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Although only for a while, the campus was cloaked with snow on Thursday as the fourth day of classes went uninterrupted.

One man, striving for sustainability on campus

By SEAN CAFFREY-AGOLIA
Contributing Writer

A 6-year-old boy gazed at the television screen one evening in 1971 and watched his uncle speak to a news reporter about explosions that had leveled a couple of houses in Port Washington, N.Y.

Caused by neither terrorism nor a gas leak, but rather an underground accumulation of methane gas from a nearby landfill, the explosions could have been avoided, if only the town

had more closely monitored the landfill, according to his uncle, a prominent community group leader.

Although the 6-year-old didn't entirely understand what was going on, he could see the passion on his uncle's face, and hear it in his words, as he tried to convince politicians that the environment needed more protective regulations.

Thirty-eight years later, Michael Youdelman coughed between sentences, a constant reminder that he was recovering from walking pneumonia. Despite still

feeling weak, Youdelman's voice was filled with enthusiasm, as if he were talking about recycling for the first time.

"I didn't want to be a politician," he said. "I wanted to come up with solutions."

Youdelman is the manager of Recycling and Resource Management at Stony Brook University.

For 11 years, he has supervised the collection of recycled materials at all of Stony Brook's campuses, and tried to educate students, faculty and administrators about the benefits of

recycling. Although it has been over 35 years since he first watched his uncle on the news, Youdelman still emulates his uncle's passion for educating people about their impact on the environment.

He said he continues to channel that passion into increasing the amount of materials that are recycled on the three campuses as well as collaborating with the hospital, despite the fact that his solid waste budget hasn't seen an increase since

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Campus Dining: One Semester Later

By PATRICK JACQUES
Contributing Writer

The grades are in after Lackmann Catering Services first full semester on campus and it goes like this: it won't be mistaken for an Iron Chef, but it's better than the predecessor.

Chartwells, Stony Brook's previous campus food provider, had been plagued with complaints

by the campus community on the quality, high prices and poor variety of food offered. The response from students – mainly those who were around for the previous dining service – is that there has been a stark improvement. Stony Brook, however, has steadily increased its total of undergraduate students in 11 out of the last 13

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As part of President Stanley's commitment to improving the student classroom experience and furthering diversity at Stony Brook, the President's Office is pleased to announce a call for applications for the Presidential Mini-Grant program.

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For application forms and further information, interested faculty and/or department chairs should visit our Web site, www.stonybrook.edu/pres, or contact George Meyer in the President's Office at 632-6270.

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Nominees must demonstrate: ability to incorporate their professional background and experience outside of the classroom into their teaching by connecting students with the world beyond the University setting; ability to generate innovative curriculum or new teaching approaches by incorporating contemporary material from their professional experience; ability to serve as mentor or role model in an area in which the part-time faculty member has extensive nonacademic and/or practical experience.

Nomination packets must be submitted to the President's Office no later than **February 22, 2010**, and should comprise ten copies of each: a letter from the chair of the nominees' department primarily addressing the part-time faculty members' outstanding role in the classroom, as well as evidence of other significant contributions to the department; student course evaluations reflecting the qualifications listed previously, either computer-tabulated or narrative; letters from individual students and colleagues that address evidence of superior teaching and other professional activities.

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Students, faculty, and staff are invited to submit nominations of full-time students or full-time employees to be considered for the Dr. William McAdoo Presidential Award for Excellence in Diversity and Affirmative Action.

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One man, striving for sustainability on campus

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he was first hired. That was in 1998, Youdelman's first and most difficult year at Stony Brook. "There was no budget for anything," Youdelman said. He said the recycling efforts were minimal, with very little infrastructure. Despite the lack of funding, Youdelman traveled to college campuses around the Northeast to observe their recycling programs. In those days, recycling in the dormitories on campus was almost nonexistent. Now, every room has recycling bins for paper and bottles. The number of recycling bins on campus and in the dining halls have increased at Stony Brook from four years ago.

Recycling in the dorms was the start of some influential student programs.

Four years ago, Youdelman entered Stony Brook into Recyclemania, a West Campus and nationwide recycling competition. For 10 weeks,

usually at the beginning of the spring semester, each dorm quad competes to accumulate the biggest amount of recyclable materials. The winning quad receives \$500, which is significant, because the budget for student programs in most buildings is under \$1,000.

According to Maroof Ali, the vice president of the Environmental Club, "The more times the message is put out there about recycling and sustainability, the more people become interested in it."

The interest among Stony Brook students is already high. In the statewide Recyclemania, the university ranked second among 21 colleges in two categories: the amount of paper recycled per person, and the total amount recycled.

In the national contest, Stony Brook ranked 66 out of 293 schools in overall recycling, according to the National Recycling Coalition, the chief sponsor of the competition.

One of Youdelman's recycling achievements has saved the university almost \$5 million over the past seven years. Used concrete, scrap metal and wood scraps, as well as topsoil, are stored in the municipal recycling and handling area on the West Campus, awaiting re-use, at a fraction of the cost of new materials.

