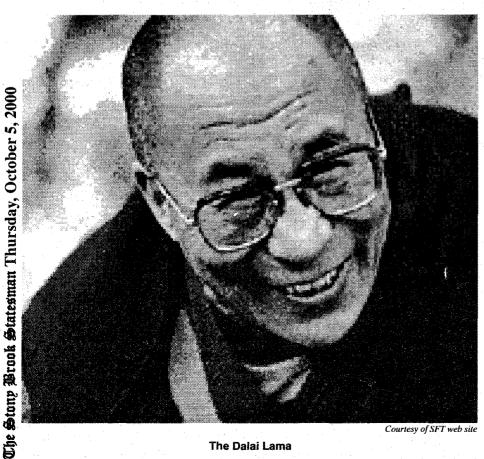
Students for a Free Tibet is an organization started in 1994 whose purpose is to educate people on the situation in Tibet from the hands of the Chinese government which has occupied the area since 1950. With this education comes efforts to mobilize the awareness into action through non-violent campaigns that are headed up by student-led groups. According to John Hocevar, of speech, religion and press are Students for a Free Tibet's executive director, these campaigns can include anything from benefit concerts, movie showings, lectures, letter writing campaigns and protest marches.

Hocevar said that his organization's main tactic in bringing justice to the Tibetan people revolves around building grassroots pressure. "We work on putting pressure on people that can make a change," Hocevar said, pointing out that SFT was instrumental in blocking a World Bank project which sought to move some 60,000 Chinese into Tibet, a

move that Hocevar characterized as "unacceptable." Known as a population transfer, these people were to be moved to alleviate population pressure from within China. "China moves millions into Tibet and it is a form of genocide," Hocevar said. "The Tibetans are a minority in their own country." According to Hocevar and SFT, this is a situation that can eventually lead to the total eradication of Tibetan culture.

addition In to being outnumbered, SFT alleges that Tibetans are the victims of human and other rights abuses suffered at the hands of the Chinese. Freedom non-existent in Tibet as an extension of Chinese rule. Tibetan women are reported to undergo forced sterilization and abortion and the environment of Tibet has become China's garbage dump for nuclear waste. According to SFT, Tibet's most sacred lake is in the process of being drained to make way for a Chinese hydroelectric plant. Possibly the worst abuse of all stems from the exile of the Dalai Lama, Tibet's spiritual and political leader, who resides in India along with other Tibetan leaders to escape

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The Dalai Lama

Students for a Free Tibet claims that there are over 700 political prisoners in Tibet. The Dalai Lama is currently in exile in India to avoid imprisonment. Below is a list of some of the prisoners.



Gedhun Choekyi Nyima the 11th Panchen Lama, has been in custody since he was six years old. Now ten he is probably the youngest political prisoner in the world. As the Panchen Lama he is second only to the Dalai Lama as a religious leader.



Chadrel Pinpoche was the leader of the search party who found the reincarnation of the previous Panchen Lama. He has been sentenced to six years imprisonment for the "crime of splitting the country."



Ngawang Choephel grew up in exile and was educated further as a Fullbright Scholar studying ethnomusicology at Middlebury College in Vermont. He was arrested in Tibet in 1995 when he visited the country to make an unauthorized film about traditional Tibetan folk music.



Ngawang Sangdrol is a 21 year old Tibetan nun who is serving an 18 year sentence. Her sentence was extended for political activities she participated in while in prison including shouting "Free Tibet," refusing to stand up for a prison official and making a tape recording of songs about independence and the Dalai Lama.



Gyalsten Drolkar and Gyalsten Choezom were also part of the group of 14 nuns in Drapchi prison who made the audio tape of independence songs. They received additional sentences of eight and five years respectively.



