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Reminder

**The Center for Italian Studies and the University Libraries at Stony Brook
will be holding a dedication ceremony
at
Melville Memorial Library's Special Collections Department
on Wednesday, November 19, 2003 at 4 p.m.

to recognize the donation of archival material
pertaining to the poet, John Ciardi,
by Ciardi biographer and scholar, Dr. Edward M. Cifelli.**

Professor Edward M. Cifelli (County College of Morris, New Jersey) in his presentation of these materials will comment on how they reveal one of America's great poets and help define the remarkable contributions of a "quintessential man of letters."

The program will include remarks of appreciation by the Director of Italian Studies, Mario B. Mignone and Dean of the Libraries, E. Christian Filstrup, along with the head of Special Collections and University Archives, Kristen J. Nyitray. George Wallace, Poet Laureate of Suffolk County, will also be in attendance to read and comment on the poetry of John Ciardi. An exhibition of the books, letters, manuscripts, translations, records, etc. that comprise the Ciardi collection will be inaugurated and showcased on this occasion with indication how scholars and students might have the benefit of it.

The celebration will include a wine and cheese reception along with a duo of string musicians from the Music Department.

All are invited.

Free and open to the public.

Please call (631) 632-7444 or 632-7119 for additional information.