The traffic circle near Roth Quad on Circle Road, was built of recycled materials, at a savings of \$200,000, confirmed Peter Scully, the regional director for the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. The DEC not only has its office on the West Campus, but one of its main priorities is to "foster green and healthy communities," Scully said.

Storing and re-using soil is also one of the reasons the university saved \$5 million. Construction in Roth Quad could have meant that soil excavated during the laying of new pipes would have had to be trucked to storage off

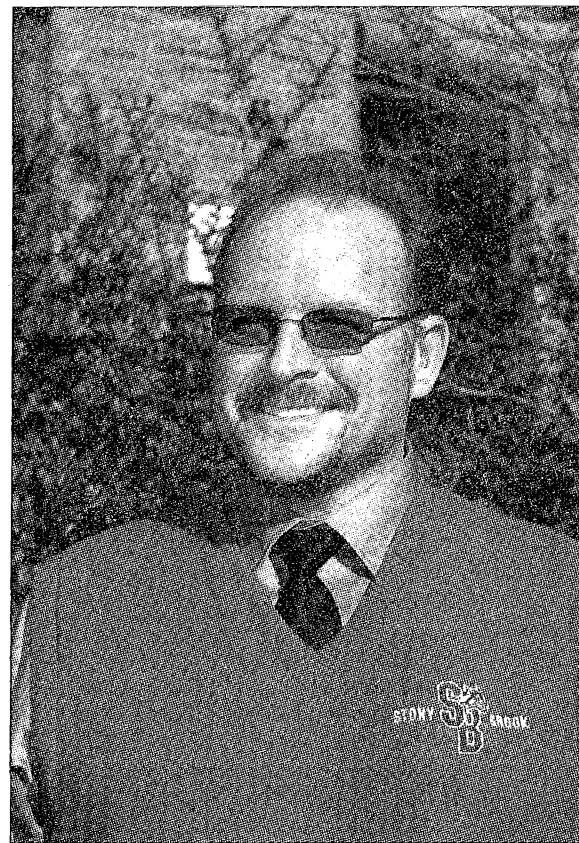
campus and then retrieved as needed.

Now it is stored on campus for free, saving the costs of gasoline and wages spent if workers trucked the soil back and forth to some distant dumping station. Shorter trips mean fewer emissions too, Youdelman said.

Asked about Stony Brook's recycling program, Scully said, "I could sum them up with one word: impressive."

He praised Youdelman's efforts at recycling the "not so easily recyclable" materials, such as concrete, metals and batteries. According to the DEC, the university recycled just under 70,000 tons of material in the 2008-2009 academic year.

Youdelman's said the improvements in recycling happen in part because he is a "middle of the road environmentalist," rather than a radical, and is able to see perspectives other than his own. This is crucial, because success hinges on cooperation among departments: his, residencies,



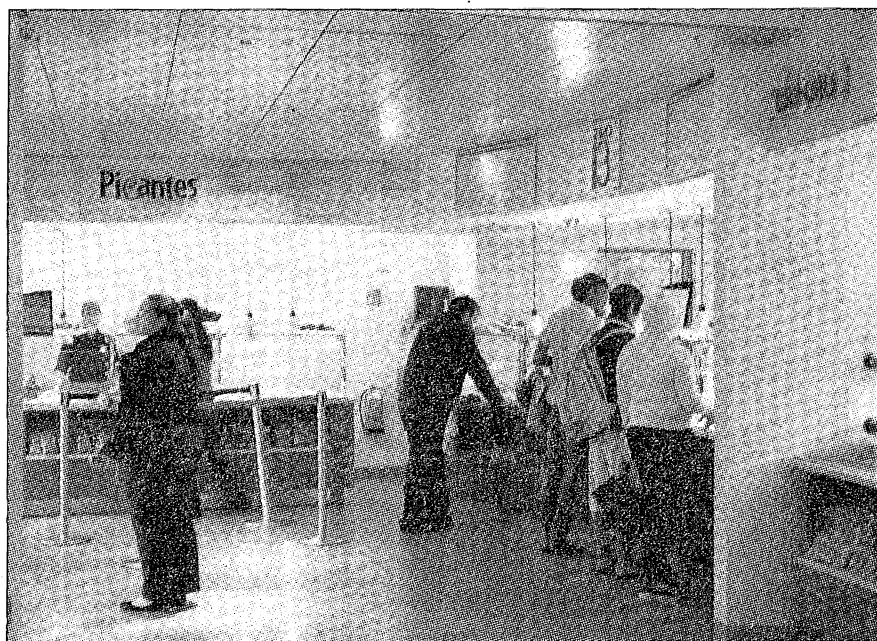
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Michael Youdelman has been on a crusade for sustainability since he was young.

dining, student activities and the administration.

"Many people would become frustrated by the operational challenges, but he confronts it with gusto," Scully said.