Tanak Jigme Zangpo is a 72 year old political prisoner. He was first arrested for "corrupting the minds of children with revolutionary ideas" as a teacher in a primary school. He was rearrested for putting up proindependence posters in Lhasa, Tibet's capital, and received an additional eight years for shouting slogans during a visit by a Swiss delegation to Drapchi prison. If he is released when his sentence runs out in 2011, he will have served a total of 41 years in prison.

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# The Struggle for Freedom

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persecution. Besides the Dalai Lama, other Tibetans are being held as political prisoners by Chinese officials.

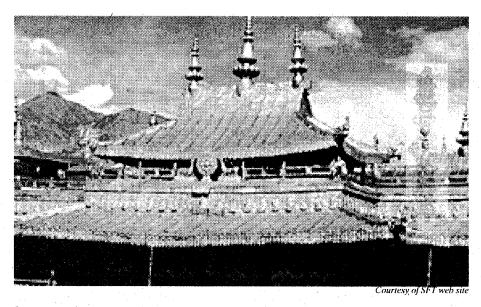
But Hocevar is confident that the situation can be turned around by the efforts of the students involved in SFT. "Students are really active and they tend to have a strong commitment to social change," he said. "They tend to be idealistic and they mostly always end up working really hard."

But they have a strong battle ahead. Hocevar said that Tibet is currently experiencing the worst crack down in years. "The Chinese are conducting house to house searches for pictures of the Dalai Lama, even incense burners," Hocevar said. He went on to say that these confiscated items are then thrown into rivers and bonfires and in some cases, owners of the items are tortured.

Hocevar blames institutions such as the United Nations and countries such as the United States for perpetuating these situations. With China recently granted permanent most favored nation status, Hocevar said it is clear where the interest of

the U.S. lie. "All that matters is business," he said, noting that oil and natural gas have recently been discovered in Tibet. "There is a lot of fear in the Chinese government right now," Hocevar said. "They want to squash any uprising that might show up in Tibet, otherwise business won't come in. They won't go where it looks unstable," he said. Although Tibet finds strong support in Congress, the U.S. has only one policy towards China and that revolves solely around business.

But the actions of the U.S. government have not slowed down the efforts of SFT. With over 400 chapters already up and running at universities around the world, Hocevar said that an average of three new schools register a day. "Students are willing to get involved," Hocevar said. "SFT is a good indicator that students are not as apathetic as Time magazine would want you to believe." Hocevar explained how groups can start their own chapters by signing a registration form and submitting a \$50 fee that is waived if the group

