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Campus hotel has high room rates for graduation

By Rolyne Joseph
Staff Writer

The Hilton Garden Inn at Stony Brook, which provides accommodations for thousands of guests and visitors who attend Stony Brook University events and activities, will raise its guest room rates per room and per evening during the May commencement.

"This is a high demand for all of Long Island, since it is a holiday and start of the summer season," Jeannine Lang, director of sales and marketing for the Hilton Garden Inn at Stony Brook, said.

The rise of guest room rates will be in effect on Memorial Day.

Guest room rates will start at \$279 per room, per evening. The Hilton Garden Inn at Stony Brook will provide students and their family with guest rooms, dining, the hotel's private banquet rooms and other features and amenities.

The Hilton guest room prices are about \$149. The price jumped from that price to \$279 per room per evening because of the high demand in the Stony Brook area and other surrounding areas. Other hotels near Stony Brook will be sold out, Lang said.

"The rate is set by the time of year and the demand as well," she added.

The intersection of the university's May commencement and Memorial Day weekend is the main reason for the increase in guest room rates.

Lang insisted that hotel prices are higher during the holidays. The hotel has to deal with high demand for hotel rooms, travelers booking plans and other demands.

The Hilton Garden Inn has 135 guest rooms, including 12 junior suites, four executive suites, a full service garden grill serving breakfast, lunch and dinner, as well as a Pavilion Lounge and Bar.

The hotel provides a nine-passenger shuttle that will be available to the Stony Brook train station, Stony Brook village, Port Jefferson village and around campus.

The university requires drivers to have a Stony Brook University ID card present at the main entrance. Drivers will have to stop at the gate and tell the main

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The Stony Brook Hindu Students Council hosts a Holi celebration in the Mendelsohn Pit on Sunday, April 7. Holi is a festival to welcome spring by washing out the grays of winter with bright powders.

Locals complaining about SBU students

By Giselle Barkley
Staff Writer

Local residents have a number of issues with off-campus housing that could jeopardize housing options for students if left unresolved.

According to News 4 New York, Brookhaven residents are unhappy with landlords violating town codes and failing to enforce rules and regulations upon students. They have reported landlords housing more than four unrelated people within their property, which is against town code.

Furthermore, homeowners believe that off-campus housing available to students may diminish the neighborhood's property value finding parties among other student activities disruptive.

This year, residents reached their tipping point, protesting houses purchased by investors for off-campus housing purposes, according to both News 4 New York and "Newsday."

Gloria Rocchio, president of the Ward Melville Heritage Foundation, said officials had not addressed the issue in its early stages, when there were fewer problems. Now, Brookhaven officials and Stony Brook University are working together to resolve the issues in an effort to maintain off-campus housing for students, clear up confusion regarding housing rules and address the concerns of residents.

Anna Lubitz, president

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Local residents near Stony Brook University are unhappy with landlords not complying with town codes with student renters.

Getting to know USG candidates

By Matt Sacco
Staff Writer

At a debate held on Tuesday in the Student Activities Center, executive candidates for the next academic year's Undergraduate Student Government expressed viewpoints largely party-driven, but ones also putting community and teamwork as a high priority. The event was sponsored by The Speech and Debate Society and *The Statesman*.

This year saw the emergence of two parties in USG, the Seawolves for Change Party and The After Party. Seawolves For Change wishes to continue to concentrate most of USG's spending into club stipends, while The After Party wants to broaden the areas of its spending to include an expansion of services such as PASS tutoring, along with addressing tuition increases and the quality of campus dining.

Starting with the treasurer ticket, each candidate took a brief interval to introduce themselves, their experience and their administrative plans for the future. They then answered questions posed by the student body, selected at random by the election administrative board.

One question for the treasurer candidates asked for an explanation of the Faculty Student Association (FSA) fee, which is paid to the clerical faculty who have auxiliary roles in USG. Both treasurer candidates, Wesley Hawkins

(SFC) and Brian McIlvain (TAP) said they would better familiarize themselves with the fee to make sure it is being allocated in an appropriate way, though neither candidate elaborated on what constituted their notions of appropriateness.

A major issue for the VP candidates Ryan Heslin (SFC) and Mallory Rothstein (TAP)



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Current USG president Anna Lubitz is running for reelection this spring.

was protocol and decorum during senate meetings. Heslin, who read the definitive conference guide Robert's Rules of Order "twice, cover to cover," would hold meetings under his

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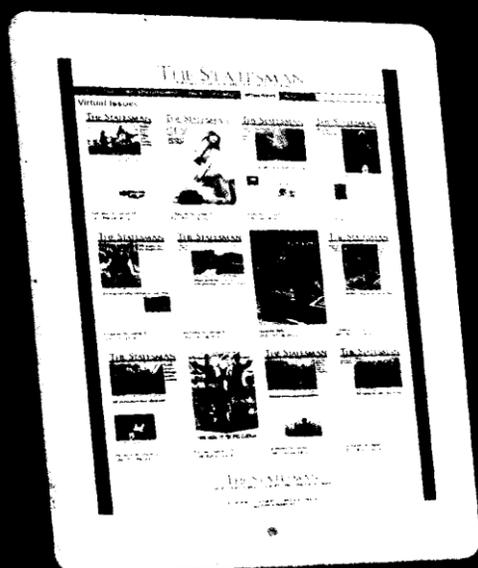
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Thanks to new technology and a \$14,000,000 budget, the remake of "Evil Dead" successfully explores new ways to frighten the audience with the right amount of dark imagery and references to classic horror films.

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SPORTS:

Hockey pres Wes Hawkins running for USG Treasurer

Junior Wesley Hawkins, who is both president of and one of the top forwards on the Stony Brook Ice Hockey Team (he scored 10 goals and 13 assists in 31 games this past season), speaks about his decision to run for USG treasurer in the upcoming elections.

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Baseball falls to Albany in three-game sweep

Two homers from Kevin Courtney and a three-hit day on Sunday for Cole Peragine weren't enough to save the Seawolves in their three games against Albany this weekend, which they lost 5-4, 9-6 and 4-3.

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Brandon McNitt balances baseball and biology

With a schedule that includes being the SBU baseball team's starting pitcher and a slew of biochemistry classes, Brandon McNitt is a strong believer in the power of focus and discipline.

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Director of Athletic Bands to retire at the end of semester

John Leddy leaving music department after being in charge for seven years

By Mike Seeley
Staff Writer

When the Stony Brook University Marching Band plays its first event next semester, there will be new faces. One face, however, will stand out among the new members of the ensemble, because at the end of this semester, John Leddy, 61, Director of Athletic Bands, will be retiring from his position.

Leddy has been in charge of the marching band since the day of its foundation in 2006. He said he has watched it grow almost 10 times in size. "When we had our first band camp,

"When I was a kid, I wanted to be Ringo Starr."

-John Leddy
Director of Athletic Bands

there were 20 kids," Leddy said. "By the third year we might have crossed 100 and now we're at about 185."

The Brooklyn native and Huntington-grown man, who has led this new band to such feats as playing the Javits Center in Manhattan, being in an episode of "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" and being in a New York Lotto commercial, has always had a passion for music.

"When I was a kid, I wanted to be Ringo Starr," he said. "I just wanted to sit in the back of the stage and play the drums."

And play the drums he did.

He said he started playing them when he was 10 years old and still plays them today. In fact, it was the drums that sparked Leddy's interest in marching bands.

"I remember being a little kid and feeling the thud and sound of the drums when a marching band would go by," he said. "It would take my breath away."

Leddy took that interest and taught music and directed

bands in the Connetquot School District for 33 years. When that came to an end, he said a friend of his told him that a marching band was starting up at Stony Brook University. Leddy was not so enthused.

"I was really not interested in being the director at first," he said. But after some persuasion from that friend and some interaction with the staff and students, he said his mind had been changed.

The first performance the band played is a memory that sticks out above the others, Leddy said. It was the 2006 Homecoming, and he had a "bag over the head feeling." He felt like things were not going to work. But as the band went around the stadium to exit the field, he said that all the fans were standing up and applauding them and he realized that they really loved the band.

He said it was moments like these, where the fans showed a thirst for spirit and appreciation for the band, which motivated him.

That same moment came again, he said, one day after a basketball game. "I was packing up and coach Steve Pikiell slapped me in the butt and said, 'That was awesome! You guys are the best!'" Leddy said.

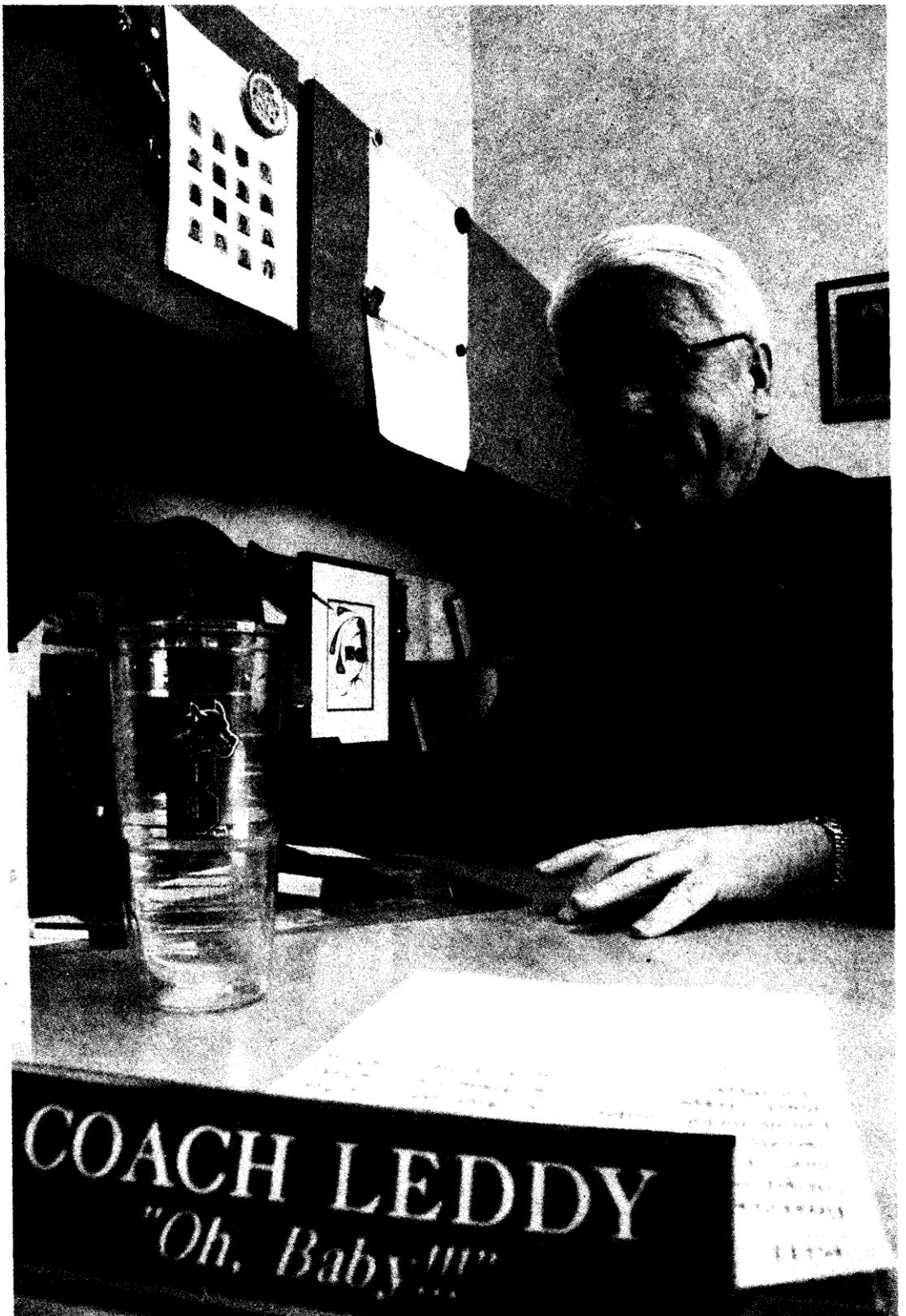
Even more of his motivation came from the band members' "enthusiasm and their ability to never give up."

