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Rep. Steve Israel (far left), former President Bill Clinton (center) and Rep. Tim Bishop (far right) attend a rally at the Staller Center on Wednesday, Oct. 22.

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Clinton speaks at SBU in support of Bishop

By Kelly Zegers
Assistant News Editor

Just 13 days before the midterm elections, President Bill Clinton encouraged Stony Brook University students to vote and spoke on behalf of the Tim Bishop congressional re-election campaign at a rally organized by the Stony Brook College Democrats at the Staller Center on Wednesday, Oct. 22.

About 1,000 attendees filled the seats, including students and Bishop supporters holding signs that read "#1 more 1 Million Votes for 2014," as part of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee message to increase voter engagement for the midterms.

Local politicians that spoke on behalf of Bishop included Suffolk County comptroller candidate James Gaughran, who is a Stony Brook alumnus; Fifth District legislator and Stony Brook alumna Kara Hahn; presiding officer DuWayne Gregory, Suffolk County Executive Steve Bellone and congressman Steve Israel.

Each guest praised Bishop for prioritizing a number of social and economic issues, such as student debt, raising the minimum wage, women's health care rights, equal pay, the economy and the environment, and introduced multiple times as what is "at stake" in the upcoming elections.

"We have a great divide in our country today, a great divide between those who are fighting for middle class and

working class families and those who are fighting for the most privileged among us," Bellone said, reflecting the sentiment of the posters surrounding the podium on stage that read, "Restore the middle class."

The crowd gave a standing ovation once Bishop, Israel and Clinton took the stage.

Israel spoke of contrasting ideas between the Democrats and Republicans of the House of Representatives. House Democrats, he said, believe that American businesses should get tax incentives to build infrastructure and create jobs, that college students should be able to refinance their debt and that women should not be paid less for equal work.

Student debt was a common theme at the rally, as Bishop said the future of student financial aid programs are "on the ballot this November," along with the questions of whether Pell Grants and Perkins Loans would "drop considerably" or if interest rates would "skyrocket."

Bishop said he was "proud" to represent Stony Brook University, which he described as the largest employer in the first congressional district with 18,000 employees. Bishop considers the university in the mantra he adopted for himself when he looks at public policy.

"The mantra is, 'If it's good for Stony Brook University, it's good for Long Island and if it's bad for Stony Brook University, it's bad for Long Island,'" he said.

Clinton spoke of the Technology and Research Accelerating National

Security and Future Economic Resiliency Act that Bishop and Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand announced in June, "which would help to get more venture capital in to take the results of fruits of research at universities and turn it into commercially viable projects."

In regards to the economy, Clinton said when he became president, he wanted to reverse the trickle-down economics that began during the Reagan administration that made the country "more unequal." The reversal, he said, helped people work their way from poverty into the middle class.

"America is coming back," Clinton said, adding that the jobs lost in the financial crisis were replaced.

"This whole election is about the terms on which we will grow and whether we are going to grow together or grow apart," he said, later adding, "the biggest threat to our collective future today is the political dysfunction in Washington, fueled by big money, special interests and ideological extremism."

Clinton, as the other speakers did, encouraged the crowd to vote, citing New York's "lousy" voting record in midterm elections.

Students at the event said that although they went to see the former president, they also thought it was important for college students be involved in politics.

"I think the event went really well," Fatoumata Kaba, a junior

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College Republicans raise question of fairness in response to Bishop rally

By Zach Rowe
Staff Writer

The Stony Brook College Democrats hosted a rally on Wednesday in the Staller Center for the campaign of incumbent House Representative Tim Bishop, highlighted by an appearance from President Bill Clinton. However, the night managed to generate a significant controversy as well, centered around a digital flyer circulated through the university's email system.

A group of Stony Brook students are in the process of filing complaints to the Federal Elections Commission and the IRS, according to a press release from the Stony Brook College Republicans.

On Monday, Oct. 20, Stony Brook Student Life sent out an email through the university's Listserv, an application used to send an email to many recipients on a certain list, announcing the rally for Bishop and the appearance by Clinton. The College Republicans allege that this is a violation of both university policy and federal election law, claiming that the use of the university's Listserv indicated favoritism towards the Democratic party and was an illegal contribution to the Bishop campaign.

The university policy in question states, "Use of IT Systems in a way that suggests University endorsement of any political candidate or ballot initiative is also prohibited." The College Republicans claim that the use of the email system to circulate the flyer for the rally was a display of endorsement of Bishop's campaign.

Members of the College Republicans also claim that another violation centers around Stony Brook's status as a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization. According to federal election law, a 501(c)3 organization may only conduct voter education, registration, or other election related events if the event is non-partisan.

The event itself was held by the Stony Brook College Democrats and funded by the New York Democratic State Committee. However, the College Republicans believe the use of the Listserv constituted Stony Brook University engaging in an election event.

"University resources are being used to directly promote a candidate," Laura Doukas, president of the College Republicans, said in a press release. "It is totally uncalled for and breaks the rules of a 501(c)3 and the university policy manual. Stony Brook students and taxpayers should not be footing the bill for this incredibly divisive event."

Members of the College Democrats responded to the accusations.

"For us, it seemed like the university was helping us as in any way that they would help any other organization," Winnie Ye, the media director of the College Democrats, said.

"We are student-funded, we are funded through USG, we are a student organization," Kevin Gomez, the president of the College Democrats, said. "In our opinion, we are afforded the same

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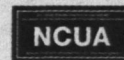
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Clinton speaks at Stony Brook

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biology major, said. "I like how Tim Bishop was really great at speaking and I think Bill Clinton also had a good hand at presenting him as a good congressman."

"[Voting is the] most important thing someone can do, especially involving congressional campaigns and local campaigns because it's where you can see politics happen in the making," Sage Davino, a junior sociology and global studies major and College Democrat at Hofstra University, said.

Robert Gargano, a junior English major, said he was impressed with Clinton because he had a "firm grasp" on what he said regarding policy and the "right mentality on what we need to move forward" for the future.

The rally stirred frustration among some students in regards to a Student Life email that circulated a Stony Brook College Democrats flyer for the rally and ticket information two days prior to the event, with the point being made that the university was in violation of federal election law and its own policy that prohibits the use of IT systems for endorsement of any political candidate or ballot.

"It's disturbing that they consider a rally in support of a single candidate to be a 'get out the vote' initiative," Stony Brook College Republicans President Laura Doukas, a junior business major, said in a press release she sent out. A group of Stony Brook students are in the process of filing complaints to the Federal Elections Commission and the Internal Revenue Service, according to Doukas.

"Because it was an activity sponsored by a club, they were free to use the same dissemination mechanisms that are used by any club holding an activity," Elaine Crosson, Stony Brook's Vice President for External Relations, said. The campaign for Lee Zeldin, Bishop's Republican opponent, was notified of the rally and reminded them that if the student Republicans on campus wanted a rally on campus, they would be accommodated, she said.

"It was the organization's flyer," Media Relations Officer Lauren Sheprow said. "It was not a flyer created by anyone in Student Affairs."

Senior political science major Kevin Gomez, who is also the president of the Stony Brook College Democrats, said that the group had asked Student Activities to send the flyer out to the campus community.

"It was a student-run event, we are a student organization, we are chartered by USG so we have the same amount of right to host an event like this as the College Republicans," Gomez said. "It is my understanding that because I was the one who said, 'Hey, we'd like to have President Clinton come for this event,' I went through the right channels, I went to Student Activities, I alerted External Relations. Nowhere in any instance was it ever thought to be crossing any lines or breaking any laws."

Restaurants cited for health code violations

By Sarah Kirkup
Staff Writer

Bagels N A Hole Lot More, which closed toward the end of the spring 2014 semester, and O Sole Mio, another popular eatery among Stony Brook University students, were cited for health code violations on Suffolk County inspection reports this past February.

Bagels N A Hole Lot More, which was located on Nesconset Highway in Stony Brook, had health code violations regarding food temperature.

According to Section 760-1332.3 of the county sanitary code, it is harmful for meats to be kept above 41 degrees Fahrenheit. The health inspector documented that two pounds of turkey breast were at 55 degrees and two pounds of ham were at 56 degrees.

Other deli foods that were above the health codes food temperature requirements were roast beef, bologna and various cheeses.

The restaurant inspection also documented that chain and cable fluid and T 9 Rust & Corrosion Protection Waterproof Lube were located on the prep table at Bagels N A Hole Lot More.

The store's last inspection took place on Feb. 20, 2014.

Another popular restaurant cited for health violations was O



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O Sole Mio, a pizzeria in Stony Brook, was cited for health code violations by Suffolk County in February.

Sole Mio, a pizzeria located on Nesconset Highway.

"No soap was provided for employees to wash their hands in the kitchen hand wash stations," the inspection report sheet stated.

The report sheet also noted that the ricotta cheese from the refrigerator had been adulterated and contained a sour odor.

According to Food and Drug Administration standards, food is adulterated when it contains potential poisons or does not meet with the safety standards of a kitchen.

The food inspector also discovered that a package of goat cheese found in the refrigerator was contaminated with green mold.

The pizzeria serves typical Italian food, such as pizza, pasta and garlic bread. Its last inspection was Feb. 26, 2014.

"I've not heard about these violations," René Andersen, the advisor for the Undergraduate College of Arts, Culture and Humanities, said in an email. "ACH has not ordered food from them so far this semester. In years past I have always been satisfied with their food & delivery service."

Sarah Slotnick, a sophomore history major, said that she was surprised by O Sole Mio's health inspection report.

"The times that I went to O Sole Mio, the pizza was tasty and the building appeared to be

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National Geographic explorer talks about her life

By Michaela Kilgallen
Contributing Writer

Trendy black and white striped pants and long blonde hair is hardly what someone pictures when imagining a world-renowned Ph.D. anthropologist and wildlife correspondent for National Geographic, but Mireya Mayor is not the average explorer.

As part of Stony Brook University's First Year Reading Program, this year's freshman class read Mayor's book "Pink Boots and a Machete: My Journey from NFL Cheerleader to Na-

tional Geographic Explorer."

For Commons Day, Mayor visited SBU to give a talk to the class of 2018 in the brand new Stony Brook Arena.

Mayor received her Ph.D. in anthropology from Stony Brook, and her talk on Wednesday showed how SBU influenced her passion for her career.

"I am honored to be back and share my experiences with you," Mayor said.

Mayor told her inspirational story from her childhood to her expeditions and discoveries to her five kids.

