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Long lines at USB mark the new semester



Students wait on line in the Administration Building to get everything squared away for the spring term.

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A Weekly Guide to Campus Events Monday, February 1, 1993

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Flea Market. Every Monday 8:30am - 4:30pm in the Stony Brook Union Bi-level

"Invisible No More" Photography exhibit by O'Neill Robertson. Monday - Friday, 12pm - 4pm, Stony Brook Union Art Gallery. Call 2-6822.

Department of Music, Stony Brook Chorale. 7:30pm, Room 0113, Basement Staller Center for the Arts. Call 2-7330.

Live Poets Society, Poetry Contes in honor of Black History Month. Deadline Feb. 12. Call 581-2214

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Poster Sale. Fireside Lounge, 10am - 5pm

Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Science Grand Rounds. Level 2, Lecture Hall 4, Health Sciences Center, 11am - 12:30pm. Call 4-2988

Teleconference, "Everybody's Business: HIV/AIDS on Campus." 1pm - 3pm, Room 105, Javits Lecture Center.

Stony Brook Fencing Club. Main Arena, Indoor Sports Complex, 8pm - 10pm. Call 585-8006.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds, "Neurologic Manifestations of Lyme Disease." Dr. Anita Belman, 8am, Level 3, Lecture Hall 6, Health Sciences Center. Call 444-2710.

Black History Month Opening Ceremony and Reception. 12:40pm - 2pm, Fireside Lounge, Stony Brook Union. Call 2-7470.

University Hospital Diabetes Support Group. 2:30pm, Conference Room 084, 12th Floor, University Hospital. Call 444-1202.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Black History Month Presentation, "Ruby Remembers Martin." 7pm, Staller Center for the Arts, \$6; \$3 for Students. Call 2-7230.

Welcome Back Party. 9pm - 1am, Stony Brook Union Ballroom. Call 2-6828.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Bob Marley Day. Fireside Lounge, Stony Brook Union. Call 2-7470

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation Services. 5pm, Roth Quad Dining Hall, lower level. Call 2-6565.

G.O.C.A. Film, Under Siege. 7pm, 9:30pm and Midnight, room 100, Javits Lecture Center. \$1.50; \$1.50/SID.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6

National Girls and Women in Sports Day. 9:30am - 4pm, Indoor Sports Complex. Call 2-9271

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

African American Read-in. 6pm, Keller International College and Campus Residences, Theater II, Staller Center For the Arts. Call 2-6766.

OPENING WEEK ACTIVITIES

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Binghamton president says no to arms

By David Joachim
Statesman Editor Emeritus

Binghamton University President Lois B. DeFleur last month struck down a recommendation from an advisory committee that called for giving campus police officers access to guns.

"Given Binghamton University's low rate of violent crime, I find no reason to change our policy regarding firearms at this time," DeFleur wrote in a Dec. 9 letter explaining her decision. "We will continue to call on [local] police and other law enforcement agencies when needed."

The decision came less than six months after the university's Personal Safety Advisory Committee called on the president to give Public Safety officers "access to appropriate firearms." Since then, the issue has sparked several town meetings and student protests, including a resolution from the undergraduate student government condemning an armed security force, said Evan Farber, executive vice president of the student government.

"We were very opposed to it," Farber said. "It just didn't seem that the current practice of calling outside police endangered the campus."

Binghamton Public Safety officials did not return repeated calls for comment.

Stony Brook president John Marburger and university law officials said that the upstate college's decision not to arm its force would not affect a decision here. "The locations of the schools are too different," Marburger said in a phone interview last night. "It's hard to think of a strong argument for arming at Binghamton."

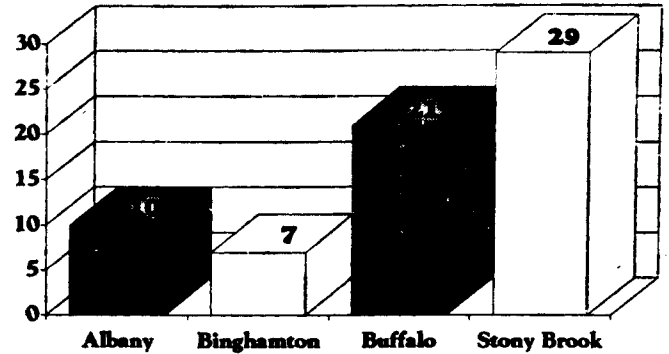
In fact, a survey of crime statistics gathered from the four university centers shows Stony Brook with the highest rate of violent crimes for the last common available year, 1991. Stony Brook ranks highest in the assault category, with 18 that year. Binghamton, however, has the fewest violent crimes of the four.

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Violent Crimes in 1991 in each school

Violent Crimes includes murder, rape, robbery, assault, & weapons possession.

Shaded = Armed
Not Shaded = Unarmed



Marburger still unsure on arming

Stony Brook's gun debate will enter its home stretch this week when a university committee assigned to researching whether to give campus police access to firearms reports its findings to University President John Marburger.

Armed with the result of the committee's yearlong look into the issue, Marburger, who has sole authority on the issue and whose decision cannot be challenged, plans to make a ruling by semester's end, he said in a phone interview last night.

Marburger will make the report public soon after he receives it to field campus feedback, he said.

"What is it that people really feel is right or wrong with arming?" he said. "I've said from the beginning that I'm not interested in votes or petitions... I am interested in knowing what the reasons are."

Gail Habicht, chairwoman of the committee, said the committee was not assigned to make a recommendation, but to compile a report based on its findings. "It has to be my decision," Marburger said, "but to make it I need a basis for my decision."

The University Safety Council was the second group assigned to look into the issue's pros and cons since a shooting during a campus concert in February, 1991, sparked support among several administrators for arming Public Safety. The last time Marburger weighed the issue was in 1983, when he denied a Public Safety plea to arm the force to respond to rising campus crime rates.

Marburger said his final decision will be based on the information compiled by both committees and last minute feedback he gets from the campus community.

New York is one of only two states in the country that does not require campus law enforcement agencies to have access to guns, according to SUNY spokesman Ken Goldfarb. In SUNY, though, Stony Brook is among the majority — only six of the 29 four-year college campuses in the system have armed police: The centers at Albany and Buffalo, and the colleges at Brockport, Buffalo, Cobleskill and Geneseo.

Marburger stressed that a recent Binghamton University decision not to arm its force would have no effect on his decision.