Some of the members said, though, that this enthusiasm was a result of Leddy himself.

Karthik Rao, 21, who is studying neurobiology and one of the three current drum majors, said that when he first joined the marching band in 2009, he always thought of band directors as strict and discouraging because that was how his high school's director was. Leddy made him believe otherwise.

"I messed up once and he was very kind and laid back about it," Rao said. "Not in a way that he didn't care, but that he knew I would find a way to correct myself."

He was the kind of director



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John Leddy will continue to work part-time with the band after his position has been filled.

that believed in his students, Rao continued.

"Leddy was flustered during a show once and I told him maybe we should do this and that," he said. "And he trusted me enough to go through with my idea."

Leddy said he knew he was "teaching smart people," and knew they could handle themselves. By letting them do their own thing, he said, the band developed cheers and traditions that fans enjoy to this day, such as the fourth quarter Godzilla versus King Kong dance and chant set to "We Will Rock You".

"The cheers are so cute," Sava Babar, 18, a biology major, said. "The marching band is very school spirited."

According to Megan Spicer, 23, a former drum major from the class of 2012, Leddy was more than a director.

"He was involved in everything

we did, not just the band," Spicer said. "I've talked to him in his office for like three hours just about what was going on in my life. He was my head honcho."

Besides his caring personality, the phrase "Oh baby!" will never be forgotten. According to Eric Kunz, 22, studying neurobiology and another current drum major, Leddy would say this when

"[Leddy] was involved in everything we did, not just the band."

-Meg Spicer
Former drum major

something went great. Leddy said that he feels like he may have picked it up from American basketball sportscaster Dick Vitale.

The married man of 38 years and father of two said it has been an incredible journey and will be hard to give it all up, but it is time to move on, for him and the band.

"It's a young person's job," Leddy said. "I've taken them where I can take them. They will continue to grow. The band is ready to explode musically and creatively."

According to Leddy, however, he will not be going far after he retires.

"The plan is after I retire to take on a more behind the scenes position," Leddy said. "Somebody will take over my current job and I'll work part time and help to promote the band."



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The Stony Brook Marching Band rolls through Manhattan at the 68th Annual Columbus Day parade on Oct. 9, 2012.

Campus news briefing: USG passes amendment

By Kelly Zegers
Staff Writer

Hall council amendment

An amendment was adopted to the 2011 Hall Council Funding Act, presented by senator Peter Sheh, to "make it fair for everyone" and eliminate "mass confusion during hall council meetings."

Sheh explained to the senate that the previous law was written with concerns that resident assistants would use hall council money to put on their programs; however, RAs already have money from Campus Recreation.

To avoid any conflict of interest or bias, RAs were not given voting rights under the act.

This was found to be unfair as Sheh explained, "...resident assistants are still residents living in the building and any resident should have the right to put on a program in their building."

The confusion in hall council voting occurs due to distinctions between different residents in the building and what their votes mean, some with voting rights and counts towards quorum, whereas others who have voting rights do not count toward quorum. Quorum is the minimum number of members needed to carry out an activity.

The adopted amendment calls for resident assistants to have voting rights and count toward

quorum. In order to maintain that there is no conflict of interest, however, RAs must abstain from their vote if the voting matter has anything to do with their positional responsibilities, such as a program they are putting on.

MOOCs

Vice President of Academic Affairs Derek Cope discussed the importance of bringing MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses) to Stony Brook, saying "I think it's a good idea."

Cope explained that the university is looking to hire a company that is used by other colleges for such courses and added that at meetings regarding the program, it has been "pretty unanimous" among faculty members to see MOOCs implemented.

Cope has met with the Provost and said that "...it seems a priority to him that experiential learning and this type of online learning really accentuates one's education and it's really important for Stony Brook to not get left behind in this initiative where our peers are excelling in this area."

Food pantry

Freshman Class Representative Steve Adelson updated the senate about food insecurity on campus. The first committee meeting for



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Senators listen to presentations about MOOCs, a potential food pantry and activity fee hikes.

creating a campus food pantry was held and that there has been "great progress so far."

An issue that the committee is working on to overcome is finding space for the pantry. The committee is looking to have clubs and organizations write resolutions in order to show support for the pantry.

Student Activity Fee

Treasurer Allen Abraham asked that senate members talk to clubs

about the need for the student activity fee increase. He explained that "you have to understand how important it is. If we don't pass this fee, there will be less money for clubs and also for events."

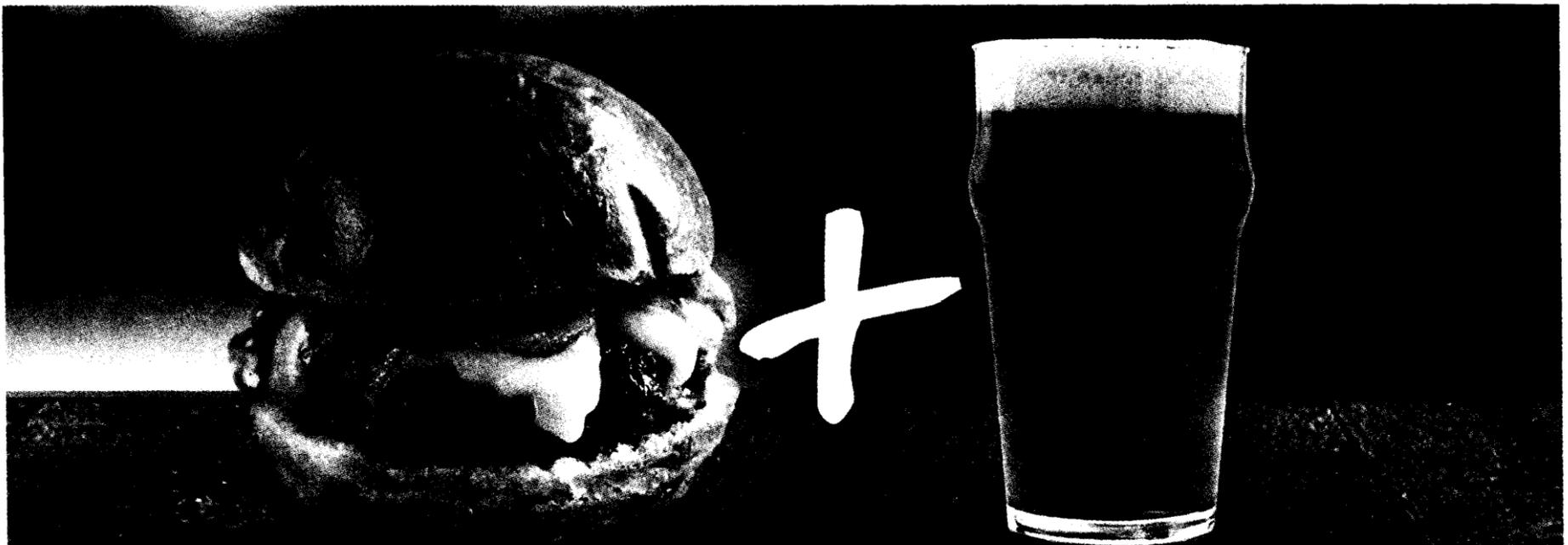
This is due to an expected increase in insurance, the FSA management fee and salaries, which account for the expected rise in minimum wage.

Senator Kathryn Michaud learned from speaking to some clubs, "Most people who aren't on e-board don't know what the fee is

and what it actually goes towards, so, in part of our efforts I think we should try and make people more knowledgeable."

She referred to the small amount of votes that the fee passed by last year and necessity to make students aware that without it, funding for events like concerts and club funds are affected.

Senator Daniela Gelano Valencia stated, "...this fee applies to everybody so we should be trying to reach as many people as possible, period."



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Seawolves Swap offers new way for students to recycle clothing

By Mike Ruiz
Staff Writer

Cash-crunching students at Stony Brook University now have a way to make over their wardrobes without spending a dime, according to Jacqueline Burtonboy and Kelsie Bottorff, the founders of Seawolves Swap.

Burtonboy and Bottorff, sophomores majoring in biology and business respectively, said participants can trade clothes that they do not wear anymore for vouchers. Later, the group will meet up and anyone with a voucher can swap it for a different article of clothing.

"We're poor college students," Bottorff said. "We both don't have cars, so we can't go shopping. We don't even have jobs. We need a new wardrobe, what's a new way of doing it?"

According to the duo, they found the answer at Columbia University, where students organized similar programs in the past.

"It's not like I don't have nice clothing that I can switch with someone else," Burtonboy said. "I just can't afford new stuff."

In just over a week, Burtonboy and Bottorff filled a clothing rack, a few cardboard boxes, and the couch outside their suite with lightly used clothes—and they have not run

their dropoff drives yet.

"We have really good friends," Bottorff explained, and her goal with Seawolves Swap is to meet even more.

Ariel Kodis, a junior sociology major who picks up donations for Seawolves Swap, said in addition to participating, people are getting excited.

Burtonboy and Bottorff, or their favorite leather jacket. But not every piece of clothing is a heartwarming memento.

"Every time I wore this dress,"

had less success with a particular demographic around campus.

"Men wear clothing too," Burtonboy said. "From what I've heard."

But they have not been as receptive to the idea—even though Seawolves Swap volunteers stress that the program is not gender specific.

"Girls will do it with their friends all the time," Bottorff said. "Guys don't get enough credit that they pay attention to fashion. We don't want them to be excluded because they think it's girly."

According to Kodis, who does most of the collections because she is the one with the car, the only items turned in by guys are sports jerseys.

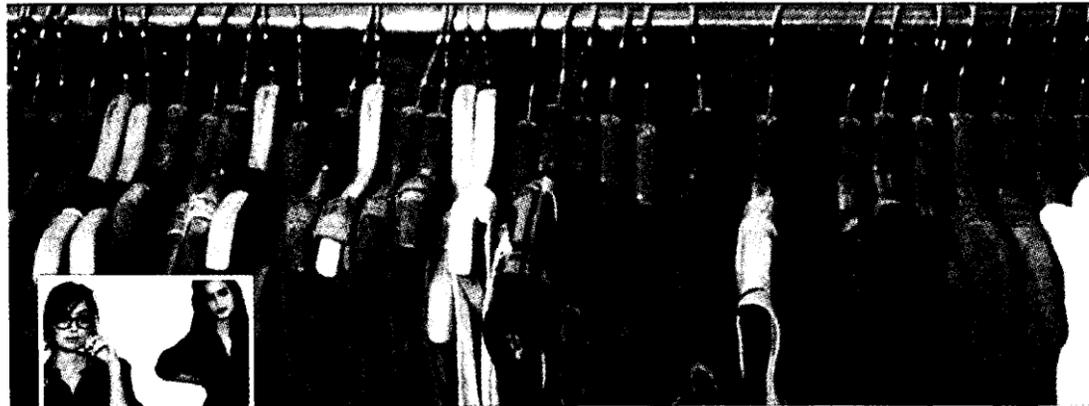
There is another purpose behind Seawolves Swap too: sustainability. But Burtonboy and Bottorff do not want to scare anyone away by focusing solely on going green.