Youdelman stressed that recycling is a team effort, and that he is just one player. "I believe that everyone is an environmentalist," he said. "Do what you can where you can."



ERIKA KARP / STATESMAN FILE PHOTO

The Union Commons has been revamped with new places to eat.

From **DINING** on 1

years, leading to long lines and packed dining halls. A campus that continues to swell with students is adding more stress to an already strained system.

"Students have responded well to the change over in dining services because of three important initiatives," said Angela Agnello, director of Marketing and Communications for the Faculty Student

Association. According to Agnello, customer service, sustainability and a new program to aid students with their meal plan budgets are making a difference.

Students though seem to be more concerned with long waits and crowded dining areas.

"It's the lines that are bad," said Daniel Schwartz, 20, a sociology major at Stony Brook who does note an improvement in variety, prices and taste. "The lines are horrific. I don't know

why. I think it's because they just keep accepting more and more people on campus"

Schwartz acknowledges that besides the overcrowded dining areas during the middle of the day, he much rather prefers this particular dining service to the old one. In his opinion, those who gripe about the food now make good points, but they can't deny it's better than what they had before.

Among the many changes that Lackmann has instituted, some of the

Campus Dining: One semester later, lines are still long, but food has improved

most positive according to Agnello are the Mashed Potato bowl returning to the Union Commons, a revamped menu at Wolfie's, a new salad bar and hot entrées being added to Delancey Street and Eco Cravings -- the 100 percent vegan food concept brought to Kelly Dining Center.

Lackmann, as you would expect, has made an effort to provide more healthy food alternatives to the pizza and burgers students commonly find themselves engulfing around lunch time. And they have made their move to be more environmentally friendly as well, which always earns points on a college campus.

"Lackmann promises to bring more traditional home cooked meals to Stony Brook University and offer less commercially prepared items," Agnello said. "Campus Dining Services will soon launch a "flexitarian" eating initiative to promote more variety of meat-free options, encourage healthier eating and preserve the environment."

Schwartz however thinks this is a tall order to pull off at Stony Brook.

"I think it's odd when they show different, healthier food options because it's really hard to eat healthy on a college campus," Schwartz said. "The thing is that they always make the healthier foods more expensive."

The idea of healthier foods sits well with Kevin Musonza, 21, a health science major who likes the idea of having more healthy options. Musonza said there needs to be more whole wheat options when it comes to bread, and a better variety of fresh fruits.

Musonza has first-hand experience with campus dining. In his freshman year at Stony Brook, Musonza worked the entire year at the Kelly Dining Center, serving Chartwells' meals.

"It was mostly frozen stuff, food out of the freezer," Musonza said of the food he used to have to serve as a dining hall employee. "There really wasn't anything that fresh, just things you would have to pop inside the

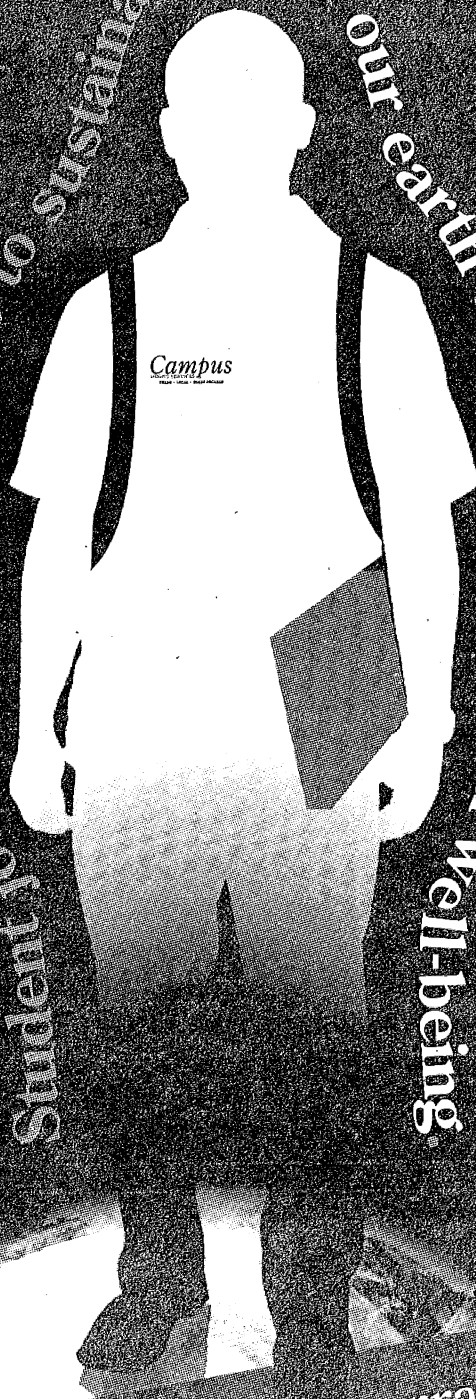
microwave."