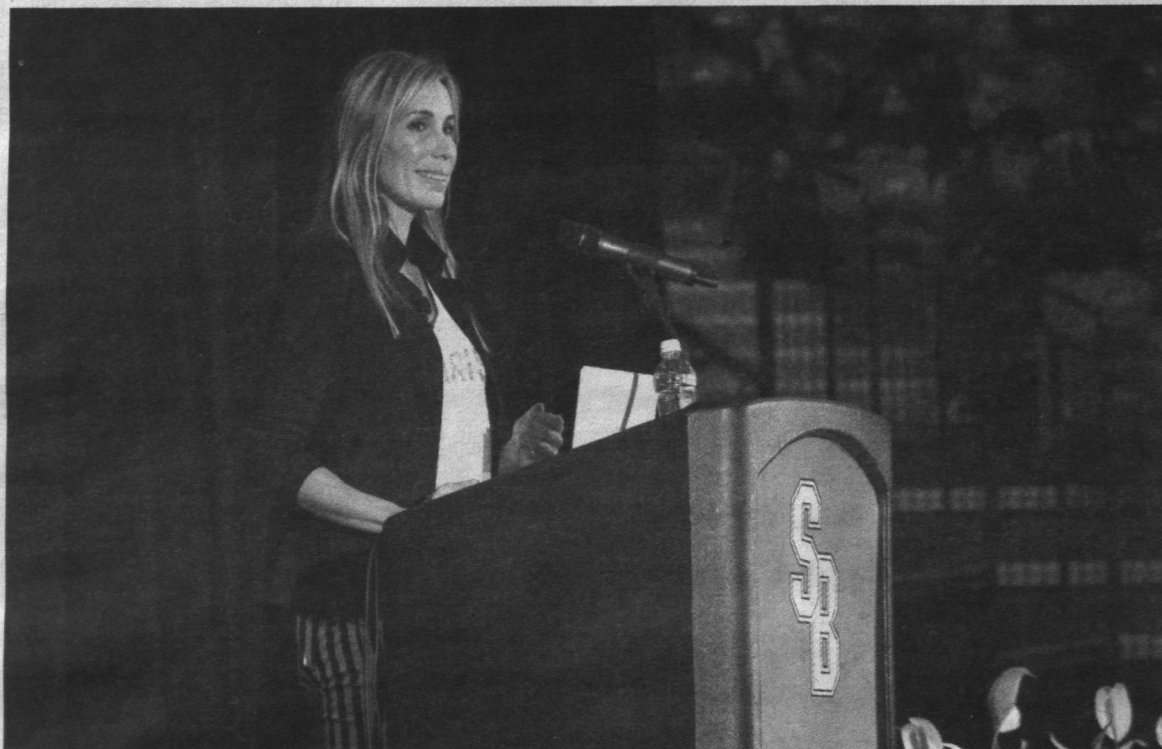
"I had a real love for animals, but I did not know that this is what I would end up doing for the rest of my life," Mayor said.

Mayor grew up in Miami, Florida as the only child of Cuban immigrants.

"My love of animals was born really early on," Mayor said, but as she grew older Mayor found herself drawn to dance.

Mayor's interest in dance landed her a job as a cheerleader for the Miami Dolphins football team, but everything changed

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Mireya Mayor, a wildlife correspondent for National Geographic, (above) speaks to the freshman class at the new Stony Brook Arena about her autobiography on Wednesday, Oct. 22.

Controversy over campaign rally

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entitlements any other student organization is entitled to.

The SUNY policy on use of facilities by non-commercial organizations states, there must be "equal opportunity for meeting of the various student groups — either for those groups' own membership or for students generally."

Elaine Crosson, Stony Brook University's vice president for external relations, said that the university took the steps to allow equal opportunity for the College Republicans.

"We called the Zeldin campaign and said, 'We just don't want you to hear it on the street, we just want you to know that the student Democratic club had gotten prior approval to have this rally on campus and now we have learned that a special guest at this rally will be the former president,'" Crosson said, adding that they also said, "We wanted to remind you that if the student Republican club wants to have a rally on campus that we would accommodate them, even though it's close to the election, obviously we would work with them to accommodate them." They thanked us for the call."

The College Republicans did not receive notice of this offer from either Crosson or the Zeldin campaign, Doukas said.

The ticket for the College Democrat-hosted rally was titled "SBU GOTV [Get Out The Vote] Rally," which the Republicans interpreted as a sign of Stony Brook's favoritism of the Democrats, according to the College Republicans' press release.

The College Republicans' press release pointed to an event in which they hosted Congressman Aaron Shock and State Senator Lee Zeldin on Sept. 29 of this year as an example of the university's bias. The release said that the group was denied both space and a campus email to promote the event. Indeed, the campus Listserv was not used to send an email to Stony Brook students about this event as it was for the Bishop rally.

College Republicans member Dan Elton said that the club had inquired about having the event being added to the Listserv and was told one-weeks notice was necessary for the event to be added. They received notice that Congressman Shock would be on campus within this timeframe, so they submitted this request after the deadline had passed and the request to be added to the Listserv was denied, Elton said.

Crosson said the group was denied a meeting because it was the second request for a meeting in a week for the College Republicans, which went against university policy.

The College Republicans believe that the Democrats had received special treatment with the email and claimed that the Democrats had bypassed the week's notice for an email, as Clinton's appearance was confirmed less than a week before the event, Doukas said. The type of full-page email that the College Democrats were allotted, which only contained the notice of the Bishop rally, is not an option that the College Republicans are afforded, she said.

"I went through the right channels, I went to Student Activities, I alerted External Relations," Gomez said. "No where in any instance was it thought to be crossing any lines or breaking any laws." He confirmed that the College Democrats requested a email through the Listserv.

A longer version of this story can be found on sbstatesman.com.

Under the microscope: Stony Brook scientists re-establish the model for the surface of boron

By Ricardo Raudales
Contributing Writer

Every other week, Ricardo Raudales, a Ph.D. candidate at Stony Brook University's Department of Neurobiology and Behavior, will take a look at Stony Brook-related science and research news.

Science, like much of Stony Brook's campus these days, seems to always be under construction. Yet this month, old gray buildings are not the only things being dismantled.

In a recent study in *Physical Review Letters*, professor Artem Oganov and his colleagues found that the published surface structure for α -boron was flawed. The study was led by Dr. Xiang-Feng Zhou, who works in the Oganov lab at Stony Brook. The incorrect model had come from a Swiss group and indicated that boron, a light element, could display behavior similar to topological insulators, which are compounds of heavy elements.

Topological insulators are a recently discovered class of materials that on their interior act as insulators, but have a surface that can conduct electrons.

"On the surface of materials, very unexpected things happen," Oganov said. "The rules of chemistry were formulated under normal conditions, and when you create unusual conditions you need to alter the rules to understand what is happening."

"When you take a crystal surface, for example, the atoms near the surface have many of their bonds cut off," Oganov said. "To compensate for the lost bonds, atoms invent very unusual solutions, and you end up with extraordinary chemistry."

Although the element boron is much lighter than elements making up topological insulators, this fact alone was not enough to exclude it. In order to show boron could not readily conduct electrons, the team had to figure out the surface structure, which was no trivial task.

To model the surface of α -boron the team relied on USPEX (Universal Structure Predictor: Evolutionary Xtallography). The method, developed

by the Oganov lab in 2005, is capable of efficiently predicting structures of crystals, surfaces, polymers and nanoparticles and is used by over 2,000 researchers worldwide.

"What is most exciting is to see that the same basic underlying code can be applied to a diverse set of very complex structures," Oganov said. "This shows the power of the method."

And while α -boron does not seem to behave like a topological insulator, several interesting aspects clue in how it might have other uses.

"Interestingly, the surface of boron has strong resemblance to its high-pressure phases," Oganov said. "It may be possible to grow this denser phase on the surface of boron, although we don't yet know how to do it. These phases could have applications in electronics, and as superhard materials."

The team will continue to use USPEX to look at a host of different surfaces, many with unusual chemistry and a wide range of applications.

"We could try to understand why nickel irritates human skin, which we think has something to do with the surface of nickel," Oganov said. "No one really understands how it works."

"Another interesting problem is why iron rusts but aluminum does not," Oganov said. "By studying these surfaces we think we will understand rusting better and maybe learn how to prevent it."

By better understanding surfaces at their atomic level, it might be possible to begin understanding questions that have stumped scientists in different fields.

Ultimately, the group is attempting to answer a very basic problem, which has so far yielded quite unexpected results.

In the meantime, Oganov had some advice for budding Stony Brook scientists.

"Whatever field you become interested in, work hard to read and learn everything you can about it," Oganov said. "If for a second you ever think you have become an expert, you will soon realize how little it is you actually understand. This is a very stimulating feeling that should keep you moving forward."

On Monday, Oct. 13, a window broken by a rock was reported in Schick College. The case is now closed.

On Monday, Oct. 13, a bus driver reported being harassed by a man at the Long Island Rail Road stop. The man left on a county bus, and the driver declined to press charges.

On Monday, Oct. 13, there was a report regarding the theft of a laptop from Melville Library. The case is still open.

On Tuesday, Oct. 14, there was a report that a bicycle was stolen from the Health Science Center. The case is now closed.

Police Blotter

On Wednesday, Oct. 15, a student was referred for marijuana at Roosevelt Quad.

On Wednesday, Oct. 15, there was a report of graffiti on a bathroom stall in the Student Activities Center. The case is closed.

On Thursday, Oct. 16, a man was arrested for criminal mischief and trespassing at the University Hospital.

On Friday, Oct. 17, a men's wallet was reportedly taken from a backpack in an unsecured locker at the Campus Recreation Center. The case is now closed.

On Friday, Oct. 17, there was a brother-sister dispute at the intersection of Health Science Center Drive and Hospital Road. Both parties were arrested.

On Saturday, Oct. 18, there was a report regarding the theft of items from a vehicle in the South P Lot. The case is closed.

On Saturday, Oct. 18, window screens were reported damaged at Baruch College and Dewey College. Both cases are closed.

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clean and well managed," Slotnick, who started working at Cool Monkey, a frozen yogurt store located in the same shopping center as O Sole Mio, four months after the pizza store received its health inspection report, said.

"Since the inspection, we have placed food in different containers and fixed everything that needed to be fixed," Maria, one of the managers of O Sole Mio who declined to give her last name, said.

According to the Suffolk County government website, "each year the Food Control Unit issues nearly 6,000 food service establishment permits, conducts more than 11,000 inspections and investigates approximately 600 consumer complaints."

Eateries such as Bagels N A Hole Lot More and O Sole Mio are required to have random, unannounced health inspections more than once a year. The health inspections look at the cleanliness of the store as well as how food is being stored and how employees are handling the food.