"To us, it's obvious why you need to recycle," Burtonboy said. "But we don't want to be condescending."

Though, as Bottorff says, they are "hippies at heart," the goals are to have fun, meet new friends, and complete a few new—or lightly used—outfits.

"No one wants to be badgered to death to recycle."

Swap dates are listed on the Seawolves Swap Facebook page.



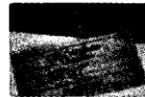
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Burtonboy and Bottorff organize their swap after Columbia University's past programs.

As transfer students, both women said they wanted to expand their networks here at Stony Brook.

"Without participation, it isn't an event," Burtonboy said. More participation means meeting more people. "It's networking," she added.

"I go to pick up clothes thinking it will take a couple of minutes," Kodis said. "Sometimes I'm there for an hour. People talk. It's interesting to hear their stories."

Women are sometimes hesitant to give up the dress they wore on a few first dates, according to

Bottorff said, holding up a fancy black number with a bow on the back. "Something bad happened. It's this bittersweet attachment that you've never thought you'd have with clothes."

Eventually, she added the dress to the swap rack. She has

Millennials found to care about parenting

By Caithlin Pena
Staff Writer

29-year-old Evan Livingston is a junior journalism major at Stony Brook University. He also just recently had a son, five-month-old Chase. Livingston cannot describe the feeling of being a father beyond saying, "like all clichés, life wasn't about [him] anymore."

"Everything revolves around him," he said. "It is an exhilarating experience."

What has changed, however, is the concept of marriage.

According to a survey done by Pew Research Center back in 2010, 52 percent of young adults today between the ages of 18-29, whom the center refers to as the "Millennial Generation," consider being a good parent more important than having a successful marriage. 30 percent say that a successful marriage is more important.

When the same survey was done back in 1997, 42 percent said that being a good parent was more important than being in a successful marriage.

In previous generations, people married young. But with the changing times and more people choosing to marry later and later, many of today's current parents are unmarried. In 2008, Pew found that a little over half of mothers were not married.

According to Catherine Marrone, a sociology lecturer, this does not necessarily mean that marriage and having children are no longer valued.

"Even if they have these things later in life and in the order of children and then marriage," she said, "it doesn't necessarily mean they aren't still seeking these important

relationships."

Marrone also pointed out that because cohabitation among young couples has become more widely accepted, and even economically necessary at certain times, it shows that there is still interest in close relationships.

"And yes, they are still wanting children," she added.

concentrating on my son and seeing how well his mother and I get along and cope with raising a child."

Marrone believes even if societies change, the concepts of marriage and parenthood and forming relationships with another person remain valued and important.

"The idea of marriage and what it means and when it needs to take



PHOTO CREDIT: MCT CAMPUS
Pearline Sculley, of North Carolina, feeds her daughter, Amirykal.

Pew Research Center found that among millennial couples, 70 percent want to marry at some point and 74 percent want to have children. Only 5 percent said they don't want to marry and 7 percent do not want children.

There is also a lower percentage of young people who are having children at their age. Only 36 percent of women between the ages of 18 and 29 have had children compared to the 41 percent in 1998.

Livingston believes that "an unexpected child is not an engagement ring."

"Down the road, who knows," he said. "As of right now I am

place have changed over time," she said, "and this is what you will see in most social institutions, since as cultures change, so do our ideas of how these institutions should look and function."

New to parenting, Livingston only wants the best for his son. In addition to school, Livingston keeps a job on the side and is working harder than ever.

"Being a good parent is the most important thing to me in my life now," he said. "I know that what I do and say directly influences Chase and I had to change and adapt to make sure of this."

Police Blotter

Recent thefts

On Friday, March 22, a ladies' wallet was allegedly stolen from Roth Quad. The case is still open.

On Saturday, March 23, \$180 was allegedly stolen from West Apartments C.

On Sunday, March 24, a male resident student was found passed out at West Apartments E. It appeared he had been drinking alcohol. He was referred to the university.

On Monday, March 25, police responded to a patient threatening staff at the University Hospital. No students were involved and no arrests were made.

On Monday, March 25, police responded to a complaint from a staff member at the Hilton Garden Inn that there was a strong smell of marijuana coming from a room in the hotel. There was no marijuana present; however, the occupants were asked to

leave by security.

On Monday, March 25, police responded to and arrested a male resident student who was urinating on another male resident student at Lauterbur.

On Tuesday, March 26, at 5:52 a.m., a male commuter student was arrested and charged with DUI on Marburger Drive.

On Wednesday, March 27, a silver and navy blue Gary Fischer bicycle was allegedly stolen from the Indoor Sports Complex.

Graffiti found on campus

On Wednesday, March 27, graffiti was found in the elevator at Baruch College. On Friday, March 29, graffiti was found in the men's bathroom at the Simons Center and graffiti created with laundry detergent was found at Lauterbur.

Compiled by Ashleigh Sherow



A Celebration of Earth Day

April 15 to 19, 2013

Sustainability: The Future Is Now

Monday, April 15

- Lecture: Ecological Restoration in Urban Estuaries — Rachel Gruzen
Endeavour Hall, Room 120, 5:30 pm

Tuesday, April 16

- Shinnecock Bay Restoration Project
SAC, Room 302, 2 pm
- Film: *Filtering Futures*
SAC, Ballroom B, 6 pm

Wednesday, April 17

- Sustainability Studies Alumni Panel
Charles B. Wang Center, Lecture Hall 2, 1 pm
- Biomedical Engineering: Environmental Implications and Applications
SAC, Room 302, 2 pm
- Film/Discussion: *Dear Governor Cuomo*
Humanities Building, Room 1006, 4 pm

Thursday, April 18

- Great Debate: After Sandy — Living at the Edge of the Sea
Humanities Building, Room 1006, 4 pm
- Shamanism: Connecting Spiritually to the Earth
Charles B. Wang Center, Room 201, 6 pm

Friday, April 19

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- Pride Patrol, 10 am
- Farmers Market, Alternative Energy Vehicles, 11 am
- Eco-Scavenger Hunt, 11 am
- Remarks, Green Pledge, 12:15 pm
- Duck Races, 2 pm
- Ice Cream Social, 2:30 pm
- Drum Line and Color Guard Showcase, 3 pm

Charles B. Wang Center Theatre

- Environmental Student Research Exhibition
6:30 pm

- Keynote lecture: The CO2 Crises
Wallace S. Broecker, Newberry Professor of Geology, Columbia University, 7:30 pm

SAC Plaza

- Concert: Rock Yo Face
Case/Do It in the Dark
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University Café, SB Union

- Acoustic Music by Jack's Waterfall, 8:30 pm

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The Hilton Garden Inn offers a shuttle service to Port Jefferson, Stony Brook train station and Stony Brook Village.

High hotel rates for May commencement

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entrance security guard that they are guests arriving at the hotel.

However, there are other hotels around Stony Brook that are willing to offer students and their families lower guest room rates during the May commencement.

The Three Village Inn at Stony Brook offers visitors and guests cultivated cuisine, professional services and high-quality ingredients. The hotel offers a Main House starting at \$129 on weekdays and \$199 on weekends.

The Main House guest room rate differs based on room types and on weekdays and weekends. Main House Staterooms has combination of traditional and modern furniture and luxuries.

"We offer many themes one night and two night stays," Daniel A. Laffitte, innkeeper and general manager at the Three Village Inn at Stony Brook, said. "Most are tied into the seasons, holidays, area events all current packages can be found on our web page under the hotel tab."

Among the rooms and suites the hotel offers to their guest are

Main House Staterooms, Cottage Master Suites, Studio Rooms and Signature Suites. Visitors can check in and out of the hotel for college commencements. Guests can stay at the hotel on any date.

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Students living off-campus hear complaints

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of Undergraduate Student Government, is working with the university administration to reach out to Brookhaven. "I received... press releases from administration saying that it is a community effort," Lubitz said.

She mentioned that the town codes are not clear for students and it is the Town of Brookhaven's responsibility to make the codes understandable for students living or contemplating living off-campus.

"Students are coming into this and some of them, it's their first time living off-campus and they don't... really understand the process or procedure of renting and releasing a house or apartment," Lubitz said.

Students who live off-campus, like Vincent Justiniano, a sophomore psychology major, also agree that the codes are unclear. "I feel like the codes in general aren't really talked about or discussed. It's there but I don't think people follow...or worry about them," Justiniano said.

Justiniano also says that the freedom that accompanies living off-campus may cause some students to neglect the rules and regulations.

However, he does not think students are solely to blame since some landlords fail to reinforce the rules before students move in.

"The USG town hall meeting that I implemented...was the first start to get students aware of the issue and for them to have a voice and for all their concerns to be met," Lubitz said.

But landlords must also do their part.

"The most important thing is to make sure that the property owner has a rental permit with the town of Brookhaven and as long as the homeowner adheres to the rules and regulations, I think it's a good thing," Rocchio said.

Rocchio admits that the issues were not addressed in the past. But efforts are being made to confront the problems now. "I think Supervisor Romaine is doing a good thing cracking down on these landlords and increasing fines quite a bit."

According to "Patch," the university will not only require investors wishing to provide off-campus housing to have valid permits, but will also use cross-referencing to ensure the housing follows legal practices.

"People have been renting to

students for years. I think maybe economic conditions nowadays put more pressure on [landlords] trying to get more money so therefore they go beyond...the rules and regulations of the town," Rocchio said.

Not all landlords or homeowners renting their houses to students violate town codes and the rules and regulations put in place. "It's only people that push the envelope, to try and get more out of it than they're legally entitled to, then it becomes a problem for everybody," Rocchio said.

Regardless of the problems, members of the community think off-campus housing is beneficial. Not only does it integrate students into the community but it also provides a cheaper alternative to living on-campus, especially since on-campus housing, according to Lubitz, is scarce.

In order to move forward, being respectful of one another is important. "The Town of Brookhaven needs to support Stony Brook University and we also have to be aware that we are neighbors," Lubitz said.

The issue is an ongoing process and will take time before matters are completely resolved.



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Brookhaven residents and Stony Brook University are working together to resolve issues regarding students living off-campus. USG President Anna Lubitz is also working on behalf of students.

USG candidates debate campus issues before spring elections

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jurisdiction to a high standard of order, while Rothstein espoused a less strict approach: "As long as I'm doing my job

well," she said, "the senate will want to abide by my rules."

The three Presidential candidates, Adil Hussain (TAP), Yiufat Lam (independent) and incumbent Anna Lubitz (SFC),

spoke last. Although their long-range focuses and goals differed, all three candidates extolled the value of the community, both as an end and as a tool to achieve ends.

Hussain, who called the current USG suite "unwelcoming," wished to revamp the organization in a way that would bridge the gap between the student body and its presiding government.

Lam said multiple times that he would "keep an open line of communication...raise awareness, keep everything out there."

And Lubitz, who repeated the phrase "collaborate and communicate" multiple times throughout the night, said that "commuter and resident assistants should communicate, east and west campus should come together; we are one community."

Nevertheless, tensions were evident in the rhetoric employed by the candidates. Heslin repeatedly expressed disappointment in the current USG senate, citing its

bureaucratic inadequacies and lack of good priorities. He also cited "thedraconian budget cuts and poor decisions of those in charge."