Musonza is among those who believe that the new Lackmann service is an improvement over last year's provider.

"I think it's an upgrade," Musonza said. "I mean, it's not the best but it's a lot better than what it used to be, I'll tell you that. It's still a lot of money and the prices could definitely be cheaper. I'm still overpaying, but I'm getting more than I was before."

This isn't the first time Lackmann has dealt with Stony Brook. Lackmann had previously had a contract with Stony Brook that ended in 1982. Lackmann also has ties to local colleges in the area, having contracts with both Adelphi and Hofstra universities. Their relationships at both of those schools seem to be tenuous ones at best. Students at both schools have had clashes over the years, with the Lackmann services ranging from low quality food, to disputes over receipts being printed on request.

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Is The State of Our Union Strong?

By RAVNEET KAMBOJ
Opinion Editor

President Obama came into office amidst much fanfare and enthusiasm. However, a year later, the question being raised by many is whether he has kept the promises made on the campaign trail.

The campaign itself was defined by a record amount of participation and excitement from the youth. Wednesday night, President Obama delivered his State of the Union address. It was unusually long and covered a wide breadth of topics. Over the past year, he has backed a number of controversial and not often well received bills.

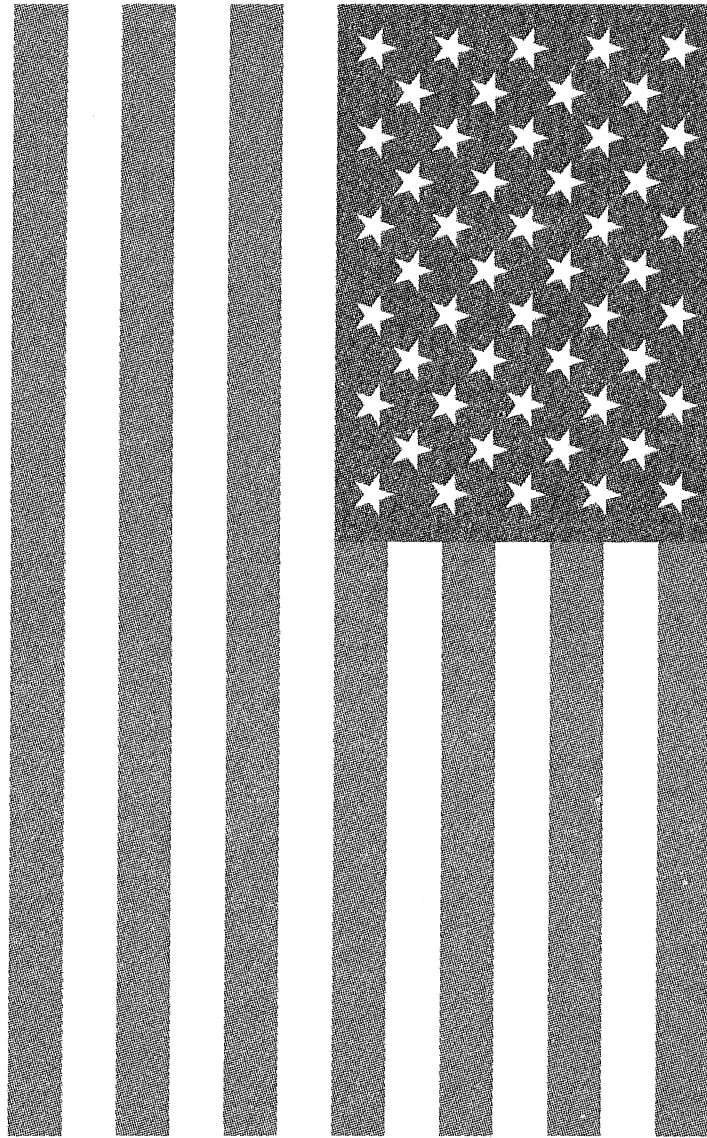
When the housing market started crashing and the banks started failing, he backed a major bailout that gave billions of dollars of low interest loans to failing banks. This year, most of the banks have recovered, paid back the government and even made a profit. Naturally, the ordinary citizen looks upon this bailout as unfair.

Although the economy was saved, the top banking companies have now made an extraordinary amount of money. Because of the financial leverage handed to them by the government, they continue to pay their top executives millions of dollars in "bonuses." The citizen who has to join the Army at the age of 40 to pay for his wife's cancer treatment has a right to feel slighted and jaded towards the people who run our country.

Many citizens, both Republican and Democrat, supported letting these big banks fail and letting the little banks fill up the vacuum. America has faced this kind of dilemma a few times before, albeit in a slightly different way. Thomas Jefferson and Alexander Hamilton had a lively debate over a big national banking system and a smaller local system, championed by Jefferson.

Ultimately, Hamilton's idea won out, but by the time the Great Depression came around, the unchecked and unsustainable lending practices of banks led to huge self-offs and a massive depression.