Suffolk County Department of Health Service's goal in performing inspections is to "protect public health by establishing safeguards for the control of food and preventing consumption of unwholesome, adulterated or otherwise unfit food."

Restaurants can get two different types of violations when getting inspected: critical violations and maintenance violations.

"A critical violation is more likely than other violations to be associated with food-borne

illness, and must be corrected at the time of inspection," the website for Suffolk's Food Control Unit states.

Critical violations include a worker not wearing gloves when holding food or food not being at the right temperature.

Maintenance violations concern the structural integrity of the building or the cleanliness of the eatery.

These violations include unlabeled food containers and "grime on the equipment," according to the Suffolk County government website.

Students who are interested in finding inspection reports for Suffolk County food and beverage establishments can go to the Department of Health Services's online restaurant database and search for the name of the restaurant.

Cheerleader-turned-explorer recounts travels

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when Mayor was forced to fulfill a science requirement for her English degree at the University of Miami.

After Mayor's first choice was full, she reluctantly signed up for the only class that did not interfere with her schedule: anthropology.

"I picked it because it fit the schedule, and it truly changed the course of my entire life," Mayor said.

This course reignited Mayor's love of animals and sense of adventure.

"It really piqued my curiosity," she said.

The anthropology class inspired Mayor to become an anthropologist and venture to countries such as Madagascar and Guyana.

"The extent of my traveling had been going to Disney World

as a kid," Mayor said. But eventually she was exploring different countries all over the world and living out of a dugout canoe for months on end.

Mayor said her new career path was unexpected, but "it is always good to sort of explore side roads."

In exploring her own interest in anthropology, Mayor found her calling.

Mayor's list of accomplishments is extensive. She discovered a new species of mouse lemur in Madagascar, and she was a part of the first long-term genetic study of the Perrier's sifaka and the Silky sifaka.

In her book, Mayor recounts expeditions that were up to ten months long with no everyday conveniences, but Mayor said that as a young girl, "when I asked my mom if I could join the girl scouts she said 'Absolutely not.' She said 'That's far

too dangerous."

For nearly ten years now, Mayor has been a featured wildlife correspondent for National Geographic appearing on programs such as "Ultimate Explorer," "Explorer," and "Out There."

Mayor does not conform to the stereotypes of a scientist or explorer and embraces her image.

"In the media I am described as the female Indiana Jones, and then I show up to an event here wearing heels and ring-tailed lemur pants," Mayor said.

"When an opportunity presents itself do not shy away from it," Mayor told the audience.

Mayor encouraged students to broaden their thinking.

"It is really important to keep your eyes open and your mind open to the different opportunities that you will have here at Stony Brook and throughout your life," she said.

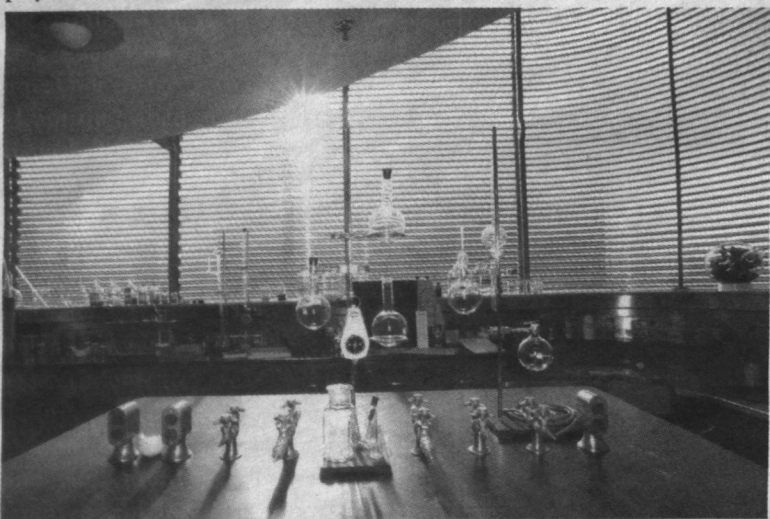


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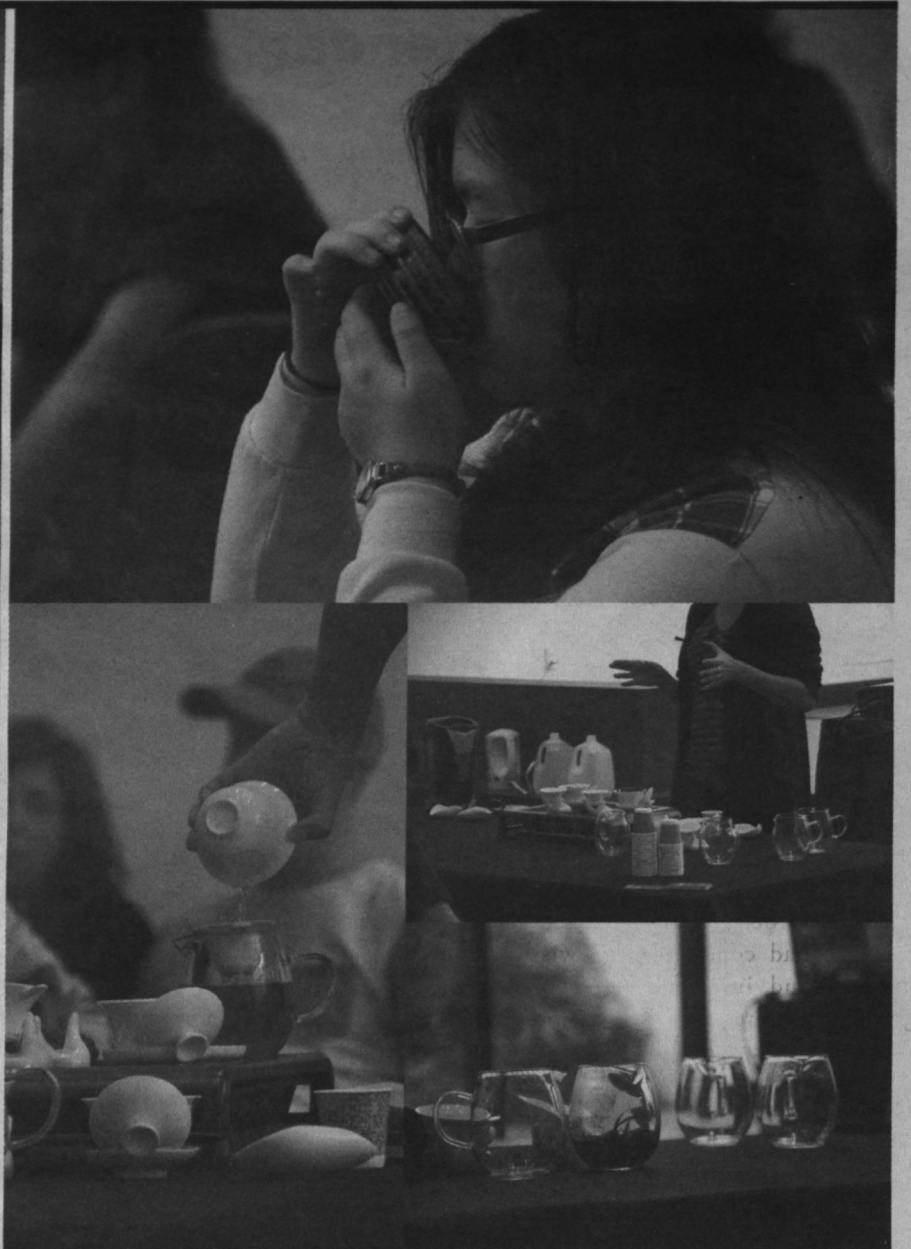
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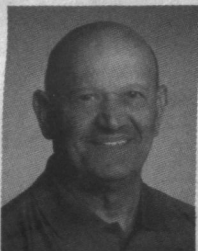
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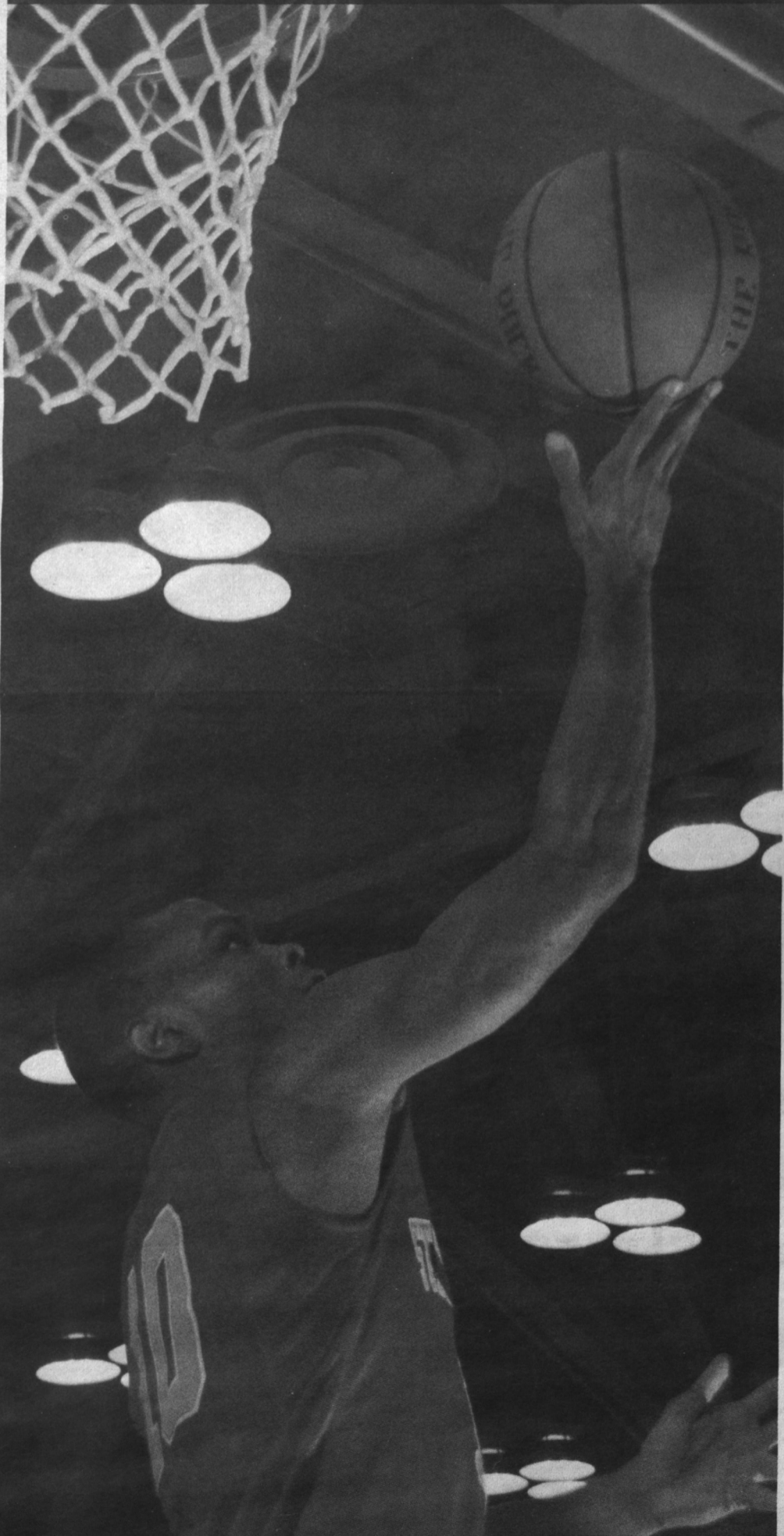
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The Undergraduate Student Government's fall Icona Pop concert brings the lights down



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Caroline Hjelt (left) and Aino Jawo, (right) both attended music school in Stockholm.