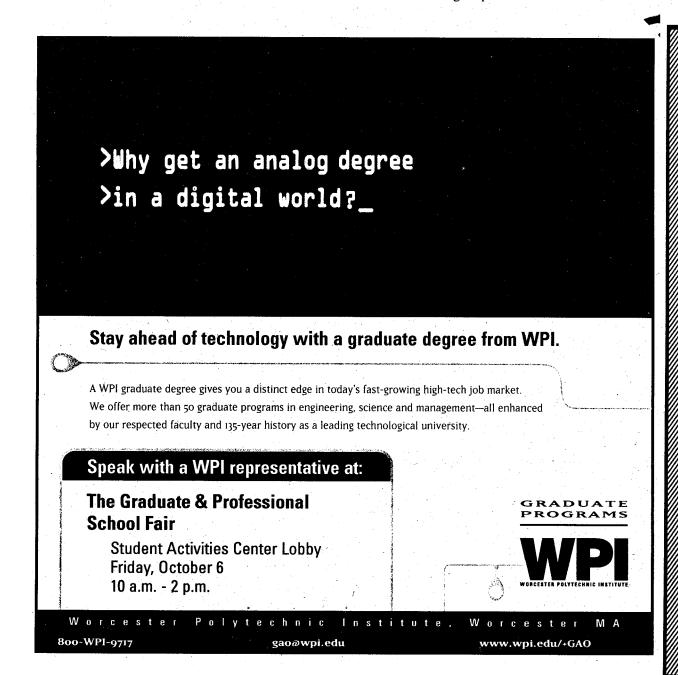


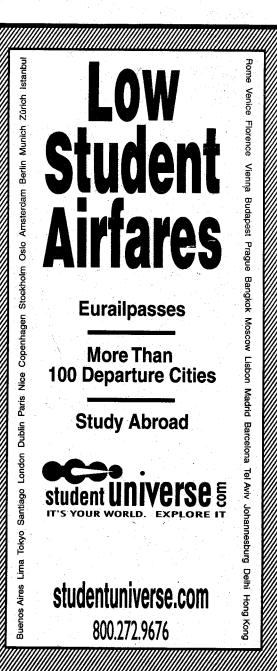
Since the occupation of Tibet by China since 1950, more than 6000 monasteries, like this one above, have been destroyed.

has a difficult time paying. "We are here to help the groups get organized and get in touch with chapters in their area," he said.

Although the support of college friendly celebrities such as Richard Gere, Adam Yauch of the Beastie Boys and Steven Segal may help to make the cause more attractive to students in general, Hocevar does not think that students are simply

jumping on celebrity-led bandwagons when they get involved. "Lots of people that get involved heard about it through celbriites," Hocevar said. "But I don't really care how they found out." Hocevar said that you have to believe in the cause you do to be involved in it. "Staying involved has to do with the power of truth," he said. "It's about people interested in justice."





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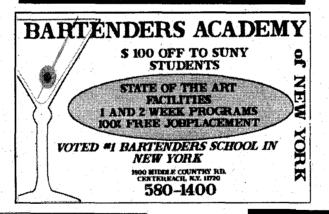
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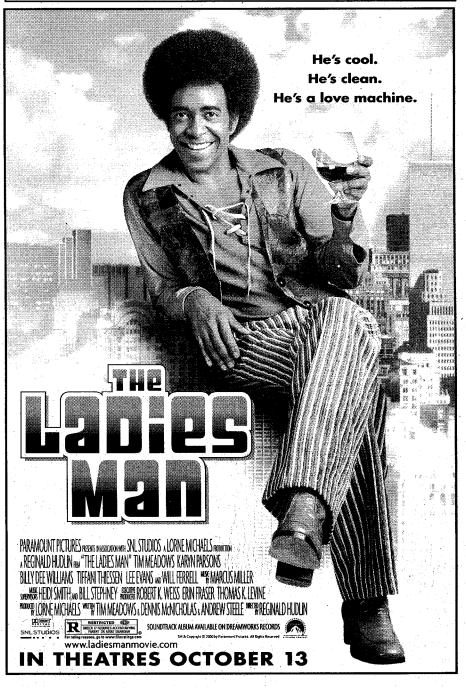
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# "Elegant Violence"

# Women's Rugby Team Stands Up to the Competition

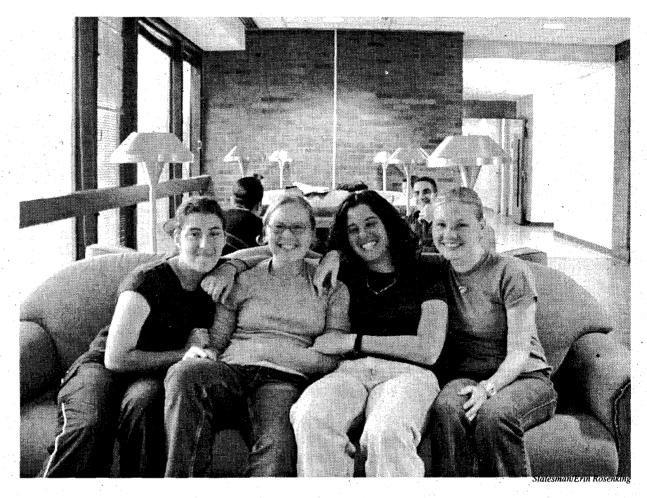
BY ERIN ROSENKING Statesman Editor

While the athletics department devotes its attention to the teams that play on the fields behind the gym, other athletes are bringing their skills to the turf on the other side of campus on the South P lot fields, where both the men's and women's rugby games are played.