— David Joachim

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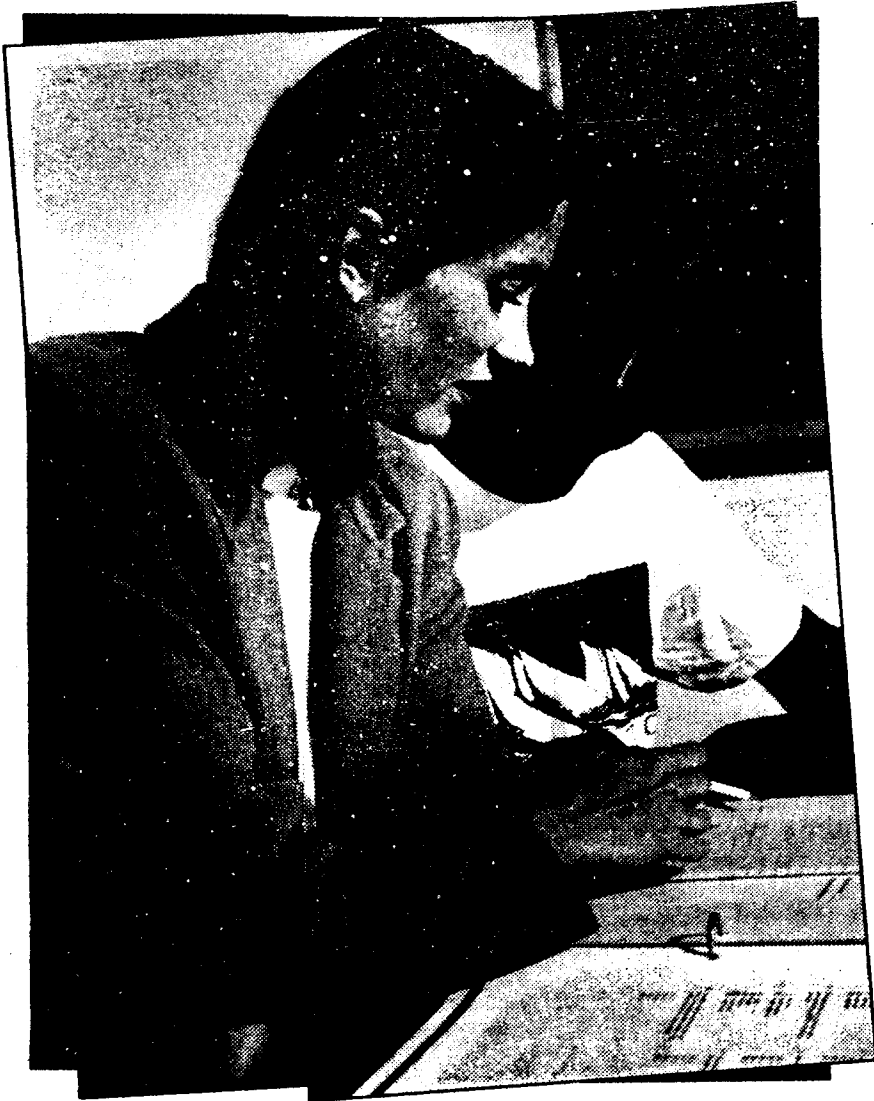
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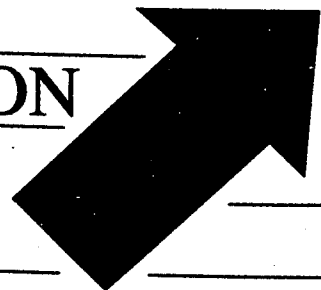
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Students face charges

Two top Pats surrender after burglary

By Krista A. DeMaria
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

Three Stony Brook students face charges of second degree burglary after a witness spotted the men loading a vehicle outside Hamilton College on Jan. 16 at around 2 am and called Public Safety.

Senior Emeka Smith, 21, senior Curtis Bunch, 24; two of the top Patriot Basketball players; sophomore Ian Golash, 20, and David Wilks, 23, who is not a Stony Brook student, were arrested.

Lt. Doug Little, public safety spokesman, said that Officer Ruland and Officer Stumpf responded to the call and made the official arrests. "The phonecall sparked the initial action," said Little.

"There is a joint investigation with the sixth precinct and after their arrest they were lodged at the county jail."

According to Suffolk Det. Gary Miller, Ian Golash and the driver of the car, whose name cannot be released because he was not charged, were brought in early morning after the other three individuals fled from the scene. "After questioning the driver it was felt that he had no knowledge of the burglary," Miller said. "The stolen items were a VCR, a television, a word processor, a compact disc player, 64 compact discs and school books—approximately \$3,000 worth of equipment."

"Through the investigation, information developed that there were three other perpetrators," said Miller. Wilks, who was staying with his girlfriend in Stony Brook, was arrested



Senior Emeka Smith



Senior Curtis Bunch

on campus the same day, he said. Smith, who is the teams all-time leading scorer, and Bunche got word that the police were looking for them, Miller said. "Through the grapevine they heard we knew it was them involved," said Miller. "They called us and made arrangements for them to surrender."

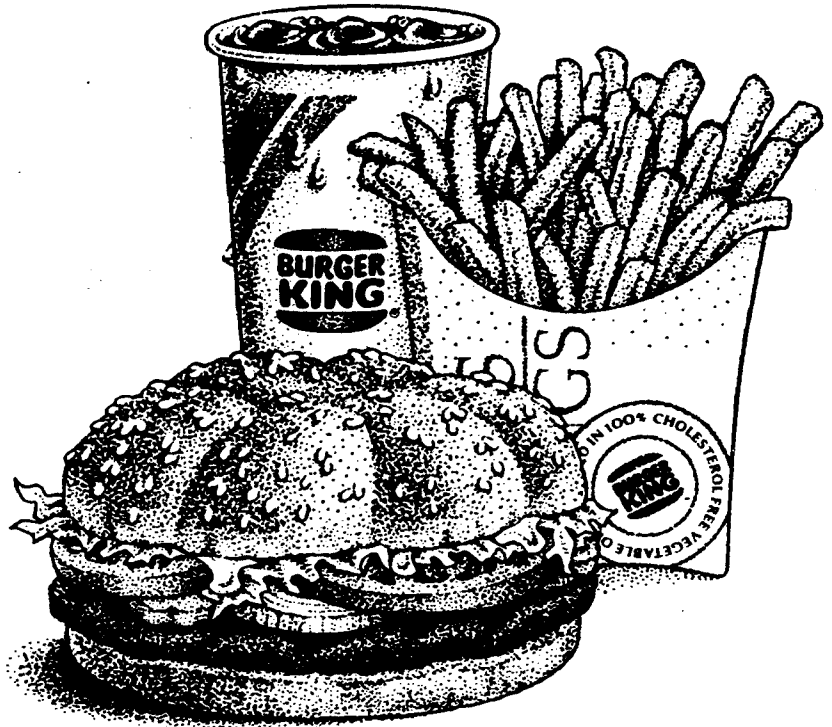
Bunch and Smith admitted participation in the crime and were released on their own recognizance. "These guys aren't desperados, they are students," said Miller.

According to Miller, each suspect was given an opportunity to tell their side. Miller said Smith had a master key and once they broke into the building through a ground floor window they used the key to gain access to the bedrooms. "There were only two suites broken into, that we're aware of," said Miller. "There was one on the first floor and one on the third floor."

According to first district court, Smith is the only one with a prior record; one charge involving petty larceny that is still pending.

Miller said he believes all of the stolen items have been recovered, therefore there is no restitution. "The maximum sentence for something like this is 5-15 years in prison, but since everything has been returned they'll probably get community service or probation," said Miller. "I definitely don't see the maximum."

Students will meet in front of the Student Judiciary Board on Feb. 5 and will appear in Suffolk County Criminal Court on Mar. 5.



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Thieves loot computer lab Equipment worth over \$35K still missing

By Krista A. DeMaria
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

Burglars stole \$37,000 worth of equipment from a computer laboratory in the Computer Science Building, on Dec. 29.

Lt. Doug Little, public safety spokesman, said there was no forced entry because the perpetrators had a key to the room; but the security plates, a metal strip which bolts the system to the table, were bent enabling the systems to be freed.

According to Nancy Duffrin, Coordinator for Instructional Computing, there are about 3500 students who are given keys to the laboratory.

The lab is supposed to be accessible to the students, she said.