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In 2013, Icona Pop received the Teen Choice Award for Choice Music Breakout Group.

By Krysten Massa
Assistant Arts & Entertainment Editor

The scene in the SAC Ballroom A on Tuesday night for the October concert was sweaty, loud and filled with flashing lights.

Icona Pop was the headliner for Reverb's Campus Consciousness Tour that came to Stony Brook on Tuesday, Oct. 21. Along with the Swedish pop duo was the band Five Knives and the artist Lowell.

This year's Campus Consciousness Tour looked to support campus environmental groups, bringing attention to environmental campaigns and recognizing female student leaders.

All three bands brought the energy to campus. Icona Pop engaged the crowd by stating that they do not have colleges in Sweden and this is their first college tour.

"It's up to you guys to show us what it's all about," they yelled into the crowd.

Tables were set up along the right side of the room from different organizations, such as Defend Our Future, as well as clubs on campus. Rachel McClure works for Defend our Future, a non-

profit youth organization that supports electing candidates who are serious about climate change.

"We promote awareness to young voters, specifically the 18-to-25-year-old group," said McClure. She added that statistically speaking, local elections have the least support from 18-25 year old voters and her organization that travels with the Campus Consciousness Tour is trying to raise awareness of this issue and put candidates who are interested in climate change in office.

Reverb, who was the table next to Defend Our Future, is also a non-profit organization that works with bands and helps them tour while making the tour be entirely sustainable.

"Reducing trash, encouraging recycling, we try and limit as much emission as possible from the entire trip," McClure added.

The October concert this year was not able to be held on the Staller Steps because of safety issues, yet at the show on Tuesday night, the bass was so loud that one of the lights was actually popping out of the ceiling and the area needed to be cleared underneath due to the fear that it would crash down.

All of the students seemed to really enjoy themselves, waving their flashing glow sticks in the air the entire night.

"I think that it is amazing," said Marsha Thomas, a graduate student studying to be a physician assistant. "I think that it is a wonderful point bringing awareness to the earth in addition to great music," she added.

Lowell, an alternative pop artist who opened the show, entertained the crowd during her performance by getting in close to them and grabbing the students. Later on in the night, during Icona Pop's performance, she was found dancing in the crowd.

"Lowell grinded on me, and I want everyone to know that," said Ashley Daniliuk, a senior majoring in linguistics. Daniliuk said that she loved the show and thought that it was amazing. "I have a lot of new music to download now," she adds.

The space is made to hold about 700 people. However, there did not seem to be that many in attendance. Despite the fact that the venue was not filled to capacity, the crowd was still energetic and bouncing around

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Spanish Harlem Orchestra performs at Staller Center

By Sarah Kirkup
Staff Writer

For Oscar Hernandez, conductor of the Spanish Harlem Orchestra, getting on stage and performing with his group their style of Latin jazz music is the dream.

Yellow and green lights flashed down on the Spanish Harlem Orchestra during their performance Saturday night at the Staller Center main stage.

Their bass and percussion instruments had the audience dancing in their seats from beginning to end.

"It's something I love to do, I am performing music I love and it is a great thing," Hernandez said. "I love to see the audience while I am conducting. I am very blessed."

The Spanish Harlem Orchestra consists of 13 members.

Some of the instruments featured in the group are the flute, piano, percussion and various bass instruments.

Hernandez started playing the trumpet when he was 12 years old, but after a short time, he switched to piano.

"I felt like the piano was meant for me, I just kept practicing," Hernandez said.

Hernandez and the group won their first Grammy in 2002 for their album, *Un Gran Dia en el Barrio*, which won a Grammy for Best Salsa Album and a Latin Billboard Award for Salsa Album of the Year.

All of the albums the Spanish Harlem Orchestra have produced have either been nominated for a Grammy or have won one.

"I felt extremely proud to win my first Grammy, it feels amazing, you can't quite explain it," Hernandez said.

The orchestra played at Staller Center to celebrate Stony Brook's 25th annual Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration.

The energetic singers of the group, Ray De La Paz, Marco Bermudez and Carlos Cascante, were dancing and singing as well as joking around with the audience.

Oscar Hernandez, the conductor of the group, played the piano.

For Stony Brook Alumni coming back to see Staller Center built and able to play groups like the Spanish Harlem Orchestra bring

back old memories. "We have to come back during the day soon to the students walking around."

Debbie Roberts, a Stony Brook graduate said. "I remember mud holes being in the ground and there used to be fox hunting where the Staller Center was."

Roberts, along with the rest of the audience, was clapping and laughing during the performance.

"They burnt the stage down," Roberts said.

Alan Inkles, the Director of Staller Center for the Arts at Stony Brook University and founder/director of The Stony Brook Film Festival, was excited for the group to be playing at the Staller Center for the first time.

"We are so thrilled to have the Spanish Harlem Orchestra. We have been wanting to bring them in for many years now and because of the 25-year anniversary at the school we really wanted to do something special," Inkles said.

During the performance the band had some sound issues, with blown out speakers that continued through most of the performance.

John Rowe and his wife, who has a degree in music at Stony Brook, attended the show. They enjoyed the music but, said that there was terrible balance.

They agreed that the musicians played well, but they were too loud and it was difficult to hear the singing.

The Staller Center had given away a lot of tickets to groups to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month.

"We are expecting a full house Saturday evening. We have students coming and we have even donated tickets to churches and schools," Inkles said.

William Floyd High School was at the show on Saturday.

"I liked the way they put the dancing, the singing and even the cha-cha into the performance, it was awesome," Derek Robinson, teacher at William Floyd High School, said.

Recently, Hernandez and his band played at the Jazz Alley in Seattle.

The Spanish Harlem Orchestra has played all over the country and globally in countries like Russia, Australia, Singapore and

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PHOTO CREDIT: SPANISH HARLEM ORCHESTRA

Oscar Hernandez, above, is also well-known for writing the theme song for the HBO series "Sex and the City."

SBU fall concert was better than expected

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the entire time.

"This is the smallest room that we have performed in for the tour so far," said Nathan Barlowe, guitarist of Five Knives. "I'm surprised, the crowd was really great," he added.

The bands may not have been known to many students going into the show, however, they made their impressions.

"It totally blew me away," said Sacha Sellam, a senior majoring in art history. "I'm so happy that this was done, and I'm glad I still came out

even though it is a Tuesday night."

Icona Pop ended the night with their most known song, "I Love It." When they began to play this final song, the crowd erupted and flashing lights flew through the dark room. For many in attendance, this was the one song that they actually knew.

USG also used this opportunity to announce the artists who will be performing at this year's "Back to the Brook" concert.

DJ 3LAU and rap artist Lupe Fiasco will perform and the concert will be held in Stony Brook Arena.

Sound hiccups at Latin jazz orchestra concert

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many places in Europe.

There was a time when the orchestra played about 10 shows a month on various stages. But they have been performing three shows a month on average now, according to Hernandez.

"It depends when it is busy, probably in the summer we get the most shows but it really does depend on the year," Hernandez said.

All of the players in the Spanish Harlem Orchestra are from the New York area and Hernandez chooses his players for the group.

"We get along great," Hernandez said. "We don't practice, we only get together to play when we perform or record our albums."

In his free time Hernandez enjoys going to musical concerts, watching a good movie and going to the beach.

The night ended with members of the audience standing up and dancing with the singers and just enjoying the rest of the performance.

"I have now been doing this for 40 years and I am very proud of my accomplishments, I have made a living doing something I enjoy," Hernandez said.

How are Seawolves' celebrating their Halloween?



Mary Bracho
Junior, biology major



Zuri Dawkins
Senior, biology major



Jeffery Gao
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Camecee Pyle
Junior, political science major



Rocco Magaletto
Senior, math major



Valentine Edwards
Junior, biochemistry major

How will Stony Brook Students be spending their Halloween weekend? For some, it is all about the parties and the sexy costumes. For others, it is about trick-or-treating. **Mary Bracho** said that she will spend her Halloween trick-or-treating with her four-year-old brother and 12-year-old sister. **Zuri Dawkins** plans on going into the city and dressing up. As far as her costume goes, she is thinking about being Scary Spice from the Spice Girls. **Jeffery Gao** said that this is his first year in America for Halloween, and he is not sure what to do. He would also like to go into the city and he will ask his roommate for costume suggestions. **Camecee Pyle** wants the best of both worlds. She plans to trick-or-treat with her friends around the Stony Brook area and also attend a party off-campus. **Rocco Magaletto** and his friend **Valentine Edwards** plan on throwing a party on Thursday at Wall Street, hosted by their friend group that they call "Club Basement." They said that they will wear different costumes for three different days of partying.

-Compiled by Krysten Massa

College gal cooking: minty-coconut candy brownies

By Giselle Barkley
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Halloween is around the corner and what better way to celebrate it than to make some fudgy brownies infused with candy bars.

According to New England Recipes, the chef of the Palmer House Hotel created brownies "during the 1893 [Chicago World's] Columbian Exposition" when Bertha Palmer asked that the chef make a "lady's dessert." According to PBS, Palmer became the chairwoman of the Columbian Exposition's Board of Lady Managers, in 1891.

She wanted the dessert to "be used in box lunches at the Women's Building" for the fair.

This recipe is going to turn this American classic into a more non traditional dessert that you

can eat at any time.

the mixing bowl and stir until the ingredients are mixed thoroughly.

Then, take the mint patties and the Almond Joy bars and chop them into half-inch pieces.

I put the candy into the fridge after I buy it so that it is more firm before I chop it. This is not necessary. The size of these pieces can be bigger than half an inch. Regardless of their size, the pieces of mint patty and Almond Joy bars will melt while the brownies are baking in the oven.