The country was brought out of it when Roosevelt decided to start a stimulus program similar to the



one in progress now. The nation invested in numerous civil programs and massively boosted the money spent on projects that could spur job growth and sustainability.

President Obama has taken this same path and has pumped billions of dollars into a number of programs. Whether all of this will be effective for the nation is still yet to be seen. We do have to give credit to the president for easing the bank crisis and allowing the credit market to become unfrozen.

The health care debate has raged now for a number of months, and with the Democrats' loss of the super majority, it's chance for passage looks slim. This bill does not seem to have support from the Republican or Democratic majority.

Republicans still feel that this bill lets the government control day-to-

day life too much, and Democrats believe that what they had originally wanted has now been watered down, due to the Senate trying to appease more conservative Democrats. All it seems President Obama has managed to do thus far with this debate is further divide Americans along partisan lines and destroy any semblance of cooperation between the two sides.

However, if one is honest, all of the blame cannot be placed on the president for this divisiveness. Fiery conservative talk show personalities who are often quite belligerent and even sometimes downright ignorant towards the president and the liberals cause people to distrust each other even more.

President Obama has now moved his focus towards the economy. He has proposed a spending freeze to

go into effect in the near future. This could be an honest attempt at pulling back costs, a way to gain some conservative support, or both.

One thing that was not mentioned at length during the State of The Union was foreign policy and the two wars we are fighting. This does not mean that the president is not aware of these issues. Recently, the combat in Iraq has been drawing down greatly, the war in Afghanistan has increased in intensity and many thousands more troops are being sent there to combat the Taliban and other extremists. The United States is now considering a deal to cooperate with the Taliban. This would basically amount to paying people who have extremist leanings not to fight.

To me, it seems that the air of impending doom over the last few months that has dominated the media has seemed to dissipate. The economy is looking up, at least for Wall Street, which has enjoyed massive rallies recently, and there is now some hope of finally ending the wars that plague us.

Americans in general, however, are so divided now that I fear that more progress will be extremely slow. Perhaps we are at the point of so much division that the two sides will not pass or collaborate on a bill, just because it started with the other side, even if both agree on some issues.

As college students and as the future leaders of our country, we can begin to reverse this trend by not being at the throats of those who differ in our political views. Maybe it is time to discard the age old advice of staying out of political conversations with our peers.

If we can learn to come together and talk through our differences and try to see issues from the other side, maybe we can begin to come together and get things done. We have an obligation to be responsible adults and learn to appreciate the other persons' views, even if we don't agree with them.

We must remember that no matter what our country faces, no matter how much we disagree about someone's point of view, in the end we are all American, and that unifying fact is something that can never be brought down by our arguing or squabbling over political issues.

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ARTS

Ok Go's Latest Release is Received with Mixed Results

By DARYL VULIS
Contributing Writer

After coasting on the Grammy-winning treadmill infused music video for "Here It Goes Again" for the past five years, Ok Go has changed both their line-up and signature pop rock sound for "Of the Blue Colour of the Sky" - with mixed results.

"Of the Blue Colour of the Sky" deviates from the catchy ditty theme of the past two studio albums. Although the overall sound and lyrics are more mature and serious, there are traces of the fast-paced guitar riffs and metallic vocals that defined their previous work in many of the songs.

The range, however, is the most impressive aspect of this effort and a notable improvement over the past.

While the eponymous "Ok Go" and follow-up "Oh No" varied largely in only the tempo of songs, "Of the Blue Colour of the Sky" features everything from disco-themed floorfillers ("Skyscrapers") to melancholy ballads ("Last Leaf").

"Of the Blue Colour of the Sky" clearly attempts to blend '80s pop sounds with their brand of alternative rock. The opening track and first single, "WTF?" is a good, if ironically titled, example of this shift, with a jumbled range of sounds and haunting vocals.

The album as a whole is a mixed bag-- while some tunes feature memorable melodies or catchy riffs, others can best be described as messy, overwhelming, and repetitive.

Some songs feature extensive sharp instrumentals, which needlessly extend otherwise concise songs.

The maturing of the band has resulted in greatly improved lyrics and composition. While past songs were often blunt in their message, "Of the Blue Colour of the Sky" utilizes more tact and the songs are far more poetic as a result. "Needing/Getting" is not alone in artfully silencing

instrumentals on its central line, in order to deliver a more powerful meaning.

Named after a pamphlet written by a Civil War General on utilizing the blue color of the sky in agriculture, and featuring a radial arrangement of colored lines that correspond to themes in the lyrics, "Of the Blue Colour of the Sky" already cheekily acknowledges that it is an attempt at being brazen and artsy.

Ultimately, while the expanded range and additional complexity are a step in the right direction, the album attempts too much and delivers an uneven effort as a result.



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Ok Go released their fourth studio album on Jan.12.

Arts at the Brook

This is a new section in Arts that will announce the weekly events on campus to keep the student body informed on the latest in music, movies, theatre and art at Stony Brook.