Wesley Hawkins, a treasurer candidate and SFC representative, mocked the TAP motto, "who would you rather party with?" by imploring the audience to instead pick the person who they would prefer to represent them. "When going to parties, people make stupid decisions," he said, "let's not make stupid decisions with whom we elect."

Anna Lubitz, responding to a query about efficiency in student government, said she would "not mislead and misinform you of USG procedures, like someone I know," prompting murmurs in the audience, which mostly comprised current USG senators.

USG polls open on SOLAR today and continue through April 15.



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USG candidates hold up T-shirts from The Speech and Debate Society on Tuesday, April 2.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Stony Brook Arts Gallery renamed after donation

By Nina Lin
Assistant Photo Editor

For the first time in Stony Brook history, the Stony Brook Art Gallery is ready for an actual moniker. Now the gallery will bear Paul W. Zuccaire's name, after the namesake of a foundation that's ready to donate half a million dollars to save it.

Through Alice Zuccaire, the donation will be spread over the next seven years

and matched by the Simons Foundation for a total of \$1.5 million according to Alan Inkles, the director for the Staller Center of the Arts.

And in an agreement between the Staller Center for the Arts and the Paul W Zuccaire Foundation, the gallery was to be renamed for the first time since its inception in 1975—the same time Staller, then known as the Fine Arts Center, opened on campus.

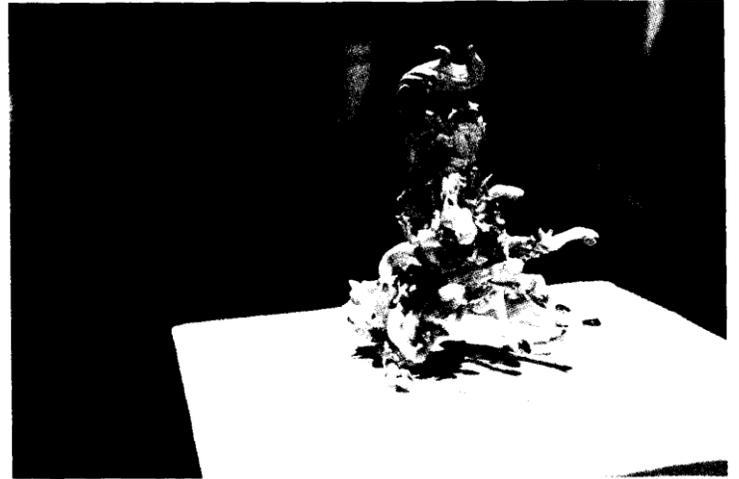
"About 11 years ago, we

had some budget cuts. We always have budget cuts," said Inkles. "There were proposals to cut [the art gallery]. Undergraduate and graduate students, that's how they show their work. If we don't have it, we can't show their art."

Unlike shows in the Staller Center, the art gallery is free to the general public, said Inkles. The only significant source of revenue comes from donations from corporate sponsors to small foundations like Zuccaire's.

The newly named gallery opened up its first viewing, "Chance," two days later, showcasing work from three Stony Brook MFA candidates: Andreas Rentsch, Nicole Robilotta and A. Ezra Thompson.

Alice Zuccaire donated money through the Zuccaire



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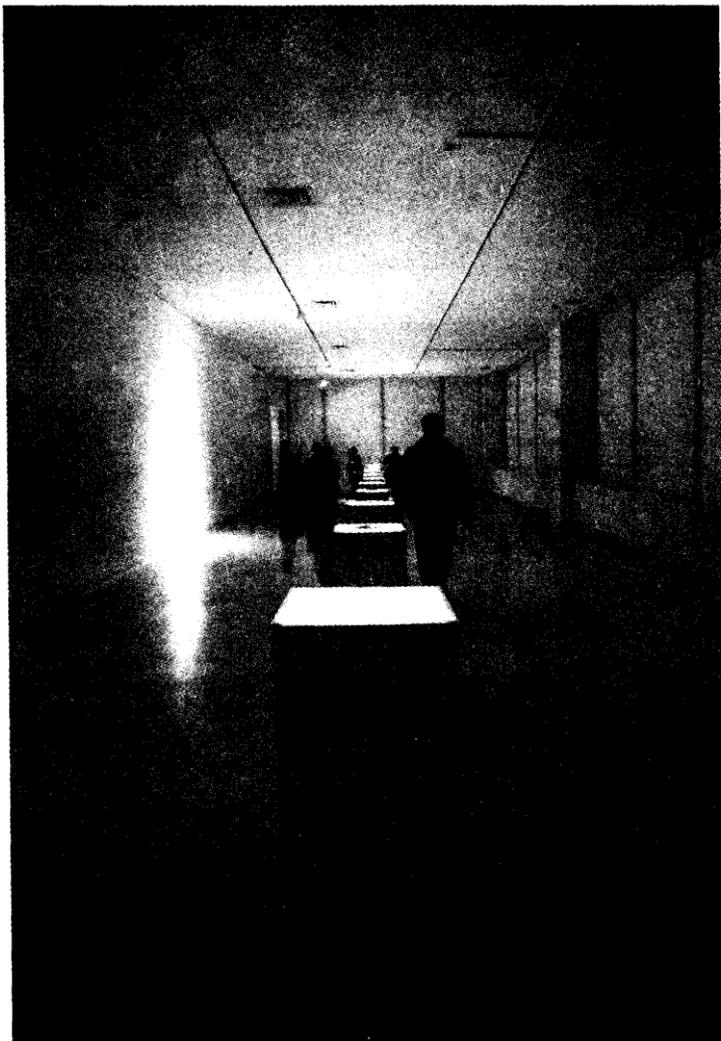
Nicole Robilotta displayed rebuilt fiber-glass dolls.

Foundation for the past ten years to support the gallery.

This year, she pledged enough for a longer lasting solution to the gallery's money problem.

"This is the largest gift

she's ever gave. This is the first renaming we've had since [Staller had] been named 25 years ago," said Inkles. "Art students will be able to continue to show their work, their art, in perpetuity."



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Nicole Robilotta displayed melted glass for her exhibit.



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Artist Ezra Thompson displayed these paintings depicting his childhood memories.

THREE ARTSY EVENTS

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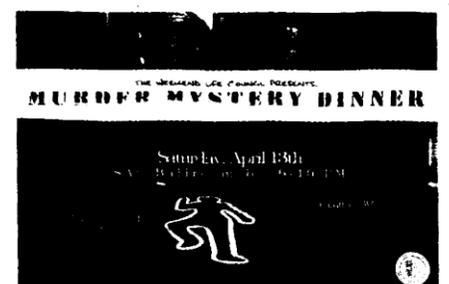
The National Residence Hall Honorary is putting on campus programs for students including inflatables, carnival style booths, snacks and prizes. Performances by SBU vocalists and more will be included. The event starts at 5 p.m. on Friday April 12, 2013 at the SAC.

2) SBU-TV Film Festival

Stony Brook filmmakers will show their films at the Spring Film Festival on April 12, 2013 in the Union Auditorium starting at 7 p.m.. The festival will include food and raffles for attendants. Attendees are required to RSVP for the event.

3) Murder Mystery Dinner

The Weekend Life Council and Pocket Theatre will be hosting a murder mystery dinner at 6 p.m. on April 13 in SAC Ballroom B. There will be food from O Sole Mio being served at 6 p.m., and the actual detective work will start at 7 p.m.



Theatre Arts Department prepares to stage "Hamlet"

By Steven Rossin
Staff Writer

With just days remaining until opening night, the cast and crew that will perform the modern adaptation of Shakespeare's *Hamlet* are busy playing out scenes before the curtain finally rises.

While they have been rehearsing since about the middle of February, the process for which it takes to put on the show has been going on since well before the start of the spring semester. Auditions took place before Thanksgiving in the fall and they have been looking over their scripts since winter break. All of this has prepared them for the core rehearsals they will go through this week leading up to show time.

Students in various roles face different unique challenges in order to make the show run correctly, and they have been facing these challenges on a daily basis each time they rehearse.

One of the biggest challenges for the actors is to convey the meaning of Shakespeare's work to an audience who may not fully grasp the meaning of the story.

"Our job is to make it not boring," said Katherine Gorham, a first year theatre arts major playing the role of H3, part of *Hamlet's* subconscious. "It's our job to convey it so they don't have to sit there with a highlighter and a script."

Another challenge the actors face for this production is performing in

an arena setting.

Instead of facing the audience in one direction, the audience will be seated around them as they perform. The show's theatre director, Valerie Pye, an adjunct in the Theatre Department, sat throughout Theatre One in the Staller Center observing from the different positions the audience will be seated in.

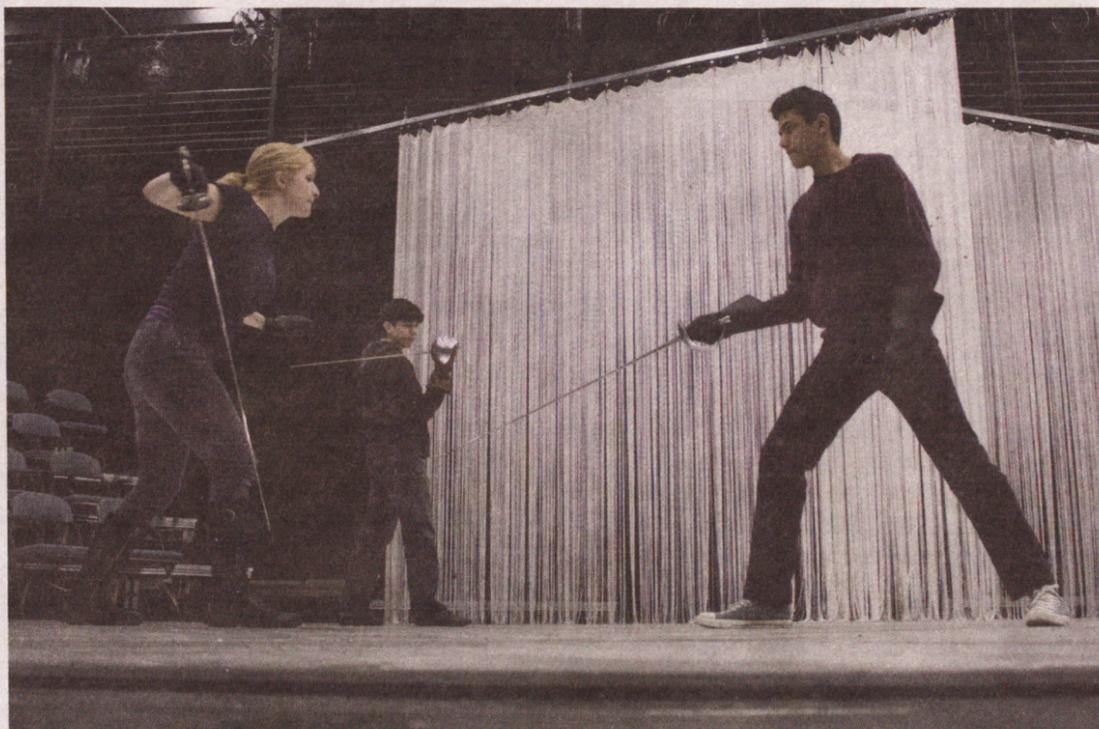
"That was a big challenge because normally in western theatre you perform in front of stadium stages where you have a big arch and the audience is on one side of you," Gorham said, "It's surprisingly challenging."