Take the chopped pieces of candy and add them to the brownie mixture.

Stir the chopped pieces of candy into the mixture so that the candy pieces are distributed throughout the mixture evenly.

After mixing all of the ingredients together, pour the mixture evenly into a greased baking pan. Then place the baking pan, with the mixture, into the oven and let it cook for at least 28 minutes.

Make sure that you check the brownies periodically to ensure that they will not overcook.

Do not cut the brownies immediately after taking them out of the oven because the brownies may fall apart.

Allow the brownies to cool in the pan.

After they cool for a few minutes, cut and enjoy your minty coconut brownies.

Brownies are pretty easy to make, especially if you buy pre-made brownie mix, but there are many ways to spice up the recipe.



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National browie day is celebrated on Dec. 8. The first brownie was created in 1893 at the Columbian Exposition in Chicago and it contained walnuts and apricot glaze.

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A fall break would be a welcome sight

By Emily Benson
Staff Writer

On Oct. 13, I woke up to a phone blown up with Snapchats (not to boast about my popularity with the app, though I do tend to send some pretty introspective toilet selfies). I was saddened by my many snaps, all of which were taken by friends relaxing at home during their fall break or Columbus Day weekend.

What is fall break, you may ask? It is a day or two off in the middle of the fall semester. In other words, an essential break for all college students everywhere.

Like most of the Stony Brook population, I find myself drowning in homework, essays and labs for the duration of the week.

If I ever get a spare moment of free time after finishing my work, I will use every precious second of those few minutes to either eat, sleep or bathe, three things I struggle to remember are necessary during midterms.

Most universities seem to understand that having three months straight of classes and continuous work is a lot for students to handle.

According to Stony Brook's academic calendar, classes run from Sept. 2 to Nov. 27 with no breaks in between. This is just shy of three months, from just barely the third week of school all the way until Thanksgiving break.

Excluding community colleges, 23 of the SUNY schools have either a fall break, Columbus Day break or Yom Kippur off. Stony Brook, Buffalo, Canton and Oswego are the only schools without any kind of a fall break.

Does Stony Brook not see the trend here? Do we want to be that school always two weeks late on these things? Come on Stony, all the cool kids are doing it.

I do not have the luxury of just merrily skipping home every weekend.

But Stony Brook should also take note that these small, fall breaks are popular for a reason. It is a mental break for students. Some much needed extra time in the semester to catch up on readings, studying or, in many cases, sleep.

Some of us really only need the time off to breathe. Having classes for several weeks straight is a marathon we have to sprint to make it through alive.

A fall break would give those a chance to go home before Thanksgiving without having to miss class and allows them time with their families without having to wait the long three months to do so.

Being one of the four students that came to Stony Brook from upstate, getting home means a \$70 train ticket and six hours of my life on public transportation.

I do not have the luxury of just merrily skipping home every weekend. It takes at least a week of planning to find the cheapest tickets at the most convenient times. And with my Friday classes, going home on a normal weekend would give me all of one day to enjoy the wonders of home before having to pack up all my things and leave a few hours later to get back for classes.

I feel like my request is not a huge one, or at least it should not be. And I am not the only one on campus quietly seething at the fact I had to go to class on Columbus Day.

Our fall break does not need to be huge, (though I will not lie, I almost started an application to SUNY Potsdam when I saw their fall recess was five days long).

All I want is a long weekend to recuperate from the hectic, non-stop strife of my classes so I can go home for a few days, jump into my own bed and cuddle with my cat. I know for a fact that my sanity would thank Stony Brook greatly.

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Sex change is a constitutional right

By Elsie Boskamp
Contributing Writer

The 21st century has been an era of change, especially within the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender communities.

Equality is of utmost importance to these groups, and it seems as if New York City agrees.

The City Council and the de Blasio administration are supporting what officials and activists are calling one of the nation's most

The change will potentially redefine the role of sex and gender in American society.

progressive legal proposals relating to transgender rights, as reported in The New York Times.

If approved, the change will potentially redefine the role of sex and gender in American society, an issue particularly important to transgender individuals.

The proposal would allow individuals to change the sex on their

birth certificates, with the support of a health care official, based solely on their identity, not their anatomy. For many transgender and intersex individuals struggling with identity issues, this law is life changing.

It is not clear how this decision will affect Stony Brook University, as the campus LGBT Alliance said they are "not able to comment on this development or its impact on a person's ability to legally transition."

It is anticipated, however, that this development will, to an extent, have some impact on the campus because of its proximity to the city.

Although society may have difficulty accepting individuals who do

not necessarily conform to sex and gender norms, these individuals are just as entitled as the rest of us to feel comfortable in their own skin and to have the right to live their life the way they see fit.

If living their lives to the fullest involves them identifying as a gender other than what their biological sex suggests, I do not see a reason for stopping them.

Under the Declaration of Independence, all people in the United States are entitled to "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

If someone's pursuit of hap-

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California, Vermont, Oregon and Washington all already passed similar legislation to the bill proposed in NYC.

Culture is easy to forget

By Tejen Shah
Assistant Opinions Editor

Earlier this month, the Hindu Student Council held its annual Garba celebration. Over 500 people attended the colorful event.

What is Garba, you ask? To put it in the simplest terms, it is a form of dance that originated in the state of Gujarat in India. In this dance, people form circles and clap to a beat.

To be very frank, although my parents and ancestors hail from Gujarat, I have never actually liked doing Garba, but I realize it is not about the dance alone. It is much more than that. It is about retaining something more important than just a few moves.

It is about holding onto something that will outlast you and is ultimately greater than any individual person. That "something" is your heritage.

If you are like a large portion of Stony Brook students, you, your parents or grandparents were born in another country and immigrated to the United States for either more opportunities, or maybe even a single opportunity.

No matter how hard you try to remain loyal to the country you hail from, it will become increasingly difficult to keep yourself in touch with all of its traditions and customs. You will slowly but surely assimilate into American culture, and by no means is that a bad thing.

I, for one, am a first-generation American. My parents immigrated to the United States from India long before I was born. So, by the time that I was born, my parents had essentially become Americans. They wear American clothes, speak English in the house and at work, and even adopted American versions of their Indian names.

My older sister, who, like

me, was born in the States, was completely immersed in American traditions by the time I was born.

What I admire about my family is that we are just as American as we are Indian. There is certain value in retaining traditions. It is essentially retaining your individuality.

Too many times I meet people who say that they are, for example, a quarter Irish, half Italian and a quarter Chinese. I then ask them what parts of those rich cultures they keep in touch with. More often than not, they respond honestly and admit that they "do not identify with any of these cultures."

I guess you can call these people mutts, but nonetheless, I cannot help but feel bad for them. I cannot imagine living a life not knowing where I come from. There is some type of solace in knowing that you come from a long line of culture.

In some cases, people are lucky enough to be part of two races and thus, have had experience with multiple cultures. They have parents of different backgrounds. They celebrate the holidays and carry out the traditions of both cultures.

There is nothing more beautiful than that. You might think traditions like Garba, opening Christmas presents, lighting the Menorah and fasting during Eid may be superfluous, but their purpose is something greater. They are meant to be a force by which families, and people in general, stick together.



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At SBU, over 500 people celebrated their heritage or the culture of others by attending the annual Garba celebration.

Languages open doors

By Jonathon Kline
Assistant Opinions Editor

really shows "how the other half lives," so to speak.

I would almost liken the ex-

Every person has some sort of regret. Some regret that they did not go for a certain job, while others regret that they did not ask out that cute guy or girl that lived down the hall from them. But a regret that seems to be almost universal among many people is the regret that they did not study a second language while they went to college.

Second languages are, in essence, the life blood of the world. While we, as a global community, have certain languages like English and French that are used universally, speaking to a person in their native tongue really helps connect both you and the other person together.

It shows that you went out of your way to try to learn some of their language and, by association, a part of their culture.

On top of this, learning a second language really helps you see something from another person's point of view.

I cannot even begin to describe how many stories I have heard in Spanish about the incredible lives of so many people coming over to America in hopes of a better life.

In fact, I still remember one time at my job when one of my

Now the problem...is that second languages are not really all too stressed to students.

experience to driving a car: I could read a thousand manuals on how to drive a car, but until I actually give it a go, I would never what it is like.

The same principle carries over in this scenario; I can read a thousand books on the history of Germany, but until I go over there and see in person how the people live, I will never truly know what it is like.

Now the problem that I see at Stony Brook, and really in the United States public education system, is that second languages are not really all too stressed to students.

I know that for a lot of public high schools, foreign language programs are normally the first programs to either get cut or lose funding should budget issues arise.

On the flip side at Stony Brook, I know that a number of students can place out of taking a second language if they met a specific grade requirement when they took a second language in high school.

But that does not mean that we should not take any more language classes because we can not only broaden our job prospects, but our cultural aspects too.

So go out and explore all of the language opportunities offered at Stony Brook; take a class in German or Japanese, French or Russian.

Try one out because who knows, you might fall in love with the language and culture that you will decide to study, which in turn might open up doors you would have never had known existed.

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bosses was surprised to hear me speaking Spanish with one of the cleanup crew men, who was regaling me with the story of his travels to America and the hardships that he faced just to get here.

On top of showing a profound cultural respect, learning a second language can really show you how big our society really is.

Though I have not been granted the opportunity to study or go abroad, many of my friends and colleagues have said that by learning the language of a place you plan on going to visit/live in



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Learning different languages, like Spanish, can allow one to speak to others in their native tongue, paving the way for stronger personal connections with others.

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Do what you love and love what you do

By Jeremy Kline
Staff Writer

"Do something you love, and you will never work a day in your life."

How many of us have heard this line of rationale used by family members, friends and educators? I know that I have heard this line all throughout my life, and I am sure you have too.

But there is a problem with this line of reasoning: money. As college students, we have been asked since day one what we want to do with the rest of our lives.

Pursue something because it provides you with [an] enjoyable life.

Alas, many of us here at Stony Brook University came in with high hopes of medical school, or participating in ground-breaking scientific research, or developing the next greatest technology known to man.

But then reality hits: maybe you were not nearly as good at chemistry as you thought you

were, or sitting through one more lecture about photosynthesis is going to spark a homicidal tendency in you to destroy all plant life on this earth.

Or maybe you realize that you simply do not want to go through the rigors of the pre-med, science or engineering programs here at Stony Brook. And now, you feel lost and confused.

I have got fantastic news for you. You are just like everybody else. Nobody can possibly know, with absolute certainty, what they want to do with the rest of their life.