MUSIC:

Slothbear, PUi and This Good Robot are performing tomorrow, 8 p.m. at RockYoFaceCase at the University Cafe.

ART GALLERIES:

MFA student Moira Williams' exhibition is currently on display in the Lawrence Alloway Memorial Art Gallery on the first floor of the Melville library.

MOVIES:

"The Girl on the Train" (La fille du Rer) is playing this Friday Feb 5, at 7 p.m. at the Staller Center. "The Girl on the Train" will play in French and have English subtitles. "A Serious Man" is playing that same night in the Staller Center at 9 p.m.

THEATRE:

The Met Live in HD Series continues this Friday with a performance of Simon Boccanegra at 1 p.m.

New Cop Show "Southland" Has Depth

By ELIZABETH BRENNER
Contributing Writer

"Southland," which airs Tuesdays at 10 p.m. on TNT, takes place in none other than the gritty side of Los Angeles.

The show follows a slew of cops both in and out of uniform. While I'm sure many of you are familiar with the Jerry Bruckheimer empire which supplies the endless episodes of CSI, you will find "Southland" a breath of fresh air and a seemingly real dose of reality that MTV can't capture.

This show is anything but clean cut and straight forward. It's a nice change from the typical cop shows where you only know two to four cops, the witnesses are used and excused without follow up and the culprit is always captured with too much ease. The transition into the 'life of a cop' is introduced to the viewer flawlessly, as you are introduced to fellow cops and procedures through the eyes of rookie Ben Sherman (Ben McKenzie).

The writers did a fantastic job of making the characters seem like they have brains of their own. The director and crew were extraordinary with lighting and camera angles, as well as sets, both on and off the sound stage. The finished product is flawlessly viable, utilizing real city streets buildings and houses.

You also have to hand it to the editors as you see just enough of everything, so that it is believable without an overwhelming amount of gore. Furthermore, it leaves you with impeccable transitions from scene to scene while leaving you with no questions asked, so you can focus on the actual characters and the reactions. You feel like you're a casual observer of real life.

The story mainly focuses around rookie officer Ben Sherman (Ben McKenzie),



tvbythenumbers.com

"Southland," originally cancelled from NBC after seven episodes in early 2009, finds a new home on TNT this winter.

whose father is a lawyer and his training officer/partner Officer John Cooper (Michael Cudlitz) who builds a garden in his off time. Homicide Detective Lydia Adams (Regina King) takes care of her mother when she's not working. Homicide detective Russell Clark's (Tom Everett Scott) wife writes a blog called "I Love a Cop" and Detective Daniel "Sal" Salinger (Michael McGrady) makes a habit of spying on his daughter's Facebook profile. Detective Nate Moretta (Kevin Alejandro) is in the gang unit and served in Bosnia when he was 17. Officer Chickie Brown (Arija Bareikis) likes to surf in her free time. Last but not least, Detective Sammy Bryant (Shawn Hatosy), is described on his online profile as "stoned through high school"

Even though the storyline encompasses at least a dozen characters, it's not confusing to follow and is very well paced.

However, at times, the show's storylines sidetracks too oddly into the cops personal lives. Sometimes it's warranted to the solving of the current case, but other times it seems irrelevant and distracting.

These irrelevant side stories shouldn't last since the show is new and just establishing its characters and storylines.

The storylines of the

show's characters, both recurring and guest starring, aren't as predictable as other shows in the same genre. This is a fresh take, making the crime take a back seat while the actors really act.

Additionally, the plot from episode to episode flows smoothly. Instead of changing every episode, "Southland" carries them though and leaves the "alls well that ends well" mentality behind.

Despite having more depth than other procedural cop shows around, the ambiance wasn't heavy and you begin to identify with the characters before the first episode is over.

The two actors who really stand out are Regina King and Ben McKenzie. King has a unique way of playing an authority figure who is sharp yet caring.

There is a certain vulnerability about all the characters, which makes them all the more intriguing, as you wonder what is really going on in that person's head.

Ben McKenzie is absolutely fantastic. It is a far cry from "The O.C," but this is the best work I have ever seen him in. There are a few parts in the first episode where there is a close up on him, and you forget that he's only an actor.

I wouldn't be surprised if this show picks up some awards and neither will you, if you remember to tune in Tuesdays at 10 p.m.

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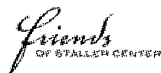
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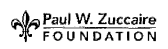
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8:30 am: Open Forum with Chancellor Nancy L. Zimpher and other SUNY Officials

The Open Forum is a prime opportunity for the campus and greater communities to comment on SUNY's Strategic Plan 2010. (Visit www.suny.edu/StrategicPlan for more information or to submit questions or comments.)

10:00 am: Conversation on Energy and Sustainability

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: **Steven E. Koonin**, Under Secretary for Science in the U.S. Department of Energy. Dr. Koonin's address to the community will be followed by a question-and-answer period.