Edward Grillo, a custodian for the building, discovered the theft when he arrived at work the next morning. "I saw machines missing," said Grillo. "The [security plates] were broken, and I realized they were stolen."

Duffrin said there were three computers, three disk drives, a printer, a Networking Multiport, and printing toner stolen.

"These people knew which machines

to take because there were others with less security," said Duffrin. "They brought in tools to really work on taking the units apart."

Brian Tria, Director of the Computer Science Labs, said the systems were taken to be used, not sold. "They basically took it to set up a work group for themselves and network them," said Tria. "These are machines you can't sell on a street corner."

Since the burglary, the department is taking precautions and installing extra security on the systems. Kathryn Germana, a secretary in the building, is the only person who has a key to the laboratory. "We have had special locks put on with no master key for the system," said Germana. "The installation of new improved security plates, which are about four times the size and strength of the old security plates, is near completion."

Little said the case is still pending and under investigation. Suffolk County Police are also involved and are following up on information.

If anyone has any information involving this case, please contact Lt. Doug Little at 632-7786. All information will be kept confidential.

Finally, GSO becomes unionized

By Vincent Grasso
Statesman Associate News Editor

Unionization of the Graduate Student Organization, which involves all SUNY campuses, finally passed, on Dec. 18, after teacher assistants and graduate students voted in favor of being represented by the Communications Workers of America in negotiations with the state. Unionizing the group has been an issue for over a decade, and during the summer New York State Supreme Court Appellate Division approved the organization of a union.

According to the New York State Public Employment Relations Board, the vote came in as 1,936 votes for rep-

resentation by the CWA, 3388 votes against. Ten votes were considered void and 129 of the votes have been challenged, meaning some signatures on the ballots have been questioned or that the status of the voter is in question. 2,413 votes were cast out of a possible 3,932 eligible graduate students and teachers assistants.

"The NYS Public Employment Relations Board is a statewide, neutral agency that conducted the elections," said Harvey Milowe, one of the directors at PERB.

PERB issued a certification when all the votes were tallied, that allowed the graduate students to begin collective bargaining with the State in order to draw up

a contract.

"For 13 years Graduate Student Employees Union have been fighting for the right to be legally recognized by the state as a public employees union," said John Nolan, former president of the GSEU.

Despite the fact that the graduate students and the teacher assistants are now recognized by the state, not much will change in their duties or responsibilities, said Nolan.

Unionization does mean, however, that they are subject to the Taylor Law, which prohibits them from striking, said Jeff Lacher to Statesman earlier this year.

"The process will now move forward."

— Ken Goldfarb
Spokesman for
SUNY Central

"The process will now move forward," said Ken Goldfarb, spokesman for SUNY Central.

As far as the concerns of graduate students now, Emily Zakin, vice president of the Graduate Students Organization said that the GSO no longer has to deal with issues of employment and can now deal with other issues concerning graduate students.

"Each SUNY campus will send one representative to Albany to represent them," said Zakin.

With the vote in favor of unionization; the union, which includes all SUNY campuses, is now the largest graduate student union in the nation.

Statesman may surprise public with daily eye-opener

With this column, I celebrate three years of uninteresting chatter with my face stuck to it. In that time, I've tried to share a little insight into everything from SUNY budget reform to professors who can't speak English, from rising dorm rent to Stony Brook sports.

But this one will go in the annals of Stony Brook history, if there are any. This one will mark a crossroads for Stony Brook, and it also happens to be about my favorite topic. The stuff that makes my heart tick like news radio background music: newspapers. *Statesman*, in particular.

Yes, years from now, when you recall an era that changed the face of the campus forever, you will remember you read it here. Well, probably not, but I'll tell you anyway. But you have to promise to care.

Good. Well, here it is: Your campus newspaper, that Stony Brook journal you often find on the floor next to the toilets, plans to become a daily morning paper sometime this semester. But not yet.

We need you to tell us if it'll work first.

You see, it all looks good on paper. Readers get more timely, more diverse news four days a week. (Discount Fridays for obvious Stony Brook reasons.) A herd of potential student staff members comes charging in, looking to be a part of the hottest, yet longest-running student organization on campus. Advertisers write huge checks just to be seen in such a well-read, well-rounded newspaper, which runs all-purpose stories, not just that boring Polity and SUNY budget stuff.

That's right, in one concise, easy-to-read, free newspaper, you would get an update on the crisis in Iraq on one page, a snapshot of yesterday's biggest Stony Brook happenings on another, maybe even your horoscope on another. (We're still a bit at odds on that one.)

But the questions remain: Is this what you want? Will it work? Can something so cool happen at Stony Brook? And most of all, can we pull it off? I've been with the paper four years and was its editor for more than two years, and I'm having a lot of trouble finding the answers.

A daily newspaper *does* seem inevitable here, though. Like *Statesman*, Stony Brook is at a crossroads in its history, where it must redefine itself to adapt to changing demands. That's what all that talk about Division I sports is about. To its credit, the university has launched a series of initiatives like that one, which proves that it's no longer just talking about making a name for itself, it's doing something about it. And it's predictable that something good will come of it.

Statesman's dilemma is quite different, but it stems from a lot of the same sources:

- Four rounds of state budget cuts have forced rising tuition and declining financial aid, so those who used to volunteer on something like a newspaper in college have to work 40 hours a week to pay for school. We're left with a staff that is as small as it is frail.

- Like many other papers that rely on advertising revenue, a stinging Long Island recession has hit us hard. We've laid off as many as five full-time staffers since 1990 to respond to our shrinking budget. That's a lot of cutting for a company that takes in less than \$300,000 a year.

- And most traumatic of all problems, we seem to gradually be losing your interest. While most people on campus read the paper for necessary information, there isn't that excitement attached to it anymore. Sure, it's hard to expect to compete with the *Statesman* of the '60s, which covered the most violent and interesting period in Stony Brook's history. But obviously there's something we could be doing better.

We do have many factors in our favor. We still are an award-winning paper recognized every year for fine content. We still have a strong readership and strong advertising base. Also, *Statesman* still is the most widely circulated student newspaper in SUNY and on Long Island. And now there is more hope than ever in attracting a journalism program here, as Stony Brook is restored some of the money it lost through budget cuts, and two local journalists — Pulitzer Prize winner Robert Greene and political columnist Alan Eysen — retire from journalism and concentrate more on Stony Brook's journalism instruction. And they're pushing for a major.

But the problems remain. Right now, we lack a journalism major that would attract student journalists; unlike other American daily student newspapers who rely on off-campus circulation, our community has historically shown little interest in us; being so close to the media capital of the world, a free student publication that runs national, international and state news is not in much demand; half the student population commutes from home; and advertisers may not go for it.

Big obstacles, but we're shooting for March 1 for our first daily edition. We admit it doesn't look easy, but even if we try and we fail, at least we can say that we tried to restore some excitement in Stony Brook's blah life.

Any thoughts? Let me know. I can be reached at 632-6479, and our new acting editor, Krista A. DeMaria, can be reached there, too. Or, write at Student Union room 075, Campus Zip #3200. Or just come down to room 075 on Wednesday or Sunday nights and let us know what you think. We can't do it without you.



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While you were away...

Poor turnout in January's Financial Aid workshop

By Tom Zbikowski
Special to Statesman

Few students attended a Financial Aid workshop, conducted to assist students in filling out their financial aid forms, at SUNY Stony Brook on Jan. 13, to celebrate Financial Aid Awareness Month, which is coordinated by New York State Financial Aid Administrators Association and the New York state higher education services corporation.