Sure, some people may actually wind up going to med school, or become engineers, or become scientific researchers.

But for every person who started off on that course track, there are at least ten who have fallen off it. You should not feel

like a failure just because you do not follow that career.

Not only this, but you need to enjoy your life as well. I am not saying to go out and party every day that ends in "y." You need to find a balance between fun and work.

But if you wake up every day miserable, hating your job and your career, then no amount of money or success is going to make your life enjoyable.

I think it is worth it, if nothing but for your own mental health, to make sure that you pick some kind of career that will not drive you insane.

Maybe what I am trying to get at is this: yes, it is important to find a career that pays a salary one can live off of, if not more.

That being said, do not follow some career path because you feel that your parents want you to or

because you do not know what else you would do with your life if you were not an engineer.

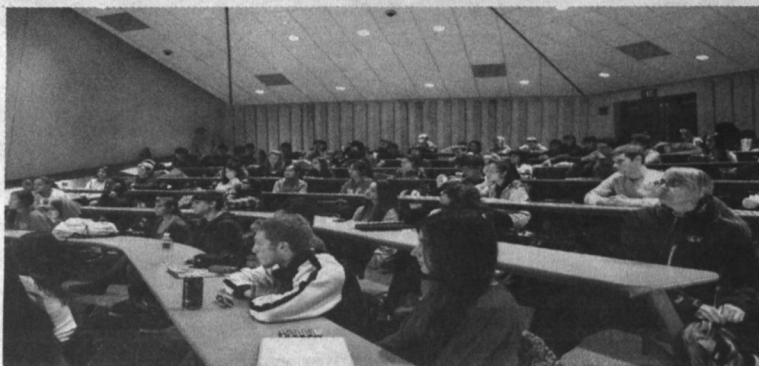
Pursue something because it provides you with a comfortable, enjoyable life. Because ultimate-

But for every person who started off on [a] course track, there are at least ten who have fallen off it.

ly, life is a story.

Every single one of us has our own story to tell. How boring would your story be if you let someone else write it for you?

So take a class in something that interests you. Take a risk. Fall in love. Chase your dreams. Because when you look back on your life years from now, the things and people that will be the most important will be those that you loved.



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Students can feel lost and confused when they discover that the career they once dreamed of having is no longer the career they want to stick with for the rest of their lives.

Transgender rights realized

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piness leads them to identify with a different sex than their biology suggests, are we really in the right to stop them?

I do not think so, and apparently, neither do officials in California, Vermont, Oregon and Washington, states that have already passed laws with similar guidelines.

Although New York State currently allows changes to birth certificates on the basis of psychological identity and without reconstructive surgery, New York City is a different story. However, it may not be for long.

The city's proposal is sponsored by Councilman Corey Johnson, who said that under the bill, "your gender becomes less about your physicality and more about how you live as a human being."

If the bill is truly designed to promote the lives of human beings, then why would any human being oppose it?

Just as women are treated as being equal to men, transgendered people should be treated as equal to those who are cisgender.

This proposed law is about equality and society's acceptance of transgender people.

To continue to mend the division between male and female sexes and to change the American culture toward transgender, gay, lesbian and bisexual people, the acceptance of this law is essential in New York City.

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Anderson continues to lead defense after returning from injury

By Andrew Eichenholz
Assistant Sports Editor

"Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do," John Wooden, a legendary basketball coach, once said.

Davonte Anderson was getting ready to do what he does best in the spring of 2013, keeping the aerial assault of opposing offenses to a minimum.

The defensive back was getting ready for one more big run at glory for his team, as they entered the Colonial Athletic Association after he earned the honor of recognition on the 2012 All-Big South second team.

That was before Anderson hurt his shoulder.

Ahead of the biggest challenge yet for the Seawolves, when they were heading into a newer and tougher conference, arguably one of their biggest defensive assets could do nothing to help on the field. That did not stop the Corona, Calif. native.

"I was still very, very involved," Anderson said. He was not kidding.

To Anderson's disappointment, he did not have a chance to jump in between the sidelines to take part in the action. But, anything he could do to help he did.

"I was pretty much the coach on the sideline," Anderson said. One of head coach Chuck Priore's defensive stars did more than just that, though. He was, "coaching the young guys," as well.

Coming off of a season in which as a junior, Anderson snatched passes away from opposing quarterbacks six times, the interceptions came when it mattered most. Against Villanova in the 2012 Division I Football Cham-

pionship's first round, Anderson came up with not one, but two huge picks to help the Seawolves to their 20-10 win. It is fair to say that Anderson proved his worth at defensive back, but he was still not satisfied.

"I was getting a lot of mental reps learning [on the sideline]," Anderson said in discussion of when he was injured last season. "I still felt a part of the everyday success and failures."

Michael Bamiro, who was a star offensive lineman for the Seawolves before signing with the Philadelphia Eagles, where he was on the practice squad for a year, saw Anderson's effort.

"What I saw in Davonte everyday during practices or training is his want and desire to do better," Bamiro said. "He was always a guy who led by example on and off the field."

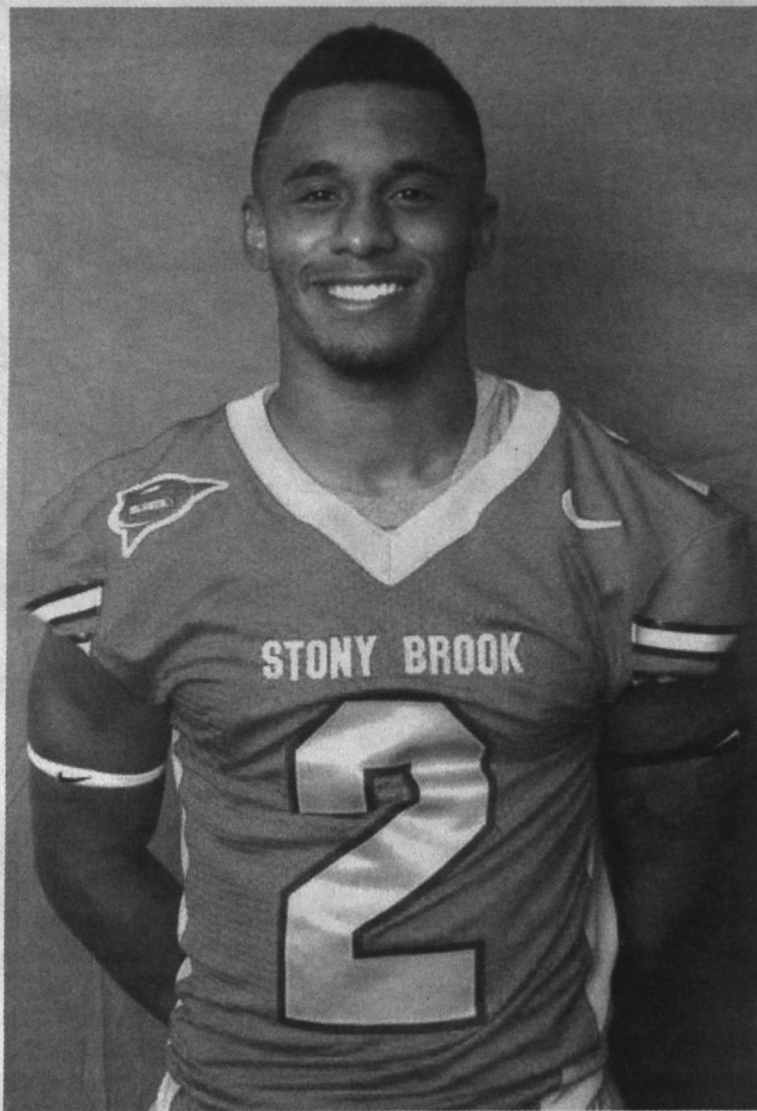
The transition from the Big South to the CAA was not the smoothest for Stony Brook, but one constant was Anderson chomping at the bit to get back on the field.

"I would always wake up and think man, 'I wish I can be out there with my team, I wish I can be out there on the field and help them win,'" Anderson said. "It was an everyday thing."

The hard work to be ready for his final shot in Seawolves red has paid off so far this season for Anderson.

Coincidentally enough, Anderson, No. 2, entered the year with the second most interceptions in the school's Division I history. It only took until the team's third conference game of the season against Maine for a new name to top the record books.

When Dan Collins dropped back and threw up a jump ball



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Davonte Anderson, above, has three interceptions so far this season.

down the near sideline, it was the shorter Anderson who outleaped the receiver he was covering to tie Stony Brook's interception record of 15 at the Division I-level.

"It's a great accomplishment," Anderson said. "I try not to think about it too much, though, I'm just trying

to focus on doing what I need to do to help the team win."

To Anderson, leading is more important than individual accolades.

"It's a great accomplishment that people see me as a leader and want me to step up and lead a group of men," Anderson said.

"I've always seen myself as a leader my whole life, my dad's always preached me to be a leader not a follower."

Although he is not an official captain, Anderson acts just like one, doing whatever he can to help his teammates, especially his defense, which has stood out during this campaign.

"Last year was tough," Anderson said. "But it was a big learning experience for us."

With Anderson's inventory of knowledge gained from taking in the action on the side in the team's back pockets, the Seawolves have cut the number of yards they give up per game by over 100 yards and now lead the Football Championship Subdivision.

As the Seawolves look to finish strong despite missing out on a chance to qualify for the playoffs, Anderson is confident that the defense will not let up.

"If we just keep working hard and doing our job, we'll be all right," Anderson said.

After nearly five whole seasons on Long Island, the cornerback's time in college is nearly at its end.

"I'm honestly just taking in every single moment," Anderson said. "This is probably one of the greatest moments I'll have in my life so every single moment waking up for practice and games, getting ready, putting on cleats, just every single thing I'm just trying to take in a picture in my mind and keep it in there as long as I can."

One thing is for sure, those pictures will be of one of the most successful careers of a defensive back in Stony Brook history.

Renovations for Pritchard pool set to begin

By Kelly Zegers
Assistant News Editor

President Samuel L. Stanley Jr. announced in his annual State of the University address that the Pritchard Gymnasium Pool will be renovated and completed in spring 2016.

The renovation is expected to begin in October, as the New York State Department of Budget approved the bid amount for the renovation, according to Media Relations Officer Lauren Sheprow.

"It was really decrepit and needed to be repaired," Stanley said at an Oct. 1 meeting with student media.

The facility, which was originally completed in 1966, closed for renovations in 2012.

Construction was expected to begin in fall 2012, according to an October 2011 newsletter from Vice President for Facilities and Services Barbara Chernow, but the critical maintenance money for all State University of New York Campuses was cut.