Rugby, which combines soccer and football, has been on campus for close to 25 years when the men's team made their campus debut. The women joined in the 1980's forming their own league. While rugby had always had a place on the fields behind the gym, the construction of the stadium has displaced the players to South P. "We were displaced by the varsity teams," said Susan Badura, rugby secretary. "They take precedence."

The move to the other side of campus has not been an easy one for the players. Poison oak grows in spots and because it is a half hour walk from the core of the campus, team members find it inconvenient to get to. "Just getting to South P is hard," said Ginessa Mahar, rugby's vice president. "For people that have to go to class or work it is a pain," she said. "It takes about a half hour to get down there." In addition to making it harder for the team members to get down there, the team has noticed that it has effected spectators as well. "People don't just walk by," said Badura. "You wouldn't even know we were there."

As hard as it is for the team to play there, the situation is no easier for the non-campus residents that live across the field on Stony Brook road. Rugby president Christina



Members of the women's rugby team include (from left) Maria Cioce, treasurer, Mahar, vice president, Aligizakis, president and Badura, secretary.

Aligizakis explained that every weekend, residents complain to University Police about the cars parked along the road and the noise the games generate. "The neighbors are not supportive," Aligizakis said.

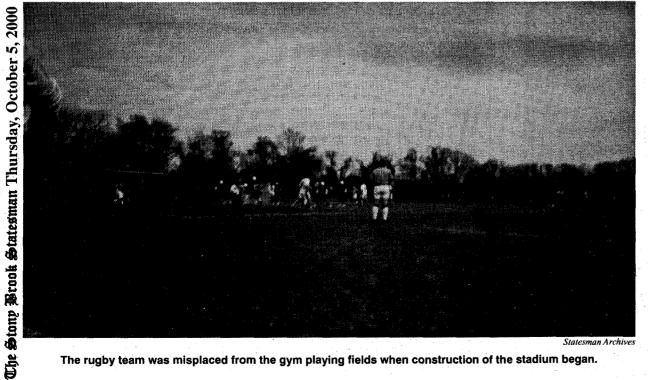
Unsupportive campus staff has also posed

problems for the team. Grounds crews have not been helpful in preparing the fields and they have recently refused to erect the new goal posts the team just bought. "We have to do everything ourselves," said Aligizakis, noting that the season is almost over and the posts are still not up.

In addition to finding adequate playing fields, the team has had issues with the campus bookstore turning down their requests to sell rugby related merchandise such as caps and t shirts. In the past, Polity has refused to pay for gear that would say "Stony Brook Rugby" because the team is not a recognized sport. "They say that people won't buy it," said Mahar. The team pointed out that stops like these have made it hard for people to join the team. "There is only so many posters you can put up to get people interested," Mahar said.

Their status as a club and not a team accounts for some of the opposition the team faces. While in past years they have fallen under the jurisdiction of Polity, this year they are under Campus Recreation. Like the crew team, rugby's funding is dependent on student activity money.

In spite of their troubles, the team admitted that things are getting better. Badura pointed out that the funding is adequate and is how the team



The rugby team was misplaced from the gym playing fields when construction of the stadium began.

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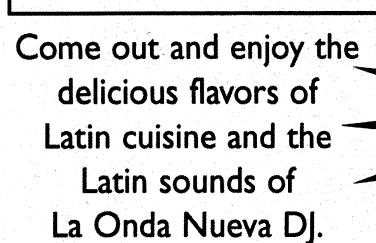
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# Art in Retrospect

USB Artist Displays **Photos** from 1969 to 2000

By Tina Chadha Statesman Editor

From Tuesday, September 12 through Saturday, October 21, fiftyseven photographs, six silk-screens, and four short experimental films by Long Island artist Thom Thompson will be exhibited in the University Art Gallery in the Staller Center. The name Thompson might be familiar to Stony Brook students especially those involved in photography sine Thompson is a former Instructional Specialist and Adjunct Lecturer in the University's Department of Art. Just this past summer Thompson retired in order to concentrate on photography and art full time.