"There were over 200 responses to the workshop, but only 85 students showed up," said Senior Financial Aid Advisor Donna Sullivan. "They probably couldn't make it because of the bad weather."

Junior Martin Rodriguez didn't know about the workshop, and criticized the financial aid office for not publicizing it well enough. "Had I known about the financial aid workshop I would have definitely attended it to avoid these long lines," Rodriguez said.

Sophomore Frances Singer said she read about the workshop after it happened and was angry that she didn't know about it sooner. "I read about it in the Staten Island Advance, my local newspaper," said Singer. "Had I known about it sooner, I defi-

nately would have gone."

St. Thomas Aquinas College was one of the New York colleges that held a financial aid workshop, and Financial Aid Counselor Robert Lauer said his workshop was very successful. "We had an overwhelming response over 200 students, who attended our workshop," said Lauer. "We went over each question, line by line, to make sure nobody was lost and the majority of the students who took this workshop are not waiting on long lines now."

According to Lauer, his office provided extensive information about the workshop. It was publicized throughout high schools for incoming freshmen, there were advertisements in the local and college papers, and flyers were hung on the campus, he said.

Sullivan, who set up the Stony Brook workshop, said there were flyers hung around campus but students had to take the initiative to find out about upcoming events by coming to the office and looking at the financial aid bulletin board, which posts the current news. "Stop by the financial aid office window," said Sullivan. "Pick up all the current information the office puts out."

Conference unites campus community

By Krista A. DeMaria
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

While the students were away the staff went to play in the fourth annual Student Affairs Staff Enrichment Conference, called Exploring New Horizons, held at SUNY Stony Brook on Jan. 12.

"The Conference offered a breadth of topics that reflected personal and professional skills needed by student affairs service providers working within the dynamic and ever changing environment of a university's population," as described in the the Conference Guide.

Rachel Moore and Ivan Ernest were co-chairmen of the conference committee, which has met weekly since September. "This is the first year the conference was expanded beyond student affairs staff because we thought it would be a good thing to accommodate everyone," said Moore. "It was open to all; staff, faculty, and students."

Moore said that approximately 160 people registered for the conference, more than ever before. "This conference is for personal enrichment," said Moore. "University professionals can use so many things offered that are fun; topics that have to do with interpersonal relations."

The workshop offered 26 different presentations chosen by the committee, and participants had two one-hour and a half sessions they could attend. "The

committee compiled and decided on what presentations would take place," said Moore. "The presenters were volunteers from the university community who sent in proposals to the committee."

Ernest said the conference budget was approximately \$1,000, which went towards refreshments and printing information.

Gloria Brown, from Student Affairs, is a member of the committee who took care of advertising the conference. "We used flyers, letters, word of mouth, and the electric mail," said Brown.

The keynote speaker was Police Officer Steven McDonald, who is paralyzed from the neck down after being shot in Central Park while on duty with the NYPD. McDonald was not available comment.

Joanna Harris, a graduate student and nurse, attended the course for the fourth time and said that she looks forward to them each year. "This conference is great," said Harris. "It's important to take time out to look at your goals."

Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Frederick Preston gave the closing remarks and spoke strongly about meeting the changing needs of students. "This conference provides the optimum experience to explore and enhance personal interests," said Preston. "The quality of the students must come from the staff."

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SUNY systems differ in arms and crimes

From BINGHAMTON Page 3

Two of the four State University centers — Albany and Buffalo — have armed police, according to SUNY spokesman Ken Goldfarb, and six of SUNY's 29 four-year campus forces have at least limited access to guns. New York is one of only two states in the country that do not require campus police to carry guns, he said.

Police at the Buffalo center who walk a beat or drive on patrol at night carry guns, but those who patrol by car during the day keep guns in locked boxes. At Albany, only shift supervisors and the director have access to guns, Goldfarb said.

Stony Brook has been wrestling on and off with the issue for more than 10 years. In 1983, Marburger denied a Public Safety plea to give the force guns, but a shooting during a concert riot in the student union in February, 1991, sparked support among several administrators for arming Public Safety.

Public opinion on campus stirred actively for almost a year, with many students and staff coming on both sides of the issue. Both the graduate and undergraduate student governments came out against a change in policy shortly after Marburger announced that he would consider a change. Interest in the issue, however, has faded in recent months. Public Safety tried to dig up the issue again in November, when it called on Marburger to make the long-awaited decision, arguing that inaction was endangering the campus and the officers.

Richard Young, head of Stony Brook's force, declined comment on the Binghamton decision. "I don't know the circumstances up there," he said. "It's the decision of the college president."

But police officials watching the debates unfold at

Binghamton and Stony Brook expressed disappointment. "The Binghamton decision is unfortunate," said Inspector Daniel Jay, head of the crime investigation unit with the armed Buffalo center campus police. "Just because a kid lives on a college campus shouldn't mean he should be denied the same level of protection he gets when he's at home."

every day? And they're armed."

Still, he said guns are necessary to protect officers and citizens. "Guns allow you to respond to an incident . . . with at least some level of protection," he said.

Because Stony Brook's officers do not carry guns, they are forced by law not to respond to an incident involving weapons, so they must wait for Suffolk County

"The Binghamton decision is unfortunate. Just because a kid lives on a college campus shouldn't mean he should be denied the same level of protection he gets at home."

— Inspector Daniel Jay, Head of the Crime Investigation Unit in SUNY Buffalo

"It's become an emotional issue," he said. "It's not. It's a practical issue."

Jay, a 19-year veteran of the Buffalo force, conceded that guns have not deterred crime since they were issued six years ago. "That's not the issue," he said. "How can it be a deterrent when police are shot and killed

police, who are armed. After a shooting last November, it took Sixth Precinct police 23 minutes to respond, said Public Safety spokesman Doug Little.

While Binghamton's Public Safety department has kept quiet about its opinions, Stony Brook's force has subtly, but consistently supported gaining access to guns.



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Editorial

The Times, They Are A Changing?

Seal the Fall '92 semester in the history books. It has been six weeks since the final memories of last year's commotion were registered, and, we know, you didn't want to come back. But here you are, ready to take another semester of Stony Brook's trials and tribulations, not seeming to question the many little observances which may make you wonder why you want to take more abuse from the school.

The more things change, the more they stay the same. Names change, logos change, even the classrooms and dorms have a new dash of paint here and there. But these changes are mostly cosmetic. The real changes lie in attitude adjustment and increased understanding from within the University community.

In the final paper of last semester (remember last semester?), we ran an editorial asking for a day of reflection so that all community members can

constructively lend advice toward improving our situation. Even though we may be working in a cleaner or more official environment, we need to rethink our attitude and how it can improve. Yes, improve.

There is an air of indifference on this campus. The Administration dictatorship, with its sometimes inefficient or frustrating lines and authoritarian policies, the coldness of the students in the classroom reluctant to lend a helping hand, the raucous political fights on every subject imaginable which serve to only alienate both camps involved in the debate, and the overwhelming apathy which pervades every aspect of campus life lend a lot to lower our esteem of the school.

Could it be that we are actually shooting ourselves in the foot? We might be creating this downbeat environment ourselves. After an extended period of taking

the abuse this school doles out in various forms, it is no wonder why we're all stressed, depressed, and anxious to leave here as fast as possible, and why a great deal of incoming students never make it through four years.

The entire University community; faculty, staff, students, and administrators have at least some responsibility for our present situation, but we are getting better.