The funds were cut significantly again in 2013, although Stony Brook was the only SUNY campus to restore some money to be used for projects such as power lines and chilling plants, Stanley said.

"We fought really hard to get the critical maintenance money restored, as did other SUNY campuses, and this year we had the money in the budget," he said.

The project was originally expected to cost between eight and 10

million dollars, but will cost closer to \$12.7 million, as discovered in the bidding process.

An anonymous donor stepped forward to pay the difference between what was budgeted for the renovation and the actual cost, Stanley said.

"Honestly I think we would have fought to find funds anyway, but I'm incredibly grateful for this donor because that means that things can go to other projects that are important," Stanley said.

The lowest bidder for the project was Fortunato Sons Contracting, Inc. of Bohemia, N.Y., the contractor that conducted the Arena renovation project.

The renovation will include deepening the pool to increase safety for diving and the installation of a "moveable bottom," an adjustable plastic platform that will be able to adjust the depth of the shallow end of the pool.

The depth could be increased for competition swimming and decreased for recreational and young swimmers, John Fogarty, director of capital planning for campus planning, design and construction, said in an email.

The pool will have a regulated temperature, wider swimming lanes, electronic lane timing systems for competition and new display panels for the scoreboard.

The three existing diving boards will be replaced, with the highest being three-meters, Fogarty said. Retractable bleachers will seat 200 spectators.

A new ventilation system will reduce humidity for spectator comfort.

"I think it's going to be really cool when it's done," Stanley said. "It's not going to look very much like the old pool did. It will be the old pool only in the sense that it's in the same location essentially."

Stanley said that he "felt terrible" for members of the university's swimming and diving team, as well as members of the Stony Brook University community who used the pool before it closed.

He said he apologizes to seniors who will not see the new pool, and possibly to juniors who might not see the pool, adding, "I think around 2016 is when we're looking to have the whole thing done."

He said that there were discussions over the question of whether there would continue to competitive teams "in that area."

"We actually never received any 'official news,'" Allison Zelnick, a graduate student who was on the swimming and diving team, said in an email.

"When President Stanley said in his address that the pool would open in spring 2016, it was news for everyone as well as the athletic department. They said he pretty much dropped a bomb on them."

"It was never my intention to take it out of service, but it was really, I would have to say, beyond my control as things happened the way they did," Stanley said. "But we're now back to the place we need to be."

Seawolves top AE coaches poll

By Joe Galotti
Sports Editor

Before they begin their inaugural season playing at the brand new Stony Brook Arena, the SBU men's basketball team will get to celebrate another first.

On Thursday afternoon, it was announced that the Seawolves have finished in first place in this year's America East men's preseason coaches' poll.

It is the first time in the program's history that Stony Brook has been selected as the conference's preseason favorite.

The Seawolves were able to top the poll after receiving six out of a possible eight first place votes.

Last year, Stony Brook finished with an overall record of 23-11 and went 13-3 in America East play.

The team then made it all the to the conference championship game before falling to Albany in the Seawolves final game at Pritchard Gymnasium.

A pair of Seawolves players also received individual preseason honors.

Juniors Jameel Warney and Carson Puriefoy were selected to the preseason America East All-Conference team.

Other selections included Albany's Peter Hooley, Hartford's Mark Nwakamma and Bing-

hamton's Jordan Reed.

Last season Warney averaged 14.5 points and eight rebounds a game.

Puriefoy averaged 12.9 points per game and led the Seawolves with 86 assists.

The Stony Brook women's basketball team also enters the season with high expectations from coaches around the conference, as they finished in second place in the America East women's preseason coaches poll.

Ranked first is Albany, who defeated the Seawolves in last year's conference championship game.

Senior forward Sabre Proctor was also named the to the all-conference team for the second consecutive season.

Last year she finished third in the conference in scoring, averaging 14.4 points per contest.

The four other players named to the all-conference team were Albany's Shereesha Richards, Maine's Liz Wood, UMass Lowell's Shannon Samuels and New Hampshire's Corinne Coia.

The Stony Brook men's basketball team will begin their season on Nov. 14, when they host Columbia.

The SBU women's basketball team will tip off their season the following day when the Seawolves welcome Saint Peter's to Stony Brook Arena.

Women's soccer fails to earn America East tournament bid

By Cameron Boon
Assistant Sports Editor

With its 1-0 loss at New Hampshire on Sunday afternoon, the Stony Brook women's soccer team lost hope of once again qualifying for the America East Tournament, finishing the season in seventh place in the conference.

A goal in the 21st minute by Wildcat forward Brooke Murphy was all that New Hampshire needed to end the season of the defending regular season co-America East Champion Seawolves.

Despite outshooting the Wildcats 11-10 in the game, the Seawolves could not muster anything after the 80th minute, during which redshirt sophomore Raven Edwards hit the post.

Entering the game, Stony Brook controlled their own fate, having the opportunity to beat the New Hampshire in order to earn their conference tournament berth.

As the final minutes ticked off the clock, so did the careers of many key Seawolves.

Redshirt senior goalkeeper Ashley Castanio and seniors, forward Megan Rea, senior midfielder Christina Casamasima and senior forward Shannon Grogan put on their Stony Brook jerseys for the final time as Seawolves.

Grogan and Rea both excelled as they spent their final moments of college soccer on the field,



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Seawolves' senior forward Megan Rae (No. 10) looks to move the ball upfield against Hartford during Stony Brook University's matchup with the Hawks Wednesday night.

kicking two shots and one shot on goal, respectively.

Although Castanio gave up the lone goal of the contest, she did contribute well to the effort with six saves in the game.

Edwards ended up leading the team's scoring effort for the season, putting four of the team's 17 goals in the back of the net.

Freshman forward Maddie Good proved that she will be a player to look out for as the Seawolves prepare for next season, contributing three goals in her first season at Stony Brook.

Junior Tessa Devereaux was a major contributor to the team's efforts this season, as she was a

part of many of the team's goals, assisting on seven while scoring two of her own.

On Thursday, the Seawolves took on the America East-leading Hartford Hawks and played them to a 0-0 draw in a match on the team's senior night at LaValle Stadium.

"I think both teams are disappointed," head coach Sue Ryan said after the tie.

"I think earlier in the year, both teams walk away going 'oh it's a point.' But now they're going 'wow we both had opportunities and are disappointed not to get the three points.'"

The good thing about the draw

is that the Seawolves now control their own destiny in a matchup against the New Hampshire Wildcats on Sunday afternoon in Durham, N.H.

In a game in which the Hawks outshot Stony Brook 26-11, it was the rock in the back, Ashley Castanio, doing what she has done for the past four years. She made two incredible saves, along with seven others, to keep Chanel Johnson and company out of the net.

Sidney Spemullo was open in the first half, as she spun and tried to get a sold shot off, but the Oceanside, N.Y. native dove and tipped it wide of the net.

Women's Volleyball sweeps Hartford Men's soccer snaps losing streak

By Zach Rowe
Staff Writer

This Friday night, the Stony Brook women's volleyball team played host to the Hartford Hawks, in what ended up being a dominant win for the Seawolves as they thoroughly outclassed their opponent.

The team demonstrated great tenacity and focus in the victory, proving to be too much a match for Hartford in a 3-0 (25-14, 25-8, 25-20) win.

The win gave the Seawolves a 4-3 conference record in a 13-11 overall season.

The first set was a fine win for the Seawolves, as they demonstrated tremendous quality in an easy victory in the first frame.

The team managed to break out a solid lead and never lost it.

Stony Brook was up 9-6 early and then went on a 7-0 run to pull away.

The Seawolves closed out the set with easily, taking the early advantage in the match with a 25-14 win.

The second set was another easy win for the Seawolves, as they managed to gain a big lead and not give it up.

The match started 4-4, but the Seawolves quickly went on a 15-1 run, steamrolling to a 19-5 lead.

They were able to close it out soon after, wrapping up the set 25-8 with the last point being credited to Lo Hathaway after

an assist from Taylor Gillie.

The third set was a much closer affair, as they were unable to coast to a victory as they had in the previous sets.

Hartford appeared to be within striking distance, but never took the lead late in the game.

However, they still managed to pull out a solid win, finishing off the match with a 25-20 win.

It was Evann Slaughter who ended the final set with a kill, which was set up by Nicole Vogel.

The win was a great overall performance for the entire Seawolves team.

Melissa Rigo put up a double double, racking up 10 kills and a team-leading 13 digs, along with an ace on 50 percent hitting.

Slaughter put up 10 kills of her own with three digs.

Vogel put up 35 assists, while Emily Costello contributed a pair of aces, both of which led their team.

Stephanie McFadden was also very efficient in the match, recording eight kills on 11 total attacks, putting up the highest hitting percentage on the team at 72.7 percent.

Gillie finished the day with six kills, along with a team-leading five blocks and three assists.

"I think our team did a great job today overall," Slaughter said after the match. "We had each others backs, we were going for balls we normally

wouldn't and I think all of just played hard, all 16 of us and that's why we won today."

Playing in front of the Stony Brook faithful at Pritchard Gymnasium has proven to be a big boost for the Seawolves this year. On Friday the team was able to improve their spectacular home record to 8-2.

"It's great," Slaughter said of the environment in Pritchard. "The band is so much energy, its loud with horns and everything and then you have our fans, and we always have other athletes coming to cheer us on, and its something I'm going to miss when I leave and graduate."

The Seawolves next match will take place this Thursday when they face off against Delaware State in Dover, Del.

The match will be the Seawolves' last non-conference match of the year, as Stony Brook prepares itself for its final run of conference teams before the America East championship.

The Seawolves final five games will take place against UMBC, Binghamton, Albany, New Hampshire and UMass-Lowell.

Their matchups against Albany and Binghamton will be at home.

Stony Brook is chasing the Wildcats of UNH for the top spot in the conference. They currently sit at 6-1, with Binghamton one game behind them at 5-2.

By Chris Gaine
Contributing Writer

With the team in desperate need of a conference win, Stony Brook soccer got just what they had hoped for out of their trip to Albany.

The Seawolves defeated the Great Danes 3-2 on Friday night, snapping a four-game losing streak and a two-game conference losing streak.

With the win, Stony Brook currently sits sixth in the America East standings with a 2-3 conference record and a 4-10-1 overall record.

The teams that finished in the top six in the conference will get to compete in the America East championship tournament, which begins on Nov. 8.

Stony Brook jumped out to an early lead in the 23rd minute when midfielder Alejandro Fritz kicked one past Albany for a 1-0 lead.

The team nearly took that lead into the half, until Albany's Brandon Wilson scored the equalizer late in the 45th minute.

Both teams went to the locker rooms at halftime with the score tied 1-1.

During the second half, the Seawolves would discover their scoring touch.