According to Rhonda Cooper, Director Of the Art Gallery, it's a tradition that faculty members get a one person show when they retire. "He taught here for approximately 20 years,"said Cooper, "and I've know him for 17 years so it wasn't hard to contact him for the show."

The exhibition which is called "Retro' is a selection of his works from 1969 to 2000. His early works include six 16 mm experimental films and six silk-screens including. Silk-screening is a method of printmaking that is based on stencil technique. The artist starts with



**Series of Drive-in Movie Theaters** 

a photograph then uses the photo to make a stencil, which is make of silk, and finally prints with the stencil. The 30 years of Thompson's photographic images are grouped by categories some of which includes tugboats, drive-in movie theaters, carnivals, landscapes, and "anti-portraits."

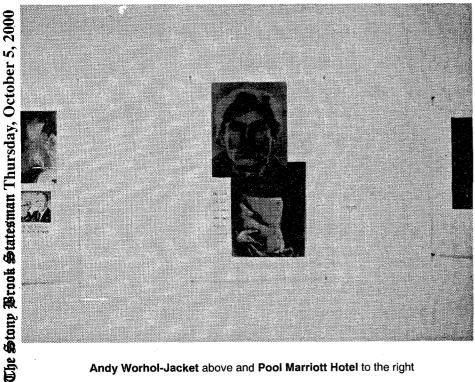
In his work Thompson displays some of the changes America has gone through the decades. His pictures focus in on the current events and cultural icons of a particular era, that are now obsolete to remind us of what once was. The first picture of the exhibition, "Fight PovertySell Shoes" which was done in 1979, displays a flashy sixties car in which the license plate reads "help fight povertywork" and on the bottom is a picture of a woman with a bee hive, explaining to her friend that besides working in the beauty parlor she now sells shoes. Thomson message might be that although America is a big wealthy industrialized country, poverty does exist and you have to do something to get out of it. This notion of selling shoes is carried two painting down to "Andy Warhol's Part-time Job", in which the 70's unconforming icon, who was rumored to have worked in a shoe store, is shown in a shirt and tie helping customers with shoes. Again Thompson's message might be we all

have to start somewhere and that work is essential.

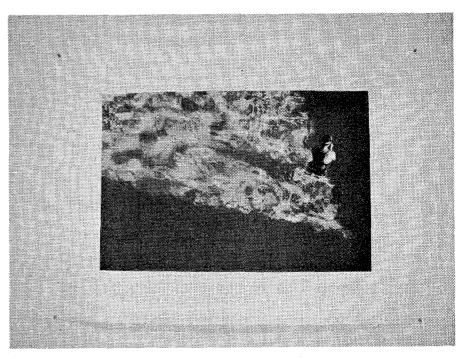
The next series of photographs were of tugboats, some of the pictures were of the whole boat while others focused on specific parts and small details, making it hard for the viewer to tell it is actually a tugboat they are looking at. "He focuses on different parts of boats so you can get an abstract image," said Cooper, "Its important to look at it for shape and color than just the object."