Last semester we made some ground. Considering that most of our population resides in either New York City or Long Island, with their fabled hard-nosedness, that's saying a mouthful. Let's continue our upward momentum by working to understand each others' position and creating an environment conducive to productivity and contentment. Only then will we be actually working to eliminate the many years of neglect to our quality of life, and make this the best semester we have had in years.



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SB Magazine

Campus Life, People and Events

Monday, February 1, 1993

Nat - 'A Stony Brook tradition'

Homeless man accepted by most on University campus

By Linda Marie Schramm
Statesman Staff Writer

Nathaniel J. Hendricks, known to most as Nat, has been "living" on campus for over a decade while maintaining no official status with the University.

This is news to no one except, perhaps, incoming students and staff. What might be news, however, is the fact that he is not only welcome to stay, but unofficially encouraged.

Doug Little, director of public relations for Public Safety calls Nat, "a Stony Brook tradition." Little describes Public Safety's relationship with Nat as "a good



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Nat, the unofficial homeless resident of the Union

one. He has been very helpful in the past when we were trying to find someone because Nat knows everyone."

Nat, the burly African-American in his late forties, early fifties, pushes around a cart full of cans and can usually be found in the Union. He dons a ski cap and a beard and is widely considered a well-liked regular in the commuter T.V. lounge and at Stony Snacks.

Christine Heins, manager of Stony Snacks, says that Nat comes to the food stand every morning at 9:00 a.m. to buy a bran muffin. "I really like him," Heins says, "He's a nice guy."

Martin Rodriguez, student manager of the Union, comments that Nat "seems well educated and is a nice guy." Rodriguez says that Nat often "sits watching T.V. in the lounge."

Nat also frequents the Commuter College. It is here that objection over Nat arises, primarily with Richard Cole. Cole is the former president of the Commuter College and his description of Nat is one of a "pathological liar." Last semester, Cole made a complaint against Nat to Public Safety. He wanted Nat removed from the Commuter College.

Cole maintains that Nat is "detering students from using the facilities. He makes students feel uncomfortable, he spreads his stuff all over the place." Cole also complained about Nat bringing his "cockroach infested" cart into the Commuter College.

Cole says that while public safety "came and removed him," this solution "only worked for a while." He says that, "It wasn't long before Nat came back. He is loitering and Public Safety is not doing their job."

Nat came to Stony Brook after obtaining a bachelors of arts in Psychology from Southern University in New Orleans in 1973. He worked within the Sociology Department as a teaching assistant. He claims that his position was terminated in 1975 when he was "manipulated out of the department because of racism."

Nat says his last official residence and paying job was at Concerns, a halfway house for people who have been institutionalized. He says that he was employed as a "residents counselor. I ran a mens' therapy group." He

"It's the students that keep me alive."

- Nat, homeless person

left this position in 1976, after working there one year.

Since that time, Nat says that he has not been able to make an income over the poverty level and has been unable to obtain benefits from Social Services. "The only time I ever went down there was when I couldn't do anything else. They haven't given me the resources I know others are getting. The most I've ever gotten is food stamps and only occasionally." He claims that friends of his in government positions allege that racism is the reason behind his difficulties.

Nat also explains he is going to sue Social Services because he is a Vietnam Veteran. "It's an absolute insult to any veteran not to get services. I'm a veteran but they refuse to accept my discharge papers."

He says that his main source of income comes from collection cans. "It's the students that keep me alive," Nat says. He explains that he is sometimes "able to stay in friends' dorms and friends in doctorate programs have let me use their offices." Nat also says that "some students have given me money. One student who I talked to at great length one night about Scripture went off to

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Drivers get little respect from students

By Michele Barry
Statesman Staff Writer

As the bus approaches, the driver's short, brown crewcut can be seen through the windshield. The students are waiting. The bus pulls up, the door opens and the students board the bus with no regard for the short-haired driver.

"It's almost like you're just a part of the bus," says Eric Matwey, a 23-year-old student driver. "Sometimes it just gets on your nerves after a couple of

hours." Matwey finds some of the people to be his least favorite aspect of the job. He finds that the students are rude.

The rudest student is "the guy who gets on and drops two pennies in or something and looks at you like we're the one making him pay." When students forget their pass or don't have money, Matwey usually tells them to just get on. He recalls, "One guy gave me the story four different times." The student got a ride anyway. "I'm not going to tell him to get off and walk," says Matwey.

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Statesman/Andrew J. Avril

Stony Brook's commuter bus fleet sits ready for the new semester

CAMPUS VOICES

By Andrew J. Avril

Question of the Week:

How do you feel about homosexuals in the military?



"I believe their right to be in the military exists. Sexuality has no bearing on the ability to get the job done."

Claudia Solin, 22
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"At least it's recognized as being an issue. There should be no reason they should have to lie about their sexual orientation."

Peter Mavrikis, 21
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Political Science



"If you want to serve, you should be able to no matter what you do in the bedroom."

Victoria Eaton, 18
Freshman



"All changes of tolerance are painful but they're necessary and in the long run it's important that those barriers are broken."

John Pellegrini, 29
Graduate Student
Neurobiology



If you have a question you would like to see in *Campus Voices*, send it to room 075, Student Union, Zip #3200.

Cholesterol problems on the University campus

The leading cause of death in the United States is atherosclerosis, the hardening and blockage of the arteries. This disease process occurs in the larger arteries of the body and is responsible for heart attacks, strokes and kidney disease.

Atherosclerosis appears in the arteries of the heart years and decades before the age at which heart attack

s occur. This was dramatically revealed in autopsies performed on young soldiers 18 to 27 years of age during World War I, Korea and Vietnam.

Who is at risk?

Studies have shown risk factors associated with atherosclerosis are namely male sex, post menopausal women and a family history of early heart disease (less than 55 years of age in a first degree relative). Hypertension, smoking, diabetes, severe obesity (greater than 30% overweight) and a high cholesterol level are also high risk factors. When evaluating cholesterol, a high amount of LDL (bad cholesterol) and a low amount of HDL (good cholesterol) should be avoided.

Elevations in plasma total and LDL cholesterol have been related to heart disease by many different types of studies. Accordingly, low amounts of HDL has consistently been inversely related to atherosclerosis in various studies.

College Cholesterol Study

A ten year study of ten thousand freshman students at Brandeis University revealed that 900 (approximately 9%) had elevations in their total cholesterol. The National Cholesterol Education Program recommends that all adults greater than 20 years should have their cholesterol evaluated.

Addressing Cholesterol Disorders

The American Heart Associa-

tion has established dietary guidelines to address cholesterol disorders. The total calorie intake is calculated to achieve and maintain the desirable weight. A further calculation is performed to reduce total fat and cholesterol while maintaining a healthy balance of carbohydrates and protein.

THE LIFE COLUMN

Peter Morgan, M.D.

Exercise is an integral component of

achieving and maintaining a desired weight. This also has a cardioprotective effect.

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Help at Stony Brook

Here at the student health service, a cholesterol screening program has been instituted in our primary care approach to every patient. This program includes the diagnosis and management of complicated cholesterol disorders. The mainstay of most cholesterol disorders is diet, exercise, and risk factor reduction. The diet should be low in fat and cholesterol and the exercise should be aerobic. Inherited disorders, however, may require lipid lowering medication.

For the non-student population of the university campus and community, there is a lipid disorder clinic at Stony Brook University hospital. Offered at the hospital is cholesterol screening, risk factor analysis, diagnosis, and management of lipid disorders.