Senior theatre arts major Jenifer Pritchard is the show's master electrician. She does her work during the day, and part of her role is to teach newer students the basics of her job, which includes connecting cables and hanging lights from the scaffolds. Her primary focus however, is to facilitate an environment that ensures that all the crew and staff perform at their peak.

"My number one goal is to make sure that all the actors are safe on stage, considering all the stuff that's hanging above them," Pritchard said.

Junior theatre arts major Aaron Ryan, the play's stage manager, is responsible for helping oversee all the actors, designers and stage help. If anyone has any problems or needs any help during the course of rehearsal, Aaron is their main contact.

"As stage manager I basically manage the actors during rehearsal,



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Students prepare a fencing scene for the Theatre Department's "Hamlet" production.

and outside rehearsal I am the communication between the directors and all the designers as they prepare for the upcoming performance," Ryan said.

"Once all the rehearsals are done and the director steps out of the way it then becomes my responsibility to make sure things run smoothly, so once those are over I'll be calling all the cues that make the show run."

This is Ryan's first time working as a stage manager. As the rehearsals have progressed one of the challenges

he has faced is the addition of new elements throughout the process.

Some of these encounters include the use of new props, learning the positions actors have during the show, and simultaneously keeping track of elements such as lighting. At a recent rehearsal, Ryan took note with a pen and pad the various positions all the actors will be in during the famous "To be, or not to be" scene.

All of the work is overseen by Pye. She adapted the play for production herself back in the fall.

"My goal was to remain true to the story but at the same time not have a four hour production," Pye said.

She envisioned what she hopes the culmination of their hard work will be when it finally comes time to perform.

"Especially working with Shakespeare, to see it come to life hopefully in a way that is relevant to an audience, and hopefully in a way where you can see the audience's appreciation of that, it is very rewarding," Pye said.

Stony Brook student honored by national arts organization

By Dahlia Ibrahim
Staff Writer

David John Davani may seem like your average freshman at Stony Brook University.

He is 18 years old, is a resident of Tabler Quad, and is in the Honors College.

However, how many freshmen, let alone students at Stony Brook

have been honored for the second time by the National YoungArts Foundation—last year for clarinet and this year for baritone voice—and have recently won the Stony Brook Undergraduate Concerto Competition? Not many.

Davani is originally from Sea Cliff, N.Y., and is currently pursuing a dual degree in biology and music.

The multi-talented musician

says his taking up the clarinet were weighed by two factors: the first, being his grandfather, who also played the same instrument, and the second being an odd encounter at about nine years old with a jazz band clarinetist on a family trip down in New Orleans.

"He pulled me over and said that I looked like a clarinetist," Davani said.

Evidently, the jazz band clarinetist down in New Orleans was right, because the young undergraduate student has proven his impressive musical abilities in more ways than one.

Although he took it up in elementary school, Davani says he did not seriously start studying the instrument until the sixth grade, when he enrolled in the preparatory division of Mannes College The New School For Music, located in Manhattan.

"I really love the instrument," Davani said. "I felt very seriously about it."

The clarinetist expressed his gratitude towards the impressive duo of instructor David Sapadin and mentor Naomi Drucker, both of whom have helped him excel and advance his musical talent.

Sapadin is a freelance clarinetist and a regular player at the Metropolitan Opera and Drucker is a clarinetist of the American Chamber Ensemble, as well as wife of Stanley, the principal clarinetist of the New York Philharmonic for 60 years.

Davani entered his first National YoungArts Foundation competition during the beginning of his senior year of high school and was recognized as

one of the 2012 winners for clarinet.

Up to 150 YoungArts winners are chosen across the country, to participate in master classes, performances, workshops and the opportunity to win up to \$10,000 in individual prize money.

"As a musician, I felt good and I was happy to win," Davani said. "Competitions are subjective and I put my heart and soul into it."

One could tell by his second winning of the National YoungArts Foundation competition that clarinet is not the young musician's only musical talent.

His powerful baritone voice won him the competition the second time around where he was recognized as one of the 2013 winners.

Davani explained that he never really competed on voice until the YoungArts competition.

"Except for recitals, I felt the need to keep my voice to myself," he said. "People would hear me sing and be shocked because it was nothing like my speaking voice."

"My long-term dream in terms of voice would be to National Council Auditions at the

Metropolitan Opera and be able to sing on that stage that I visit so frequently every year," he said.

For a short time during his later years at Mannes, Davani was a member of the Select Chamber Choir, in addition to being the principal clarinetist of the Preparatory Philharmonic.

At the end of his senior year in high school, Davani auditioned both voice and clarinet on the same day for Stony Brook University's music

program.

For voice, he was accepted to take lessons and is currently studying with advanced doctoral student Christopher Reames.

For clarinet, he was accepted by Alan R. Kay, an artist-in-residence, whom Davani said played an integral role in his winning the Stony Brook Undergraduate Concerto Competition, for which he was awarded the Bright Lights Scholarship for music in March 2013.

"I feel very lucky to be able to study with one of the faculty members in the music department," he said. "In the short time studying with Professor Kay, we've done some really great work."

Davani describes his greatest challenge in school as registering for classes so that he has large blocks of time to devote to practicing.

"Aside from that, I manage to do everything," he said.

As if his musical talents and accolades weren't enough to fill up a resume, Davani has proven his extensive scientific abilities.

The double music and biology major was an Intel Science Talent Search Semi-Finalist in high school and was awarded third place in the New York State Science and Engineering Fair in the medicine and health category during his senior year.

As his musical talent continues to shine during the school year at Stony Brook, Davani says this summer he will be continuing his research at the vascular biology center at Winthrop-University Hospital, which is academically connected with SBU.



PHOTO CREDIT: DAVID JOHN DAVANI

Davani has been honored by the National YoungArts Foundation.

"Evil Dead" brings cult classic scares to a whole new generation

By Jon Winkler
Contributing Writer



In 1981, writer/director Sam Raimi came up with the horror story of five friends locked in a cabin in the woods. With that plot, a rumored \$375,000 and gallons of red corn syrup, Raimi created a film that would not only be adored but also mirrored in other horror hits for over 30 years. Its cult audience has praised it for being funny for its corny acting and laughable plot holes, but shuddered at its scary visuals and shock value. It spawned two equally classic sequels ("Evil Dead 2" and "Army Of Darkness") along with the careers of Raimi and actor Bruce Campbell. Whether the proud cult audience cheered or cried out in agony over the fact that Hollywood was remaking the film is irrelevant, because a modern "Evil Dead" seems appropriate now more than ever. The horror movie business has gone through the rise and fall of 'torture porn' in the likes of "Saw", "Hostel" and "The Collector." From there came the rise of handheld-camera scares like "[Rec]", "Paranormal Activity" and "The Blair Witch Project" that brought back the scare of what's lurking in the dark waiting behind your back. So where does "Evil Dead" fit into all of this? Right in the middle since the remake is an enjoyable hybrid of the two.

Relatively new writer/director Fede Alvarez teams with his writing partner Rodo Sayagues, and Oscar-winning screenwriter, Diablo Cody to bring us five new kids on a getaway from the world. This time, it is to help former cocaine addict Mia (Jane Levy) kick her addiction. Mia's brother David (Shiloh Fernandez), his girlfriend Natalie (Elizabeth Blackmore), his friends Olivia (Jessica Lucas) and Eric (Lou Taylor Pucci) bring Mia out to Mia and David's family cabin for the first time since their mother died. The group agrees to not let Mia leave the cabin until her detox is over even though she is not in the best mood. When the group discovers a basement it has never seen before, Eric notices a book wrapped in wire and is tempted to open it. He reads a passage from the book thinking nothing will come of it. Little does he know that he summons something in the woods that is looking for a soul to latch on. Whatever great evil moves in the woods, sees Mia and finds its calling. From there, the possessed Mia tests her human counterparts to survive the night or die in the woods, where there is no escape.

Now it is pretty safe to assume that most of this movie's budget was spent on gross-looking corn syrup, just as it was in the original film. However, this blood fest will creep you out in more ways than one. Big credit is due to Levy, going from sitcom star (ABC's "Suburgatory") to demonic creeper. She is possessed for most of the movie, and she is truly terrifying. Partial credit is due to the makeup department for creating a truly gruesome version of Mia, but



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Actress Jane Levy plays the female lead Mia in "Evil Dead," the remake of the 1981 cult classic of the same name.

Levy herself sells her role as demon-looking to torture the mind and body of these mortals. The things that come out of her mouth (both in speech and in grotesque liquid substance) will make you shiver. Fernandez's David is clearly Bruce Campbell's Ash; the logical but still scared-as-hell male lead who can't make heads or tails of the situation. Pucci's Eric, the whole cause of this scenario, is the nerd of the movie and the only one who accepts that what they are dealing with is paranormal. Lucas and Blackmore only play typical victims in the film, but what they do to themselves during their possession is downright disturbing. The script is casual horror fare; screams, random cries of "OH MY GOD," moments of emotional breakdown and moments the audience is sure to shout "Don't go in there!" What sticks in your memory in this "Evil Dead" is the same thing that stuck with audiences in the original; the perfect balance of scares that make you jump and the ones that make your stomach churn (see what possessed Mia does with a box cutter and her tongue to test your nerves).

Raimi and Campbell produced this remake, and, since they were with "Evil Dead" since the beginning, they know exactly what the fans will want. Fede Alvarez really sells this picture with the right amount of dark imagery from the very first scene to the film's "closing" scene (you'll find that pun funny after you

see the movie). What made the original "Evil Dead" was how it was not afraid of overkill, especially when it came to killing characters. The more body parts are damaged, the more blood spewing out of them, the more quakes and creaks in the cabin, the scarier it can be. The remake follows this formula, and, thanks to new technology and a \$14,000,000 budget, explores new ways to frighten the audience.

Both versions are a loving tribute to the lack of limitations of a B-movie and revels in the fact that it does not let up. There are plenty of references to the original film, but it is not required to see it if you want a real scare. Just wrap your vines around the best horror remake since 2004's "Dawn of the Dead" even 1986's "The Fly." Just see it in daylight; trust me, it helps.



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Mia's estranged brother David (Shiloh Fernandez) searches the woods.

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Keep strong separation between church and state without persecution

By David O'Connor
Managing Editor

One-first century rebel once said, "Render unto Caesar that which is Caesar's; render unto God that which is God's." It'd be a bit of a stretch to suggest that Jesus was endorsing a separation of church and state, and putting words in Jesus' mouth has occasionally gotten people either burned alive or a lawsuit from the ACLU, so it's best to avoid that.

That being said, the separation of church and state has become one of the founding principles of our society. Though the interpretation of the law may vary, the belief in its legitimate standing in our body of law is generally unquestioned. But one has to be careful that their religious and moral beliefs do not subtly or bluntly become public policy. Governance is a difficult business, especially over a vast and diverse country like the U.S.

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A country's diversity or lack thereof should not set a degree for the mandate of government impartiality in religious and moral matters. The United States is fortunate that there is such diversity on so many different

levels that philosophical tyranny of a majority ranges from difficult to impossible, but finding that fine line between maintaining a moral society and making your morals that society becomes even more difficult in a country where one branch of a religion or ethnicity has an overwhelming majority. One need only look at the influence Christianity has had on this country's governance to see that.