In order to show today's generation a sense of what the 1950s and 60s were like Thompson portrays a series of drivein movie theaters. "Azusa Hills Drive-

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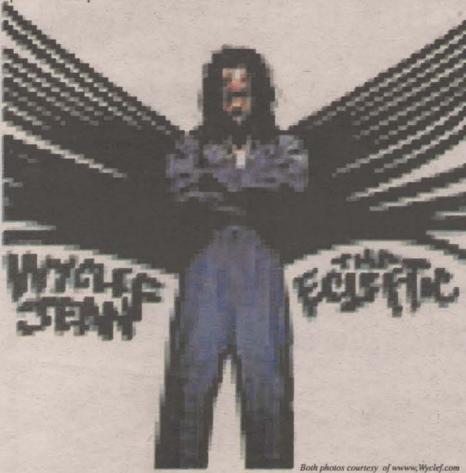
By TINA CHADHA

Statesman Editor

Three years after his solo debut album, Wyclef Jean Presents The Carnival, the Grammy-winning producer and songwriter is back with his sophomore album, The Ecleftic-2 Sides II A Book. Like The Carnival and as the title suggest, The Ecleftic has an eclectic range of beats and sounds that is perfect for today's melting pot generation. The album, produced mainly by Jean and Jerry Wonder has something for everyone, from classic rock and ska, dirty south and country to soul and rap to reggae and back to hip-hop, uniting different forms of music and culture. In spite of its unique blend of a little bit of

everything, Wyclef insists that no matter what he experiments with, he is a hiphop artist in the end.

And hip-hop does rage through the opening, tension-filled track "Where The Fugees At," where Wyclef addresses his formr Fugee band members about a possible reunion. "Lauren if you're listening, Praz if you're listening, give me a call, I'm in the lab in the Booga Basement." His lyrics suggest that the break up of the innovative group may not have been an amicable one. The song goes on to say, "How quick y'all forget/I'm the reason y'all MC/But y'all flip like Pharisees and charge me for blasphemy."



Wyclef Jean's sophomore album cover.

The next track country, which is currently breaking into the pop world with acts such as Shania Twain and The Dixie Chicks, meets rap. Wyclef combines Kenny Rogers famous song "The Gambler" with Pharoahe Monch. The outcome is something that neither of the two music worlds have ever heard.

Continuing his venture into different sounds, Wyclef explores the dirty south style in "Thug Angels" and ends the song with Haitian music reminiscent of the sound Jean explored on his first album, The Carnival. The song deals with the popular trend of youngsters glorifying the so-called thug lifestyle.

Social consciousness comes through in another song, "It Doesn't Matter," in which Wyclef tries to convince his audience that money isn't everything. The song samples Bad Manner's 1980's hit "This is Ska," and features the wrestling superstar The Rock. With the help of the Rock's popular phrase 'it doesn't matter,' Wyclef points out that materialist items are not what is important. "I got 50 Bentley's in the West Indies, it doesn't matter." The catchy phrase and beat combine together to make a commercial hit that is currently getting air time on both the radio and MTV.

As the album progresses, Wyclef goes on to battle more serious topics. One of the more controversial tracks is "Diallo" which features Senegalese singer Youssou N'Dour. In this song, Wyclef addresses the killing of Amadou Diallo, the West African immigrant who was shot forty-one times by New York Police officers in 1999.

Being struck by love is also a topic that arises on the album. The Carnival had "Gone till November"



Wyclef on Tour in Europe

and now the Ecleftic has "911," a duet with Mary J. Blige dealing with heartbreak. Exactly who Wyclef is singing about is unknown, but many speculations have been made that it might refer to Lauren Hill. Just recently Wyclef admitted on New York radio station Hot 97 that the two Fugees members had been together as a couple in addition to band mates, and that they did not separate on good terms. Wyclef said that they had not talked in at least a year.

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Another alliance Wyclef is no longer with is his former protégé Canibus, who he attacks on "However You Want It." This also makes for an interesting hip-hop rivalry with fans waiting for Canibus answer.

Switching gears is the "Wish You Were Here," originally by Pink Floyd. Wyclef remade this song to show that its OK to like different types of music and even a kid from the projects can appreciate and relate to old fashioned rock n' roll. With this album, Wyclef reasserts himself as a musian, prroducer, artist and entertainer who has experties in hip-hop and more.