This column is one of a bi-weekly series written by various professionals from the Student Health Service and the Faculty Student Association. Peter Morgan, M.D. is a member of A.C.P.



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Nat evokes mixed reactions on campus

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Desert Storm. When he came home, he gave me one of his checks and took me out to dinner."

Nat explains that since he has been without a place of residence, he has "learned to sleep during the day in short intervals" and he uses the money he gets from collecting cans to buy food.

Nat explains that his life mission is equality education. He claims that he has been working closely with the Africana Studies program in an effort to make the program a department. Nat says he has the answer to that problem.

Dr. Floris Cash, director of Africana Studies says that while Nat "has given suggestions," the program is "not collaborating him" and no one has solved the problem of getting the funding to turn the program into a department. Cash says that she would describe Nat as a "friend of the program" who regularly attends meetings.

In response to Cole's objection to him being permitted to use campus facilities, Nat says that it's an "attempt to discriminate against me as a black male."

Cole refutes that "Nat calling me a racist" is a way of "turning a legiti-

"He makes the students feel uncomfortable."

- Ex-Commuter College President Richard Cole

mate issue into a racial one."

Cole also commented that Stony Brook "is a great place for the homeless to come. It's a liberal haven. Any bum can come here and find a plentitude of bleeding-heart liberals willing to feed and house him."

Despite Cole's objections to Nat's use of campus facilities, most of those in contact with Nat don't seem to mind. Union Student Manager Rodrigues comments that the only type of complaint he gets about Nat in the T.V. lounge is that "he snores too loud."



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Nat at a dinner for the homeless sponsored by Toys for Tots back in December.



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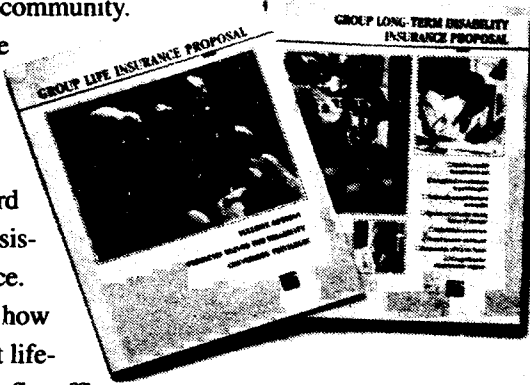
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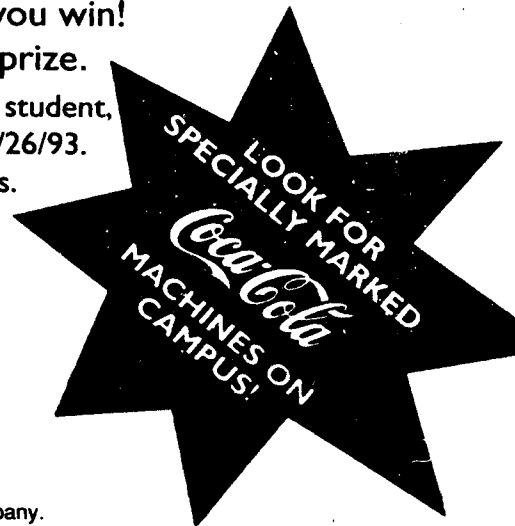
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Bus trudges on for thankless commuters

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Matwey is currently taking nine credits as a senior chemistry major. He is a commuter and lives in Mt. Sanai with his parents. He works 20 hours a week with 7 hours being his longest shift. What he finds most rewarding about being a bus driver is "... getting eight dollars an hour and getting to sit around ... I don't know it's only a job."

There are forty student drivers in all and seven from the state. Matwey's bus-driver training consisted of a one-week classroom session and a three week driving session. A flawless driving record is required before applying for the job.

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According to Matwey, the riders don't

have to wait long for the bus. "Sometimes it seems long because everyone wants to go home, but it's usually only a six to seven minute wait." It gets busy between 8:30 am and 3:00 pm, and the busiest when classes let out. The worst wait, says Matwey, "would be eight to nine minutes, but that's during 'rush hour.'"

But commuter student Jennifer Meszaros feels differently. "You pay a bus fee, they should get on the ball." She finds the worst thing about the system is "that you go there sometimes and you're late for class because there's a big, fat line." She's satisfied otherwise, but says, "Nobody with an '8:30' wants to get there at ten to eight to catch the bus."

When Matwey boards the bus as a rider, he does not fall into the "rude student" category. He never disregards the driver. "I treat them well," he says. "I always talk to them. I know them all."

Matwey's one message to the commuters concerning charges, being late and not leaving when they want is, "It's not me. I just work here."

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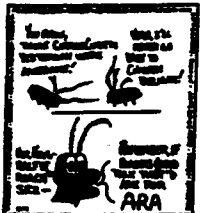
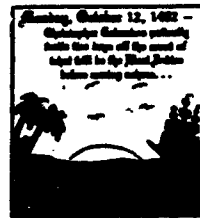


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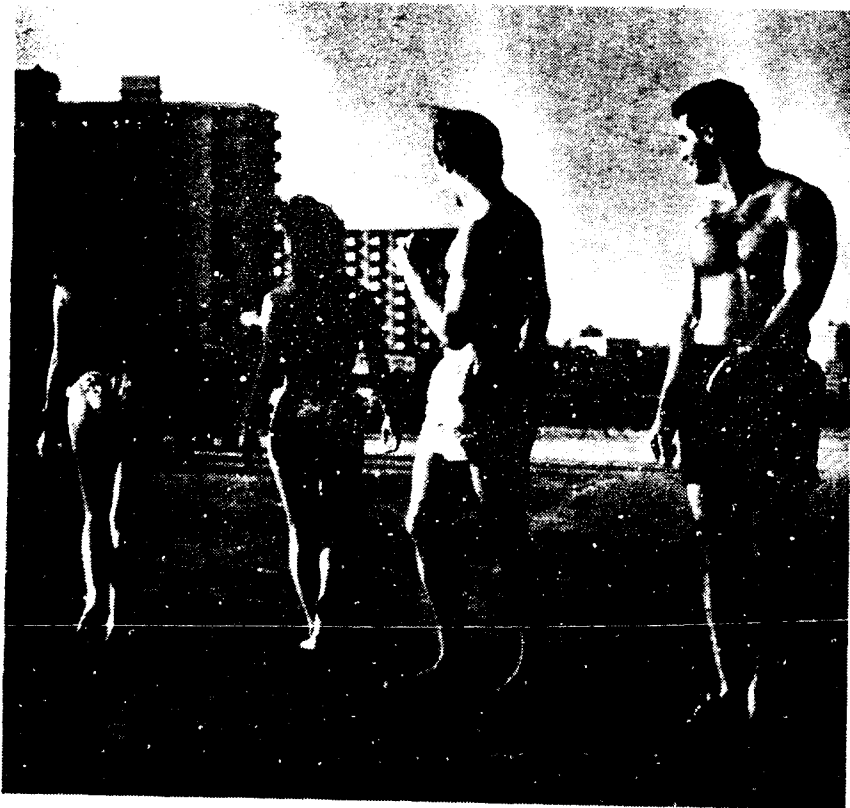