However, this can and does go the other way. Ensuring freedom of religion should not mean freedom from religion, but this arguably happens in certain countries that have taken measures to prohibit, for example, the wearing of certain religious clothing such as crosses, head scarves, etc. in public places. Ultimately, it is a sum of a country's people that make its national identity, not what one group, whether a majority or not, believes is right and wants to impose on the rest of the country. Ironically, making laws that suggest that certain people are outcasts leads to them feeling like outcasts. Why should an Algerian immigrant in France, for example, accept the French way of life when they haven't accepted him or her as being legitimately French?

The danger with creating an atmosphere where everyone either has to be on the attack or defense about religion and moral matters is that no one ever wants to talk about it, many of them for noble reasons. But stifling discussion and openness about faith leads to the prejudices and stereotypes that drive groups further apart, which only further expands the perceived divide between different groups.

The fact that these people of varying faiths can get along when they aren't discussing their faith should be an indicator that

they aren't so fundamentally different that they can't hold a simple conversation. Most people have more in common than they have differences. The way you achieve a true melting pot is by establishing civil peace based on what brings different people together rather than what divides them, and what divides them should not lead to one's dominance over the other. That's not civil peace; that's civil war on a different level.

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Returning to the point, the separation of church and state is a delicate balance and must be appreciated as such. As long as people have the internal ability to make their own decisions, the entirety of a population will not share the same beliefs. One would find some differences even in a country of two people. It's not the government's job to decide who is right; it's to govern properly.

In the end, the best way to ensure stability and order among a population is to get involved as little as necessary to prevent chaos.

Keying off of that, the amount of destruction and doom brought with a same-sex marriage or a woman choosing to wear a headscarf has thus far been minimal.

Rising tensions in North Korea

By Keith Olsen
Assistant Opinions Editor

North Korea has been a thorn in the side of the international community for over fifty years, and that most likely won't end any time soon. The North Korean regime is led by Kim Jung-un, the inexperienced and youthful son of former dictator Kim Jung-il. Kim Jung-un is in charge of a militaristic nation that gives the military leaders huge influence. North Korea has been escalating its rhetoric over the past few months, which isn't surprising, considering Kim Jung-un's need to prove himself to the North Korean generals. There's a firm precedent in place in which North Korea threatens South Korea and America, and then negotiations take place. The United States ends up sending fuel and food to North Korea in exchange for concessions with their nuclear program. The rogue state holds the region's security hostage in order for aid, which it wouldn't need if it didn't spend such a large portion of its economic output on military expenditures.

It isn't a rare occurrence for North Korea to threaten America and South Korea, but its threats have become oddly specific recently. It has stated its intent to fire nuclear missiles at Guam and Hawaii in addition to aiming at their southern neighbor. There have been several indicators that North Korea is becoming increasingly serious, such as its cancellation of the 1953 armistice that 'ended' the Korean War. The most serious incident that shows the North Korean regime's interest in increasing the tension on the peninsula is the closing of the Kaesong Industrial Complex. This complex, located in North Korea, is a joint business venture between North and South Korea that employs roughly 50,000 North Korean citizens. It's a major source of revenue for the dictatorship, which shows its commitment to its current course of action.

This will most likely end without violence, but there is a chance that a miscommunication could result in conflict. There have been reports that North Korea is preparing a missile test that the United States might try to intercept mid-flight; if that occurs, then North Korea might respond. That is the most probable situation in which war might break out.

Candidates debate their way towards election



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Undergraduate Student Government presidential candidates argue regarding the issues at the USG Debate on April 2 in the Student Activities Center. From left to right: Adil Hussain, Yiufat Lam and Anna Lubitz.

By Anusha Mookherjee and Michael Cusanelli
Opinions Editor and Staff Writer

In a USG debate hosted by the Stony Brook Speech and Debate Society, this year's candidates for President, Vice President and Treasurer debated for just over an hour on issues that affect students on campus. This election will put in many candidates that have control over the use of the student activity fee, along with providing many services to students. Voting will start Monday morning on SOLAR and will be open for the week.

President

Adil Hussain
The After Party

During the debate, Adil seemed to be the most relaxed of the presidential candidates, often leaning casually over the podium and even dropping a few curse words on occasion. He really connected with the audience and came off as a regular guy, without all of the forced formality of some of the other candidates. One of the big promises Adil made was to keep an "open door" policy for all students to come see him at any time. He stressed transparency and making USG a more personable organization so students feel comfortable walking in to talk with him about their questions, concerns and advice for making the school a better place for everyone. Hussain also wanted to make sure that the

Undergraduate Activity Fee goes toward events that the students choose through more detailed and widely distributed surveys so that more of the student body has a say in where their funding goes. Adil has previously held the position of Vice President of Academic Affairs in the USG.

Yiufat Lam
The HOUSE Party

Yiufat, although well-rounded and knowledgeable about many aspects of Stony Brook, lacked a certain enthusiasm that students may look for in a potential president. Lam also spoke about having transparent communication as president, and also wants to foster better communication between leaders of the various colleges for a more balanced student government. He himself admitted that he lacks any real administrative experience, which came off as both refreshingly honest and a little worrisome. It was nice to see him point out his own faults without other candidates calling him out on it. Though he has had leadership experience at the university as a resident assistant, he did not give off the same sense of confidence and ability that both Hussain and Lubitz did.

Anna Lubitz
Seawolves For Change Party

Anna Lubitz seemed to be on the defensive Tuesday night, often spending a good chunk of her time justifying her past

decisions. To be fair, there were a good deal of attacks from the other candidates, but overall Lubitz came off as sounding phony and unpersonable. Her promises seemed to lack detail and were more generalized than some of the other candidates'. However, as the incumbent president, she has more knowledge of the responsibilities of being president than her opponents, so she may have tapered her responses to reflect that knowledge. Overall, Anna seemed to be nervous, reserved and just a little underprepared for the flak she received from Hussain and Lam.

Executive Vice President

Ryan Heslin
Seawolves for Change Party

As a current USG senator, Ryan Heslin came across as very relaxed and enthusiastic. While he was not afraid to criticize some of the other USG members, he offered realistic and interesting solutions to many of the problems he feels are plaguing the current USG administration. Although Ryan was a very good speaker and energized the crowd, he also came off a bit vague in his opening statement as to what he actually planned on implementing. However, he did make up for this somewhat with his later statements about his responsibilities to the student body.

Mallory Rothstein
The After Party

Mallory Rothstein, also a current USG senator, has much of the same experience as Heslin but lacked some of the enthusiasm and charisma of her opponent. Though she agreed with Heslin in most of her statements, their ideas on meeting formality separated them. While Heslin wants to implement shorter and more focused USG senate meetings,

Rothstein feels that less formality and more open discussion will help allow for a wider range of opinions. Unlike Heslin, Rothstein spent more of her time naming her qualifications for the position instead of rousing the audience.

Treasurer

Wesley Hawkins
Seawolves for Change

Newcomer Wesley Hawkins certainly looked more apt for the job of USG treasurer, dressed in a shirt and tie and eagerly citing his past financial experience managing club funds, such as the Stony Brook club hockey team. However, he lacked the prior experience of current USG senator and opponent Brian McIlvain.

Brian McIlvain
The After Party

Bryan McIlvain, a current USG senator, appeared to be a little less engaged in the debate as his opponent. Dressed only in a polo and slacks, he failed to give off the professional attitude of Hawkins.

Overall, the debate was a good introduction for the upcoming election. It had a great turnout from students, with many of them needing to bring extra seating in. It was clear the main issues revolved around student involvement and transparency of USG. The concert came up in discussion multiple times along with campus dining and new methods of communication. Social media and surveys were the proposed ways to reach out to students. We strongly feel Adil Hussain was the strongest candidate coming out of the debate, along with Ryan Heslin. Wesley Hawkins just shyly edged out his competitor, but the role of Treasurer is still a toss up. Overall, it was an impressive debate, and every candidate stepped up this year and really gave it their all.

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Men's Lacrosse comes close, but loses to Binghamton 14-13

Seawolves down by nine, rally in fourth quarter to tie, only to lose in OT

By Adrian Szkolar
Assistant Sports Editor

Stony Brook completed the comeback, but didn't get the win.

Playing Binghamton at home on Saturday, the Seawolves saw themselves down 13-4 towards

the end of the third quarter and managed to rally and score nine straight goals to bring the game to overtime.

However, with 1:02 left to play in the extra session, Binghamton's Micheal Antinozzi spoiled Stony Brook's comeback, scoring from

12 yards out after the Seawolves failed to capitalize on an extended possession.

Binghamton opened the game with a 3-2 lead after the first quarter, and opened the second quarter with four unanswered goals. After Stony Brook freshman midfielder Challen Rogers ended the run late in the quarter, Binghamton held a 7-3 lead at the end of the first half.

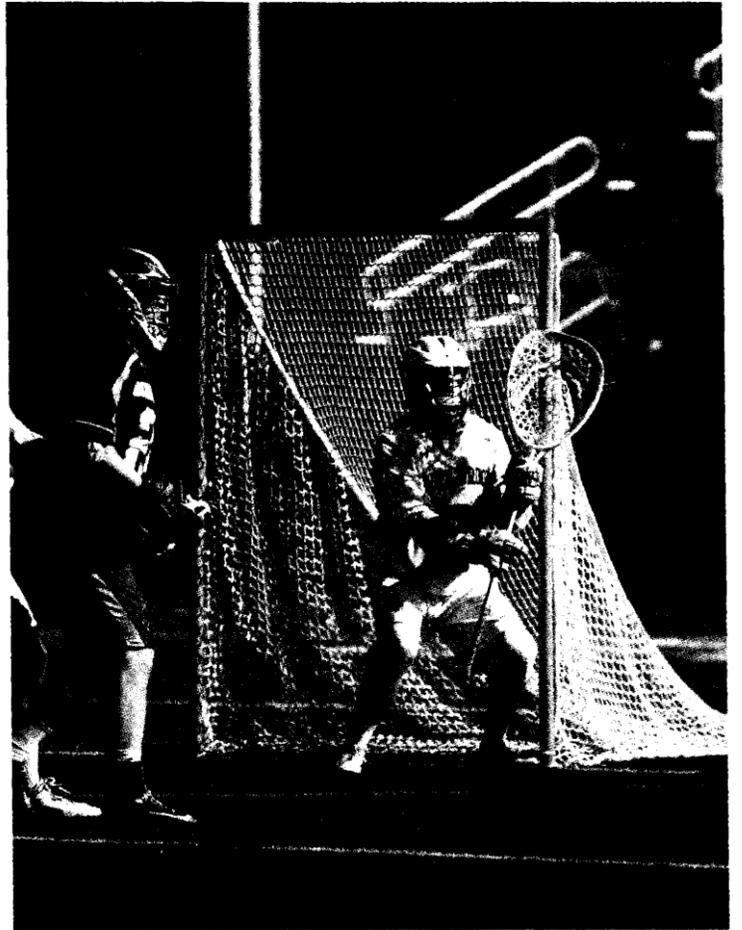
Despite Rogers' goal, Binghamton continued its dominance in the third quarter, scoring the half's first three goals. After Stony Brook's Rogers scored again at the 12:02 mark of the quarter, Binghamton scored three more straight goals and held a 13-4 lead with 5:40 left in the quarter.

Stony Brook sophomore midfielder Mike Andreassi scored with 2:39 left in the third quarter, which would spark the Seawolves' comeback.

After sophomore attack Mike Rooney scored with nine seconds left in the quarter, Stony Brook rang off seven goals in the fourth quarter. Freshman attack Brody Eastwood tied the game with 57 seconds left in the game.