The public portion of the event concludes at 11:30 am; attendance for any part of the event is encouraged. Visit www.stonybrook.edu/sunyconversation for more information.



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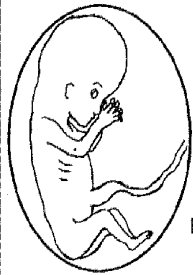
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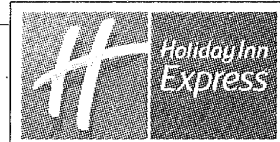
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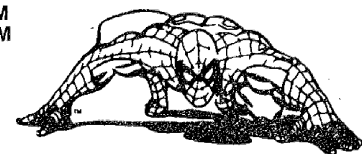
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SEAWOLVES DOMINATE TERRIERS, GRAB TOP CONFERENCE SPOT

By SAM KILB
Assistant Sports Editor

The Stony Brook Seawolves led throughout as they dispatched the Boston University Terriers, 71-55, to move into first place in the America East, in front of more than 1,500 people at Pritchard Gymnasium on Saturday.

Senior guard Muhammad El-Amin (Lansing, Mich.) led all scorers with 19 points

for the Seawolves (15-7, 7-2).

Stony Brook Head Coach Steve Pikiell was pleased with the Seawolves' effort.

"We came out with some good energy," Pikiell said, in the post game press conference. "It was a good win against a very good basketball team."

Stony Brook began the game with a 13-0 run in the first 4:25. El-Amin scored six and junior Chris Martin (Springfield Gardens, N.Y.)

scored five of his 16 points before the Terriers (11-11, 6-4) could get the ball through the hoop.

Joining Martin and El-Amin in double-digit scoring was forward Danny Carter (Windsor, England.) with 10, and freshman guard Marcus Rouse (Upper Marlboro, Md.) with 14.

Notably absent in the Seawolves offense was sophomore guard Bryan Dougher (Scotch Plains, N.J.). Dougher has averaged

in the double-digits for Stony Brook, but was held to just four points against Boston.

Dougher's only field goal of the game came with 8:06 to play in the second half, as he added two free throws with less than two minutes to go.

Coach Pikiell was unconcerned with Dougher's lack of points.

"We always score plenty of points," Pikiell said. "We didn't need Dougher's points

as much. It's the sign of a good team when other guys step up."

"I'm not worried," he added. "In the next game he'll make shots."

Stony Brook outlasted Boston all night, grabbing 22 more rebounds than the Terriers. Sophomores Tommy Brenton (Columbia, Md.) and Dallis Joyner (Norfolk, Va.) had 14 and 11 boards respectively for the Seawolves.

The Seawolves defense

also stepped up, holding the conference's best scorers to 14 points less than their average, and keeping the America East's leading scorer, John Holland of Boston, to six points. Jake O'Brien led the Terriers with 17 points.

Stony Brook is 9-1 at home this season, a program best since 2000-01.

The Seawolves now take to the road, heading to Hartford on Wednesday. Tip-off with the Hawks is set for 7 p.m.

Women's Hoops Battles, Falls To Hartford

By DAVID O'CONNOR
Staff Writer

Despite a gritty effort and tough defense, the Seawolves were outdone by the Hartford Hawks Saturday at Pritchard Gymnasium, falling 60-42 to drop to 4-5 in conference play. The Seawolves struggled offensively, recording their second lowest scoring output since putting only 38 points on the board to the same Hartford Hawks in early January.

Coach Michele Cherry was clear when asked what she believed cost her team the game. "Our shooting percentage," she said. "Gotta make shots."

From the start of the game, the Hawks, who have not lost a conference game this season, seized the upper hand by securing the tip-off and scoring the first four points.

The Seawolves fought back, however. After falling behind 13-4, the home team managed a 7-1 run to pull itself back in the game, using to strong defense and solid rebounding. The Seawolves managed to tie the score and unleash cheers from the fans in attendance and the Stony Brook Pep Band.

However, strong effort was soon to become the only good news for Seawolves fans.

Stony Brook broke the foul limit with 9:30 left in the first half, and the Hawks executed the triangle-offense to continued success. Hartford won the rebounding battle early,

tallying 16 rebounds, 7 of them on offensive end, and holding a 26-21 lead at the halftime break.

The Seawolves' offensive woes worsened in the second period. The team made approximately 21 percent of its shots, despite coming out of the break with intensity and energetic play.

Meanwhile, the Hawks began scoring at will. Junior guard Jackie Smith scored a career-high 19 points for Hartford, making all six of her three-point shots.

"She's a good shooter," said Coach Cherry later. "She did what good shooters do."

Things got rough when junior Kirsten Jeter (Elmont, N.Y.) was fouled hard while attempting a lay-up midway through the second half. After being attended to by the staff, Jeter was able to walk over to the bench without help. She would return a few minutes later and finish with 9 points and 6 rebounds, leading the team in boards while junior guard Misha Horsey (Wyncote, Penn.) led the team in scoring with 12 points.