Midfielder Keith McKenna scored an unassisted goal seven minutes into the half to put Stony Brook back on top.

Five minutes later, the Sea-

Castanio did the same thing in overtime, going full extension on a shot by Aaliyah Ingram on the turf, and she tipped it wide to keep the game going.

"The biggest thing is to see where they plant their foot and go with your instincts," she said.

"You cannot underestimate this. When she's on her game this way, you feel like they can't score and we can't lose," Ryan added.

The game went back and forth all the way, but the Seawolves were not able to get many shots to the net.

Of the 11 they took, only one of them got to the net, with a few of them getting blocked by Hartford defenders.

The only shot that got through was after a through ball from Elise Pratt found Shannon Grogan on the left side of the box, but the chip shot in the clear did not get high enough, and Jessica Jurg was able to haul it in.

Overall, the Seawolves finished their season with a 5-10-2 record, going 2-4-2 in the America East.

The team was dominant at home, performing well at Kenneth P. LaValle Stadium.

All five of the Seawolves wins on the year came at home.

Their performance on the road, however, was not as strong.

In the games that Ryan's team left the Stony Brook campus, they returned with nine losses.

Stony Brook will spend their offseason working towards getting back to the top of the America East Conference.

wolves would strike again as Martin Giordano scored what would prove to be the game-deciding goal.

Albany's Ivan Martinez scored in the 61st minute to bring the Great Danes back within a goal.

However, this would prove to be too little too late, as the Seawolves would hold on to win the game.

The win snapped a four game losing streak and a two game road losing streak.

Friday's game marked just the second Seawolves road win of the season.

Additionally, the Albany game also marked perhaps the most impressive offensive game Stony Brook has had in weeks.

After scoring just two goals in their previous five contests, the Seawolves were able to score three against a reeling Albany team that has won just one of their last 11 games.

With another road game scheduled for Tuesday against Harvard, Stony Brook can only hope that momentum from the Albany game will come with them.

The team will face off in Cambridge at 7 p.m.

SBU will then head to Binghamton on Saturday for another key America East conference matchup.

The Seawolves will conclude their regular season schedule on Nov. 5 when they welcome UMBC to LaValle Stadium.

SPORTS

Seawolves fall just short in attempt to upset Wildcats

By Cameron Boon
Assistant Sports Editor

Stony Brook fought hard in Durham against the nation's fifth-ranked team in New Hampshire, but could not overcome two fumbles lost, an interception and a critical blocked extra point as they lost to the Wildcats 28-20 in a CAA Football matchup at Cowell Stadium Saturday afternoon.

The Seawolves were able to get very productive performances on the offensive end from Donavin Washington and Adrian Coxson, but it was not enough. Coxson finished the day with eight catches for 101 yards and a touchdown.

It was Washington who had the career day, however, finishing with 11 catches for 102 yards, both of which are career-highs. The 11 receptions tie the freshman for third on the single-game receptions list, two behind Lynell Suggs who set the record at Albany in 2007.

Stony Brook got off to a hot start, dominating the first quarter and at the end of it, leading 14-0. The Seawolves defense looked like their dominant selves, and the offense looked like a well-oiled machine, as they outgained New Hampshire 154-18 in the opening quarter.

On the first drive of the game, quarterback Conor Bednarski led his team 81 yards on 10 plays and capped it with a nice seam pass to Will Tye for an 11-yard touchdown.

After forcing a Wildcat three-and-out, Bednarski marched his team back down the field again. This time the drive was a little quicker, going 76 yards on only six plays, with the big play being a Marcus Coker 32-yard rush, down into the red zone, which had nine yards added onto it due to a facemask penalty.

On the next play, Stacey Bedell took the ball and ran it eight yards for a touchdown and the Seawolves were in control after the Graham Ball extra point made it 14-0.

This was the second time this season that the Seawolves scored 14 points in the first quarter, and just like they did in the William & Mary game, they blew this lead as well. The Wildcats would regain the lead by halftime, shutting out the Seawolves in the second quarter and not letting them cross midfield.

New Hampshire rode its quarterback Andy Vailas, and he scored twice in the quarter. The first was a quarterback draw, to which Vailas just took it to the left side of the offensive line and had nothing but green in front of him to as he scored from 18 yards out to make it 14-7.

On the first play of the next drive, Coxson was wide open down the middle of the field, but Bednarski overthrew him by about five yards in what would have been an easy touchdown. Instead, the Seawolves were forced to punt after getting 17 yards on the drive.

New Hampshire then took the lead for good with 4:36 to play in the second quarter on a six-play drive, capped again by a Vailas run from 14 yards out to make it 14-13 Stony Brook.

But when the Wildcats went out to convert the PAT, they lined up to go for two and then reverted back to the traditional extra point formation.

New Hampshire then faked it, as the kicker Christian Breda took a pitch from his holder and ran it in, surprising the Stony Brook special teams and giving New Hampshire a 15-14 lead going into halftime.

With 4:47 left in the third quarter, New Hampshire used more trickery



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The Stony Brook football team had a three-game winning streak snapped on Saturday.

to add points to their total. Vailas threw it to running back Nico Steriti, who was located off to the right side of him. Steriti then threw it to a wide-open R.J. Harris up the right sideline. This completely fooled the Seawolves defense, and Harris ran it the rest of the 73 yards to give New Hampshire a 21-14 lead.

Breda drilled the extra point off the goalpost, which kept the game at a seven-point deficit.

UNH was getting ready to score again on their next drive when the Wildcats marched down to the Stony Brook three yard line, but on second and goal, a fade pattern intended for Harris was intercepted on a great play by Jaheem Woods to keep the deficit at seven.

On Stony Brook's first full drive of the fourth quarter, the Seawolves were faced with one of the many crucial fourth downs they faced in the game's final quarter and Bedell

made what is probably the play of the year to date.

On fourth and one, Bedell took the hand off up the middle and was stuffed about three yards behind the line of scrimmage. He then proceeded to back away from the pile, circle back around to the other side of the field, and pick up eight yards and the first down. That drive would not produce any points though, as Bednarski was intercepted at the UNH 25 yard line.

That was Conor's only interception of the game, in a day which he went 22-41 for 227 yards and two touchdowns.

Another great play by a Stony Brook defensive player kept the game at seven. Christian Ricard was able to bust through the field goal protection and block a Breda attempt from 40 yards, and the Seawolves were given great field position.

The Seawolves took advantage of this and were able to claw within one, but a critical special teams play doomed Stony Brook. Bednarski hit Coxson down the middle of the field for a 31-yard touchdown with 3:22 left to make it a 21-20 game. But Ball's extra point was blocked, and the lead was preserved.

Insurance points were scored on the next possession in a very easy fashion. Jimmy Owens burst up the middle with just under two minutes left and the field was wide open for what would be a 51-yard touchdown to make it 28-20.

Stony Brook would get the ball back with 1:36 left in the game, by Bednarski was strip-sacked by Cody Muller and the Wildcats recovered to seal the game with 1:05 left.

This loss ended Stony Brook's three-game winning streak and its wild-card hopes of getting a spot in the NCAA FCS tournament.

4th and Goal: Four takeaways from SBU's loss to New Hampshire

By Jason Mazza
Staff Writer

1st Down: Beware of the big play

All year, the best defense in the country, Stony Brook, has had one weakness; the big play.

In each of their previous four losses, the Seawolves have surrendered a big play that cost them the game.

Saturday's loss to #3/5 New Hampshire was no different. Down just 15-14 in the third quarter, the Wildcats ran a flea-flicker, resulting in a 73-yard pass from running back Nico Steriti. Although the Seawolves would respond late in the 4th with a 31-yard touchdown of their own, it would not be enough to defeat the 6-1 Wildcats.

2nd Down: When the going gets tough, the tough get going

Sophomore defensive back Jaheem Woods recorded his second interception in the end zone in as many games.

For the moment, it kept the New Hampshire lead to one

possession and gave the Seawolves new life.

The Wildcats also could have stretched the lead to two scores in the fourth on a 40-yard field goal, but instead, the kick was blocked by senior and CAA defensive player of the year candidate Christian Ricard and recovered by Marvin Hart on the UNH 43-yard line. Senior Victor Ochi had four sacks, setting a new career-high.

3rd Down: Break out the record books

Starting in place of senior Jahrie Level, true freshman wide receiver Donavin Washington recorded 102 yards on 11 catches.

The 5-foot-9-inch, 165 pound receiver had the most receptions in a game of any receiver this year and the most since Malcom Eugene had 12 receptions last season against Villanova.

With Adrian Coxson, Jahrie Level and Will Tye all graduating this year, junior quarterback Conor Bednarski will look to freshmen Donavin Washington and Julius Wingate

to step up next season.

4th Down: The Seawolves playoff chances take a big hit

With Saturday's loss, the Seawolves (4-5, 3-2 CAA) playoff hopes took its biggest blow, as the team now has been eliminated from contention for a spot in the FCS Tournament.

The only way that they would be able to qualify would be to win the CAA outright, which they no longer could do, losing out in any tiebreakers for first place.

Certainly, there are several games the Seawolves could look back and wish they had finished but none will loom larger than the homecoming loss to William & Mary in which they had the lead with less than a minute left to play.

It does not help, of course, to schedule Division II opponents making the necessary record to earn an at-large bid 7-4 instead of 7-5.

This year may be as good of an argument as any for Stony Brook head coach Chuck Priore to no longer schedule those Di-

vision II games as their conference play gets tougher.

Extra Point:

This week, the Seawolves will get a much needed bye week and will return home the following week (11/8) to face James Madison at 1 p.m.

The Dukes bring with them a very powerful rushing attack, which is second in the conference at 245.5 yards per game.

Their offense is also fourth in the conference in scoring at 33.9 points per game. The Dukes also have a passing offense that ranks third in the conference.

James Madison's offense is led by the dual-threat quarterback Vad Lee, who averages 79.1 yards per game on the ground, as well as 249.4 yards through the air.

That total of 328.5 all-purpose yards ranks first in the conference.

As far as the offensive line is concerned, they do a great job.

The men up front have allowed the second fewest sacks in the conference, only allowing 12 for a total loss of 74 yards.

Stony Brook Sports Schedule

Men's Soccer

Tuesday, Oct. 28
7 p.m. at Harvard

Saturday, Nov. 1
7 p.m. at Binghamton

Women's Volleyball

Thursday, Oct. 30
6 p.m. at Delaware State

Friday, Oct. 31
7 p.m. at UMBC

Cross Country

Saturday, Nov. 1
America East
Championships

Hockey

Nov. 1 and Nov. 2
6 p.m. at Lebanon Valley