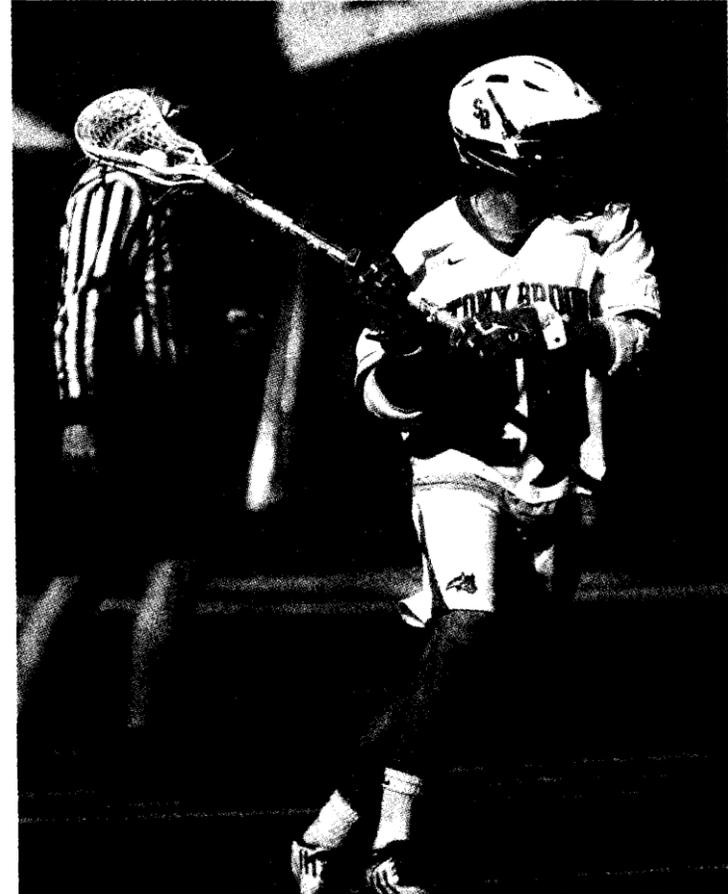
Eastwood and Rogers led the Seawolves with three goals each, continuing their strong rookie seasons. Senior midfielder Jeff Tundo had two goals and two assists for Stony Brook.

Binghamton was led by Matt



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Making his ninth start this season, freshman goalkeeper Dan Shaughnessy made six saves against Binghamton.



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Senior midfielder Jeff Tundo scored two goals and two assists in Saturday's tilt against Binghamton.

Springer, who led all goal-scorers with six tallies. The Bearcats' Alex Doerflein had 13 ground balls.

Binghamton outshot Stony Brook 44-31, and won the ground ball battle 42-23.

Stony Brook freshman

goalkeeper Dan Shaughnessy made six saves in the loss.

The Seawolves are now 1-1 in America East play, and have a 6-5 overall record. They take on UMBC on Saturday at LaValle Stadium at 4 p.m.

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Hockey president Wes Hawkins running for USG Treasurer

By Jessica Suarez
Staff Writer

As current senator of the Undergraduate Student Government (USG) and President of the Stony Brook Ice Hockey Team, junior business major Wes Hawkins is running for the position of treasurer in the upcoming USG elections.

"I am currently a senator for the student government and through being a senator and part of the budget committee, I feel that there are some changes that need to be made and the treasurer position is one way that those changes can be made," Hawkins said.

Specifically, Hawkins hopes to make changes to the USG financial bylaws. He feels that these bylaws need to be rewritten so clubs can better understand the rules.

An example of one rule that Hawkins wants to change has to do with the amount of time the treasurer is given to tell a club that their budget has been frozen or changed. He feels that clubs should be notified immediately if this were to happen.

Hawkins' experience on the budget committee for USG is one of the main reasons why he is running for treasurer.

"Within the budget committee, I haven't necessarily agreed with the direction the



Junior forward Wesley Hawkins, shown here in a game against Delaware in October, is running for USG Treasurer. Hawkins is currently a senator in the organization.

committee is going this year in the aspect of cutting clubs and with regards to certain bylaws and how they are written," Hawkins said.

In his freshman and sophomore years, Hawkins participated in an internship with College Works Painting. He feels the tasks that he performed in this

internship qualify him for the position of treasurer. Hawkins was responsible for a budget over \$200,000.

As the president of the Ice Hockey Team, Hawkins oversees the team's budget. He has also been speaking to students about whether having an ice rink on campus would be beneficial to

student life.

"If there was an ice rink on campus, our team would not have to pay about 30 or 40 grand for ice time that we have to pay for because we play off-campus," Hawkins said. "That would in turn help USG as a whole because that would be more money that could be given back into USG

and spent on other clubs that need the funding."

The Stony Brook Ice Hockey Team receives money from USG to support their team. Even though his role as president of the ice hockey team will conflict with his role as treasurer if he is elected, Hawkins says there is no bias in favor of his team over other clubs.

"My sole purpose of becoming the treasurer really has nothing to do with being current president of ice hockey," Hawkins explained.

Being the president of the ice hockey team, Hawkins feels he has an advantage over the other candidates he is running against because he understands how a club functions and what their needs are.

As senator and vice-president of the sports club council, Hawkins meets with a variety of clubs to hear their problems. If he is elected treasurer, he wants to work to improve funding of all clubs.

"Being a treasurer, I would be able to help out all clubs as a whole with the certain issues that they have," Hawkins said.

A junior from Quarryville, Pa., Hawkins is an assistant captain on the team in addition to his role as president. He is one of the Seawolves' top forwards, scoring 10 goals and 13 assists in 31 games this past season.

Softball wins 7th straight, sweeps Quinnipiac doubleheader

By Joe Galotti
Staff Writer

The Seawolves moved to four games over .500, thanks to a pair of wins against Quinnipiac on chilly Thursday afternoon at University Field. Stony Brook swept the double header winning the first game 5-4 and the second game 6-0.

"I thought our effort in the circle by all three pitchers was real good," coach Megan Bryant said. "We hit the ball, and all and all it was good day for us."

In the first game it was senior Gina Bianculli, who singled home the go-ahead run in the bottom of the sixth, who helped Stony Brook take the victory in

the opener.

After the Bobcats got on the board with an unearned run in the top of the first, the Seawolves responded quickly with three runs in the bottom of the frame. Junior Nicole Hagerty drove in the first run on a sacrifice fly, and sophomore Bria Green and red shirt junior Jessica Zeilman followed with RBI hits to give Stony Brook a 3-1 advantage.

Quinnipiac would come back to take the lead, scoring one in the third, and two in the fourth, to take a 4-3 lead. Stony Brook freshman starting pitcher Jane Sallen lasted three and two-thirds innings and gave up three earned runs.

In the fifth inning the

Seawolves were able to create a run thanks to junior Jessica Combs. She walked to start the inning, and then stole second. She then advanced to third on a groundout, and scored on a wild pitch to tie the game at 4-4.

After the Seawolves took the lead in the sixth, junior Christine Lucido closed out the Bobcats in the top of the seventh, to pick up her eighth win of the season. Lucido pitched three and a third innings in relief without giving up a hit.

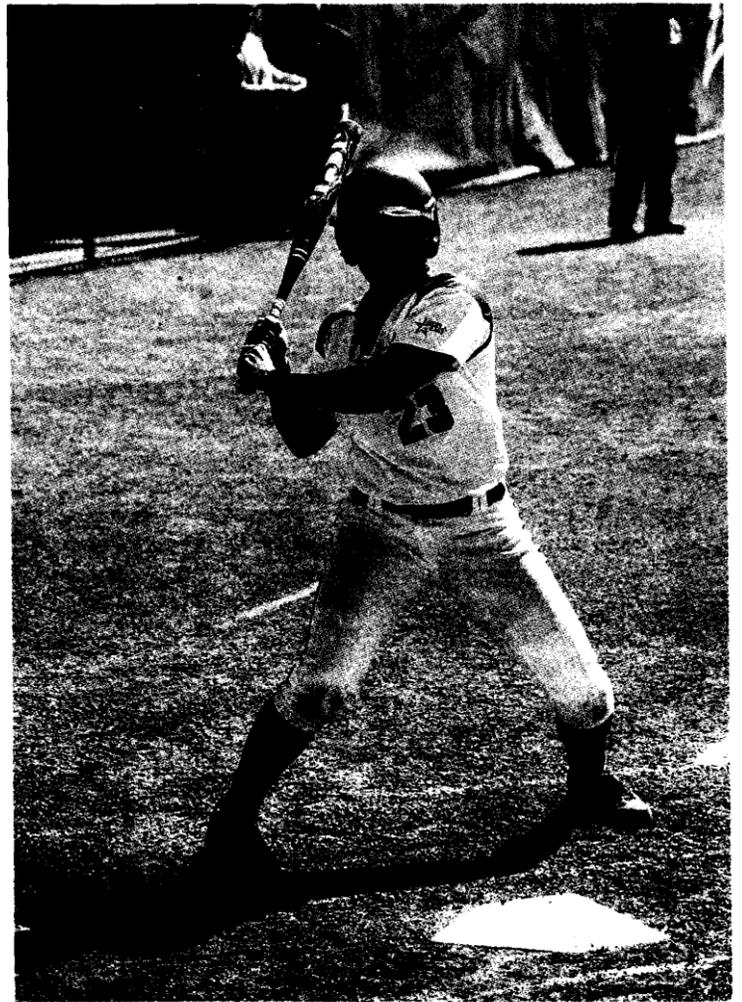
Lucido would then start the second game for the Seawolves, and was once again impressive. The junior pitched four scoreless innings, only giving up one hit, to earn her second win of the day.

"This was one of her best days in a Stony Brook uniform," Bryant said. "She was on point, she was tough, she was efficient, and she gave us a great effort today."

Zeilman got Stony Brook on the board, with an RBI double to right-center field in the bottom of the second. Giosia then had a two run double in the next inning to give the Seawolves a 3-0 lead.

Stony Brook would then break the game open with three runs in the fifth. Sophomore Shayla Giosia drew a bases loaded walk to score the fourth run, before Hagerty singled home the fifth run. Giosia then scored on a wild pitch later in the frame to make it 6-0.

Sophomore Alison Cukrov



Jessica Combs scored on a wild pitch to tie game one.

picked up the save, with three scoreless innings in relief.

The Seawolves have now won 13 out of 15, and seven straight overall. Originally scheduled to travel to Lawrenceville, N.J. on Sunday to play a pair of

afternoon games against Rider, the Broncs cancelled. No make-up is announced.

Instead, SBU will get Sunday off and will play a doubleheader at home against Sacred Heart on Wednesday. First pitch is 2 p.m.



Christine Lucido picked up both wins vs. Quinnipiac.

Native Californian McNitt is studying to be a doctor after playing days are over

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 a fact that boggles most people's minds. They all have different reasons but, according to McNitt, they all want to move back to the West coast after they graduate.

"It's a different environment," he said. "It's just a different world than we're used to; we're used to happy-go-lucky, cruising, whatever, whereas over [on the East coast] it's hectic."

This laid-back California demeanor is something Senk wishes McNitt would improve on. His quietness does not help him when it comes to being a leader.

"He has a lot of things going for him that would allow him to be a leader on the team but I think that, because he's kind of a quiet guy, sometimes Brandon is not as verbal a leader as I would like," Senk says.

For his part, McNitt thinks his biggest weakness is laziness.

"I get lazy at times," he said. "Instead of going home and studying, I go to sleep."

With such a hectic lifestyle, it is no wonder the kid wants to take a nap every once and awhile.