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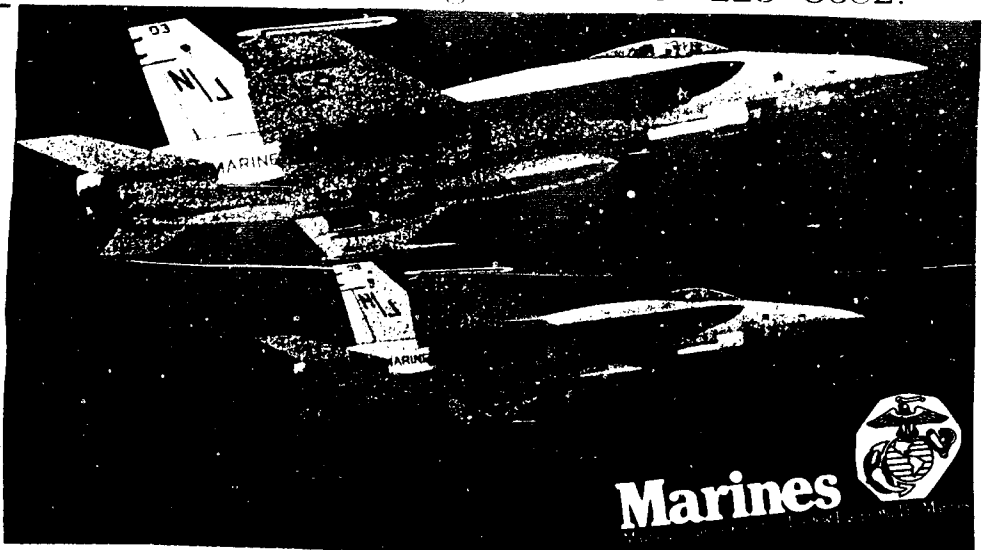
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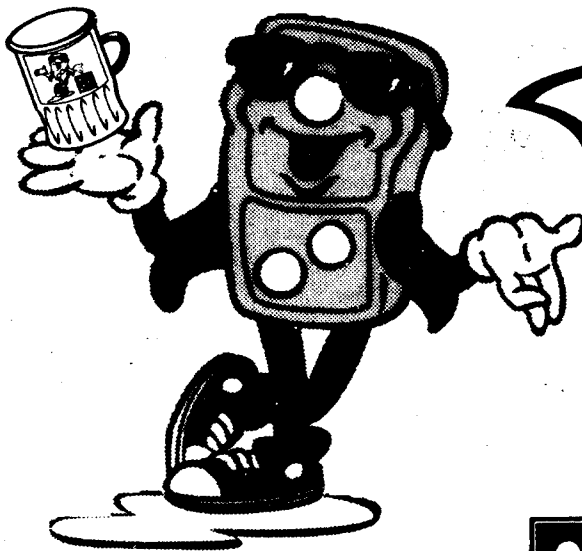
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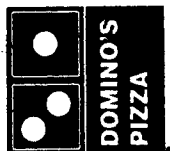
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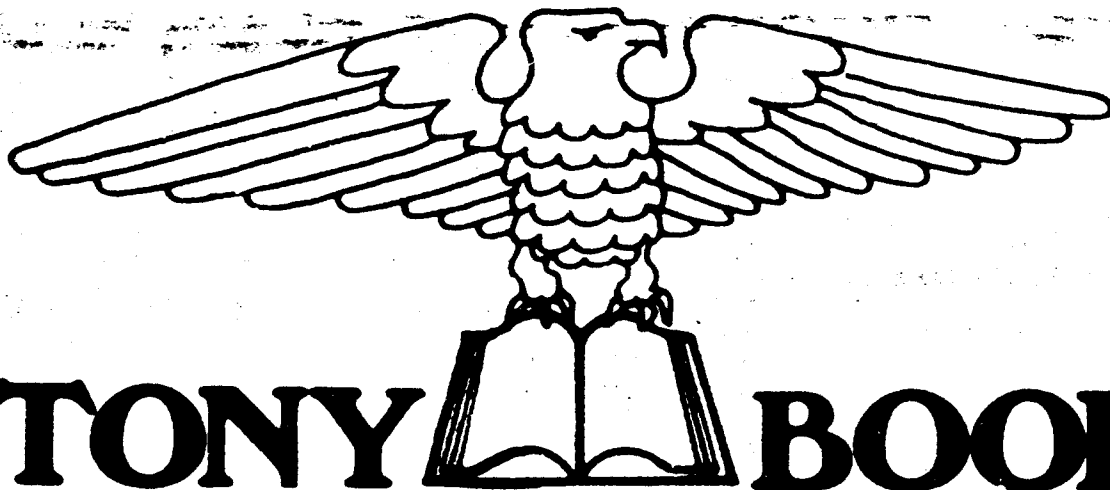
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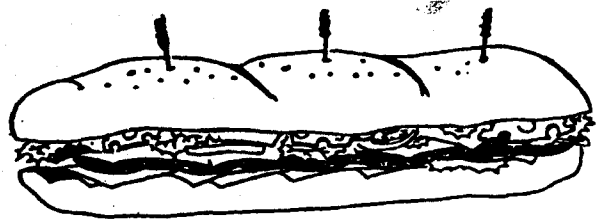
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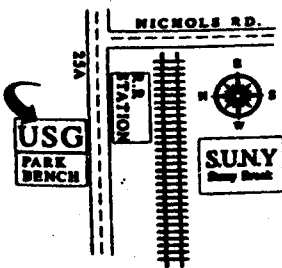
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Lady Pats face challenges head on

By Robyn Sauer
Statesman Staff Writer

Lady Pats have been playing top nationally rated teams and players feel they have had a tough schedule, to say the least. All in all, the team has come out looking like champions, said Coach Dec McMullen. "There was only one game we lost that we shouldn't have," she said.

The first of the Lady Pats' endeavors over the break was the University of California-San Diego Invitational from December 28th to the 30th. Their record there was 1-2. Stony Brook lost to Wartburg 76-59 and Augustana 73-58. Joan Gandolf carried the team with 21 points. Kim Douglas made 11 points with 6 steals against Wartburg. Raleigh scored 13 points against Augustana. But USB turned it out in the seventh place game against Amherst by defeating them 76-54. Douglas led the Brook with 22 points and 8 steals. Gandolf scored 14 points while Raleigh and Erika Bascom each scored 11. McMullen saw the difference between the top schools and schools such as USB, "We play well for 30 minutes but top rated teams play well for 40 minutes."

USB then moved on to trample John Jay with a score of 68-25. Douglas once again led her team with 15 points.

Gandolf had 11 points and added 11 rebounds while Raleigh scored 14 points.

A loss came to the Lady Pats when they played Western Connecticut even though Gandolf, Cathy Crean and Ngozi Efobi each scored 7 points for USB.

Next, on January 18th, Mt. St. Mary's college fell victim to the Lady Pats. Gandolf scored 25 points for the individual high and added 12 rebounds. Stony Brook defeated City College of New York with a score of 84-28. The high scorers were Gandolf with 16 and 12 rebounds, Douglas with 15 and Richashawna Sims with 12.

USB then lost to Cortland 55-53 although Gandolf scored 20 points. Lastly, the Lady Pats had a victory over Binghamton, only their second loss of the season. USB defeated the Lady Colonials in overtime with the score of 61-58. Overtime was required after Gandolf made 2 free throws with 5 seconds remaining. With 1:17 left in overtime, Bascom's basket put USB in the lead for good. Gandolf finished with 26 points while Raleigh finished with 6 points, 13 rebounds, 4 steals, and 3 assists.