Sophomore center Destiny Jacobs (Glen Burnie, Md.) was also hit hard in the second half and was forced to leave the game.

"They'll be re-evaluated," said Coach Cherry after the game when asked about the condition of her players. "It's a physical game."

The Seawolves travel to New Hampshire to face the Wildcats Wednesday night. Tip off is slated for 7:00 p.m.

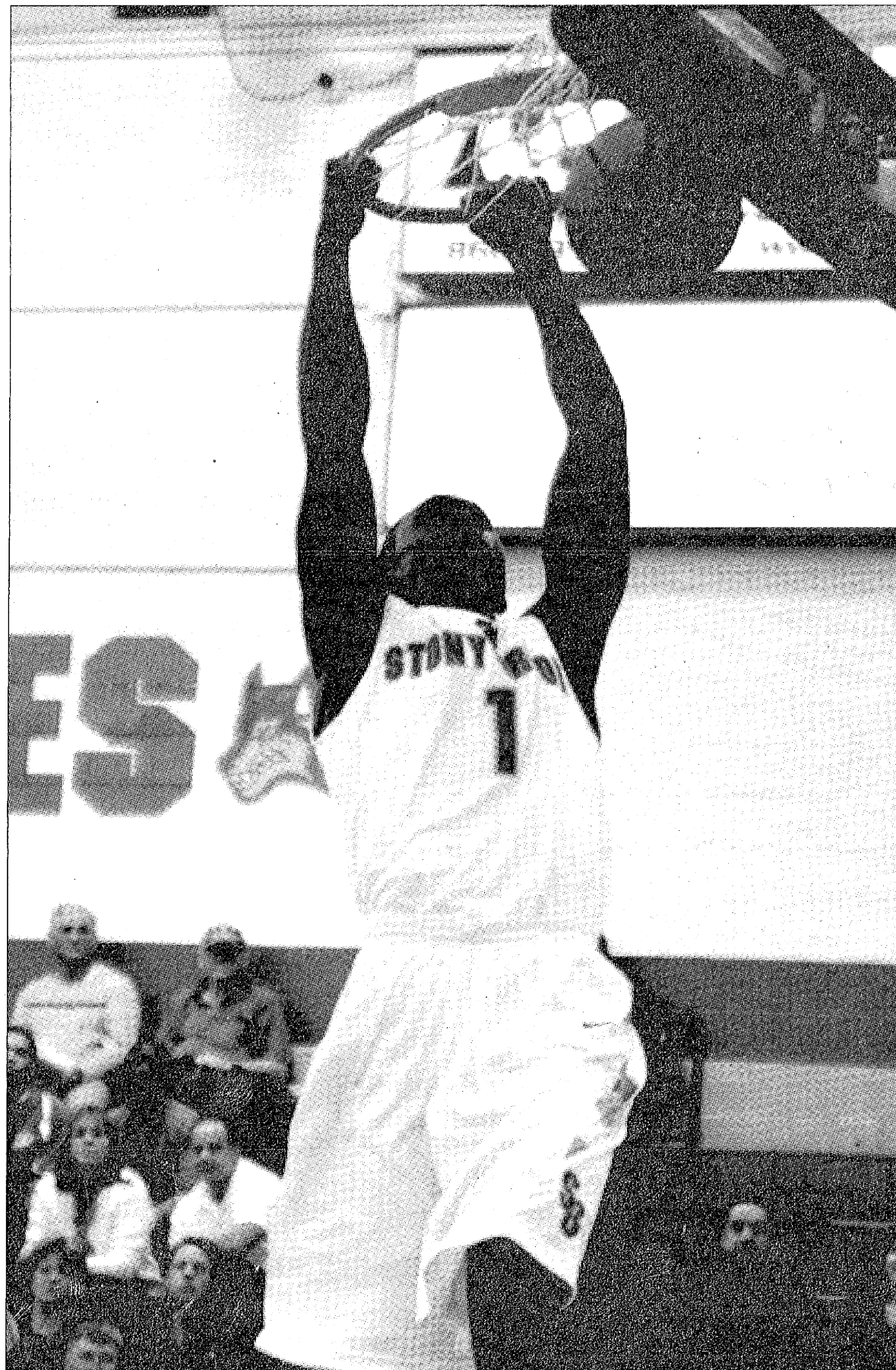


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Freshman guard Amanda Corona takes a jumper earlier this year. The Seawolves struggled to put points on the board Saturday, falling despite a valiant defensive effort.

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America East Standings

<i>Team</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>L</i>
Stony Brook SEAWOLVES	7	2
Maine Black Bears	6	2
Vermont Catamounts	6	3
Binghamton Bearcats	5	3
Boston U. Terriers	6	4
Hartford Hawks	4	4
New Hampshire Wildcats	3	5
Albany Great Danes	1	8
UMBC Retrievers	1	8



Freshman forward Preye Preboye (above) helped the Seawolves soar to first place Saturday evening.

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