But again, that easy-going manner helps keep him on track.

"Nothing ever bothers me," he said. "So I can have a million things going on and I don't get stressed out, I don't worry about all of them at once."

McNitt says several reasons

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factored into his becoming a Seawolf, but one of the biggest ones was Stony Brook's excellent

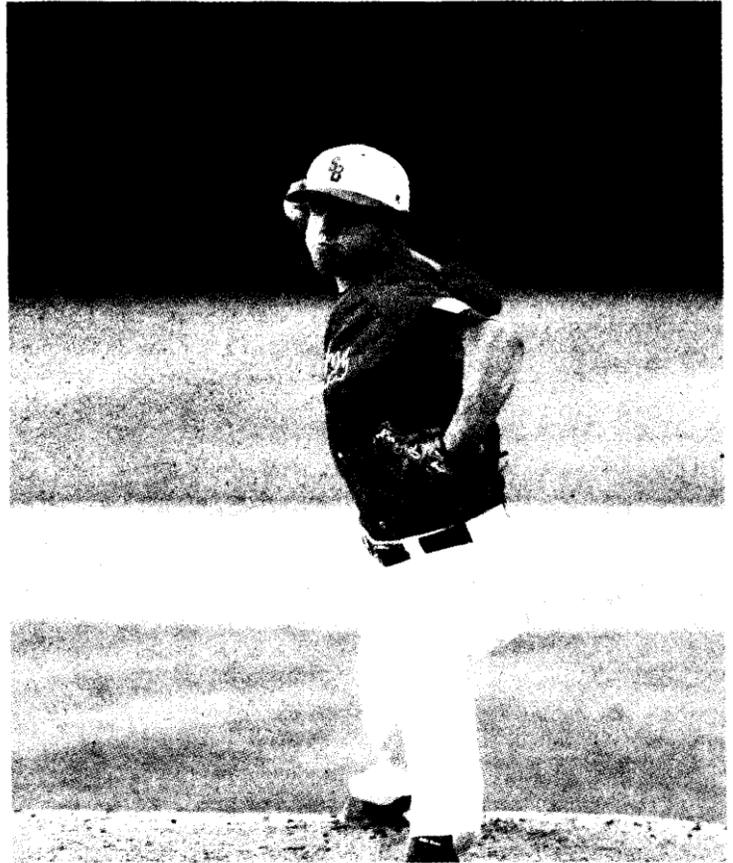
medical program, which McNitt found to be the right fit for him. As a perfectionist, McNitt believes a career in plastic surgery would be right for him because "that's the point of the job, to make people look perfect," and going to a school as prestigious in the medical community as Stony Brook will hopefully help him achieve that goal.

He says his original plan was to use baseball to pay for school, but now, if his baseball career continues, he will continue with it knowing he has his education to fall back on.

"The plan is to ride out baseball as long as I can and then eventually do the whole medicine thing," he said.

As a student and an athlete, McNitt gets to be a part of two things that Stony Brook excels at. And that, he says, is the best.

"Being a part of something that's bigger than you and being able to represent a whole university that is prestigious, it's easy to be a Seawolf," he said. "It's great to be a part of something that's always winning...cause losing sucks."



COURTESY OF SBU ATHLETICS

Junior Brandon McNitt currently has a 4.19 ERA and a 1-3 record through eight starts this season.

Women's Lacrosse continues strong play, defeating UMBC 15-9

Program now alone in first place in America East, extend winning streak to six games

By Jaelyn Lattanza
 Staff Writer

For the first time ever, the Stony Brook women's lacrosse team left Baltimore, Maryland victorious, defeating UMBC. The Seawolves (11-2, 3-0 AE) won its sixth straight game, by six points, with a final score of 15-9.

Only 49 seconds into the

game, senior attack Janine Hillier and sophomore midfielder Amber Kupres gave Stony Brook a quick 2-0 lead. The Seawolves held onto a six-point lead in the first half, allowing UMBC to only score three, going into the lockerroom with a 9-3.

Senior midfielder Demmianne Cook scored a hat trick in the first half and had two assists. She

is the nation's leading goal scorer with 57 goals on the season, and is also six goals away from tying her own single-season program record of 68 goals.

Junior goalkeeper Frankie Caridi made three saves in the half.

The Seawolves continued to fight in the second half. Hillier put two more in the net and senior midfielder Kaitlyn Harrison added one just before UMBC's sophomore midfielder Alyssa Semones took one back making the score 12-5. After receiving two yellow cards, Cook had to sit out for the remaining 17:59 of play.

But the Retrievers never gave up. With 12:51 left, Caridi saved a shot by UMBC's freshman attack Sam Nolan right before Stony Brook turned it over. UMBC fired back as sophomore attack Abby Wilson scored off of an assist from junior midfielder Shannon Harkey, bringing her team within six, 14-8. Harkey scored one of her own on a free position shot, cutting Stony Brook's lead to five, 14-9, with 8:10 left.

After that, the Seawolves sealed the deal. Sophomore midfielder Michelle Rubino controlled a draw and later scored a goal that increased the lead back to six, 15-9.

Harkey was given another free position shot to close the gap, but Caridi denied it, finishing the game with six saves. She played a great role in helping her team hold an opponent to single-digits for the 12th time this season.

Stony Brook outshot UMBC, 23-22. Hillier led the Seawolves with four goals and one assist. Kupres finished with three goals and Cook finished with three



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Senior midfielder Janine Hillier starred in Saturday's game against UMBC, scoring a team-high four goals.

as well, plus one assist. Rubino scored two goals with one assist and senior attack Claire Petersen finished with one goal and one assist.

Harkey scored three goals and added two assists for UMBC.

With both teams unbeaten in America East play coming into the game, Stony Brook now holds sole possession of first place in

the conference.

With one win shy of matching its longest win streak in school history (seven in 2007), the Seawolves will take on New Hampshire, away, on Saturday, April 13 at 12 p.m. next.

The Seawolves are 3-7 all-time against New Hampshire, but won last year's meeting at LaValle Stadium 12-10.



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Senior defender Melissa Rotante made her 19th start this season, starting in every game this season.

SPORTS

Baseball swept by UAlbany *Drop all three games over weekend*

By **Catie Curatolo**
Assistant Sports Editor

Despite two homers from Kevin Courtney and a three-hit day on Sunday for Cole Peragine, the baseball team was swept by the University at Albany this weekend. They dropped both games of a doubleheader on Saturday, 5-4 and 9-6, before falling 4-3 in Sunday's matchup.

The Seawolves drop to 4-8 in the America East and 9-21 overall with this weekend's losses.

Stony Brook had a 4-0 lead in game one behind the pitching of junior Frankie Vanderka, but the Great Danes bit back in the sixth. A two-out single from Gordon Madej scored the runners from second and third to make it 4-2, and a two-run homer from Josh Nethaway tied the game.

Stony Brook brought in freshman Tim Knesnick for the seventh inning. He gave up a single to Greg Muller, who then advanced to second on a wild pitch. Albany's catcher Evan Harasta then came up and blasted a single to left field to bring in Muller and end the game.

Vanderka walked none and struck out four, allowing four runs and six hits in six innings. Knesnick took the loss after giving up the game winning run and is now 2-1.

Albany immediately turned it on in the second game, scoring four runs in the second off SBU starter Brandon McNitt. The junior gave up a bases loaded triple to Albany's Nolan Gaige to make the score 4-0.

The Great Danes scored two more runs, making it 6-0, before the Seawolves started to come back. SBU was largely helped by Courtney, a junior, who smashed a two-run

home run over the right field wall in the fourth and another two-run homer to the same spot in the eighth.

Despite having the bases loaded and the tying run at the plate in the ninth, Stony Brook could not complete the comeback. A sacrifice fly and two strikeouts ended the game and gave Albany their second win of the day.

McNitt walked two and struck out six over seven innings. He dropped to 1-3 after giving up eight runs and nine hits.

Peragine and senior Tanner Nivins had multi-hit games, combining for six hits. Freshman Jack Parenty, who previously had hit safely in 18 consecutive games, went 0-for-4 in both games, ending his streak. The Seawolves had 15 hits on the day, but also struck out 19 times.

Sunday's game went much the same way, with SBU stranding a season-high 15 men on base in the 4-3 loss.

Albany took the lead with a four-run inning in the fourth, making the score 4-1. Although SBU had several chances to tie, it could not convert the runners into runs. The closest it got was in the sixth inning, when Courtney hit a ground ball to third. Peragine, who was on third base, started to go, but got caught in a rundown and was tagged out. Freshman Johnny Caputo then struck out to end the inning and the Seawolves chance to tie.

Stony Brook continued to put runners on in the final innings, but could not get a run in.

Freshman starter Daniel Zamora took the loss, allowing four runs on four hits. He struck out eight and walked one over the course of seven innings. He dropped to 1-6 with the loss. Over his last 13-1/3 innings



CATIE CURATOLO / THE STATESMAN

Infielder Cole Peragine had three hits on Sunday's game against Albany, but Stony Brook still lost 4-3.

pitched, he has struck out 17 batters.

Courtney, who has a total of eight home runs as a Seawolf, finished the series 4-for-9, with two home runs and 5 RBI. Peragine added three hits on Sunday, hitting safely in five consecutive games. The Seawolves finished the series with 23 hits.

The Seawolves will play Iona at

Iona on Tuesday before returning home for their next five games. They play a non-conference matchup against Manhattan College at Joe Nathan Field on Wednesday, before starting a three-game conference series against Hartford on Friday. First pitch against Manhattan is at 3:30 p.m.



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Outfielder Tanner Nivins went 3-for-7 over Saturday's two games. He has a .215 average in 26 games this season.

Balancing baseball and biology

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It's all about focus for Brandon McNitt.

A right handed pitcher who moved to number one in the Seawolves starting rotation this season, he is also currently a biochemistry major who hopes to one day become either an anesthesiologist or a plastic surgeon.

With such a loaded schedule and heavy workload, McNitt, 21, has to work to keep himself regimented.

"You have to be disciplined enough to use your time wisely," he said. "The way I go about baseball and school is pretty similar, you focus for an hour or two and then you take a break."

A junior, this is his third year as a starter. Head coach Matt Senk says he chose him as number one because he relies on McNitt's intelligence on the mound.

"He's a very good student and I think Brandon takes that intelligence to the field," Senk said. "He's a smart baseball player, he's extremely competitive—a combination of intelligence and competitiveness with a real good arm makes for a very effective pitcher."

A self-proclaimed "perfectionist," McNitt threw 3-2/3 innings in the College World Series last year, giving up nine runs (only four were earned).

Although he says that it is a confidence booster to have pitched at the highest level known to college ballplayers, he tries not to let it get to his head.

"That's when bad things happen," he said. "You get a big head and things start to go downhill and you try to do more and it snowballs."

So far this season, McNitt has started seven games for the 9-16 Seawolves. He has a 1-3 record, with 30 strikeouts and a 4.19 ERA.

"My goal personally is to do well, do the best that I can to help our team win," he said. "The main goal is to be consistent."

McNitt is originally from California. He attended Bishop Amat High School, where he was a three-year varsity baseball player, a two-year letterwinner in football and a member of the National Honors Society.

McNitt says the decision to attend school on the complete other side of the country was a no-brainer because "it's four years of your life living in New York." The scholarship he received and the chance of ample playing time as an underclassman, combined with the fact that Stony Brook has a good science program, made SBU the easy choice.

Interestingly, many of McNitt's teammates are also Californians,

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