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Men's Basketball continues strong

By Robyn Sauer
 Statesman Staff Writer

At the Stony Brook Student Life Invitational the Men's Basketball started their semester well, only coming in second to Binghamton with a close score of 50-49 for the Jan. 9 game.

Michel Lamine lead the team with 22 points which was a career high and pulled down 11 rebounds. Also, in the championship game, Curtis Bunche scored 13 points.

The Pat's first round victims was Oneonta by the score 69-57. In this game Ricky Wardally scored 19 points and Emeka Smith added 18. Bunche and Lamine also helped pull the team with 13 points and a added 10 rebounds and 12 points, respectively. Lamine and Wardally received tournament honors for their performance.

The Patriots had a victory against FDU Madison on Jan. 14 when they won 64-46. Smith and Bunch were the leading scorers for the game. Bunch recovered 9 rebounds, while Wardally scored 12 points

and pulled down 7 rebounds.

USB next defeated Kings Point on Jan. 21 when Lamine, with 5 seconds remaining, scored the game winning free throw. Freshman Ron Duckett scored 19 points for the game high. Wardally added 14 points and blocked 3 shots.

"The chemistry is still there in the team and we're playing hard."

— Senior Ricky Wardally, Foward

The Pats did fall to the mercy of Hunter with a score of 67-60. Duckett and Vernard Williams scored 18 points each to lead the team. Lamine also added 12 points and 7

rebounds.

Stony Brook then went on to defeat York College on the 27th with a score 73-63. Duckett lead the team with 20 points followed by Wardally with 14 points and 8 rebounds. Vernard Williams also added 13 points. Duckett was shooting amazing 3 pointers all night. "We played hard," said Wardally. "We came out slow then after we took the lead we just kept on playing."

The basketball team lost two top players because of an indefinite suspension. Emeka Smith and Curtis Bunch were suspended by Coach Bernard Tomlin because they are facing criminal charges. "We'll make the best of it," said Williams. "We do miss them, but the opposing team is not going to feel bad for us." Wardally who was playing against York with a bad ankle says, "The chemistry is still there in the team and we're playing hard," said Wardally, who was playing with a bad ankle. "We look forward and not on what has happened to members of the team."

Championship in sight for Patriot Hockey

By Robyn Sauer
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The Patriots took on SUNY Farmingdale the past 2 weeks and despite Farmingdale's sight on revenge, USB slashed them down below the Brook as they did last year to enter the play-offs and become Long Island champions. As junior Brian Karp said, "They were looking to get us back from last year."

The first game on the 16th was an aggressive game that would please most hockey fans. "We played up to their level of aggressiveness," Karp said.

The first period really started at 11:58 when Farmingdale scored. The rest of the period consisted of 5 total penalties for both teams, 2 of which were for fighting.

The 2nd period opened when 44 seconds into it, Geoff Hulse, the Stony Brook lead scorer, scored unassisted. Co-Assistant captain Hulse did it once again at 14:08 assisted by Chris Garafalo.

A fight didn't stop Eric Wuss when he shot a goal, making the final score 3-1 USB. Defenseman Craig DeMaio got suspended for fighting.

"I went to get the puck and the other player hit me

high, on the head, and so I pushed him," said DeMaio. "That's when it broke out. He started it; I just defended myself."

The Jan. 23 game began with frustration when Farmingdale's first shot crossed the goal line, at 12:07, but because a player was in the crease the goal did not count.

The 2nd period was the Pats domain. At 17:25 Garafalo scored a great one assisted by Hulse and Karp. Then at 15:40 Ray Buckman shot one in assisted by Zack Morowitz. Eric Ober then caught fire at 7:52 with a goal assisted by Scott Kenderick and also Adrian Jackson. Less than 5 minutes later he scored again, with an assist by Jackson and Vic Dezelic.

The 3rd period marked another disappointment for Farmingdale when a player in the crease stopped them from scoring again.

The last period closed with junior Lou Megna injuring his ankle, and with 47 seconds left in the game Farmingdale made their only score leaving the final score to be 4-1 USB.

Co-Captain Eric Wuss summarized their meetings with Farmingdale, "The games were very hard hitting

ones. But a lot of time on their backsides. We played well, in total harmony. The defense played good and our goalie Chris [Livingston] was amazing," said Wuss.

The Stony Brook lines were impressive. "We are working better together. We're all geared up and our morale is high. Our lines are ready and set," Dezelic said.

Livingston spoke highly of his defensive teammates. "I really only had to stop the original shot," said Livingston. "The defense was great and took away all my rebounds."

Co-Assistant captain Ober and Jackson both returned after a semester break. Jackson was suspended by the league for the past semester. "I was dying to get back," said Ober. "I missed the game." The next rivals on Stony Brook's list is CW Post. "We have the motivation to beat them," said Dezelic. "They're a big rivalry and now we have the right foot forward."

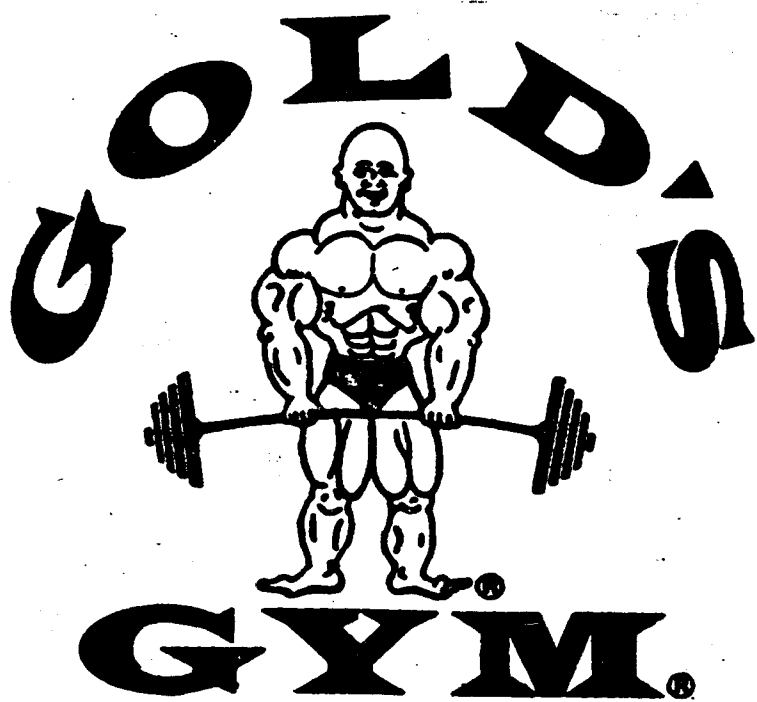
CW Post is the only thing standing between USB and the championship.

Many Players confidentially stated that they believe Post's schedule was easier and that is all their record reflects. Hopefully, The Pats will keep the fire going, DeMaio will return and Megna will be able to play safely.

PATRIOT ACTION THIS WEEK

Home games in **SMALLCAPS**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Women's Basketball at Hunter, 6 p.m. MEN'S BASKETBALL VS. CW POST, 7:30 P.M.	2	3 SQUASH VS. FORDHAM, 4 P.M.	4 MEN'S BASKETBALL VS. MANHATTANVILLE, 7:30 P.M.	5 Men and Women's Track at Milrose Games, MSG, 6 p.m. Women's Swimming, Metro. Champ at USSMA, Time TBA; Thru Sunday	6 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS. VASSAR, 2 P.M. Men's Basketball at Albany, 8 p.m. HOCKEY VS. STEVENS, 10 P.M.	7



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