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NEWS SUMMARY

■ Leaders to formulate plan on beach pollution May 18 ■ USB noted for its disabled services ■ Scientists to explore function of nerve cells May 22-24.

Floatable Waste Plan to Be Released May 18

Scientists, legislators and agency directors will gather May 18 at USB's Marine Sciences Research Center (MSRC) to formulate a plan of action for dealing with floatable wastes on Long Island beaches.

Findings from the meeting, which is sponsored by the MSRC's Coastal Ocean Action Strategies (COAST) Institute, will be presented at 2 p.m. in Room 139, Endeavour Hall. Among the topics to be discussed:

- What is being done to eliminate floatable waste materials at their sources and on the beaches?
- What public health safeguards will occur at beaches when medical debris is found?
- What actions will be taken by beach operators during a floatables washup, and how do citizens report debris in the water or on the beaches?
- What is the public health threat from medical debris?

Officials at the meeting will include supervisors of the 13 Long Island towns, state and county legislators, and heads of such agencies as the New York and New Jersey state departments of health, Nassau and Suffolk county departments of health, New York Office of Parks and Recreation, and New York City's departments of sanitation and environmental protection.

USB's Disabled Services Rated in Top 40

Stony Brook is listed among the top 40 colleges and universities across the country for offering specialized support services to physically disabled students.

A new college guide, *Colleges That Enable—A Guide to Support Services Offered to Physically Disabled Students*, co-written by Jason C. Tweed, a college sophomore with a physical disability, and his mother, Prudence K. Tweed of Oil City, Penn., describes the level of services available for students with disabilities at 40 colleges and universities across the country.

The Tweeds' recognition of USB came during Able-Disabled Week, held April 24 - 28, as faculty, staff and students were made more aware of the needs of students with disabilities.

According to the Tweeds' guide, USB is one of 18 schools which exceed legal requirements for accessibility and help students with disabilities to make arrangements for the specialized support services they might need.

Monica Roth, coordinator of Disabled Students Services, is pleased with the designation. "Stony Brook is very cooperative in making the campus barrier-free."

Besides modifications to the physical environment, accommodations are made in other ways. Classes that are inaccessible to students will be shifted to a different building so that all students who are registered can attend.

USB has 155 on-campus students who have identified themselves as disabled. Ms. Roth estimates an additional 30 or 40 commuter students have physical disabilities, but are not in need of special services.



SEVERAL HUNDRED ALUMNI and community members turned out for USB's second annual Open House May 6. The Marine Sciences Research Center's display of microscopic organisms (above) was one of many exhibits open to the public. Photo by Ed Bridges.

Neurobiology Symposium to Begin May 22

Several hundred researchers are expected to gather for USB's eighth annual Symposium on Molecular Biology May 22-24. This year's session, "Recent Advances in Molecular Neurobiology," will explore nerve cell function on a molecular level, and the use of cloning and other gene technologies in neuroscience.

Topics to be presented include: development of the brain and central nervous system at fetal and embryonic stages, how amino acid residues known as peptides carry signals between nerve cells, signal pathways within cells, and the isolation and identification of genes that regulate neurotransmitters and receptors. Researchers will also discuss the role of certain proteins in human diseases such as *myasthenia gravis* and Alzheimer's disease.

Keynote addresses will be given by Charles Stevens of Yale University, and Peter Gruss and Bert Sakmann, both of the Max Planck Institute, Göttingen. Introductory remarks will be given by Dr. Paul Adams, USB's Howard Hughes Investigator and professor of neurobiology and behavior.

The symposium will be held in the Javits Lecture Center.

Fraternity Makes Things 'Rosier' for Kids

Members of Alpha Chi Rho fraternity have helped brighten the lives of children and staff in the Children's Medical Center at USB.

The students planted 100 red rosebushes and prepared a garden that will enhance the hospital's play area. The area will also have picnic tables and benches and some play equipment for toddlers. The Zonta Club, a group of professional women, donated 150 roses, fertilizer and some funds for the garden. The University Hospital Auxiliary also donated funds for the project.

The fraternity members, some of whom entertained the children at Christmas by dressing up as Santa Claus, plan to return to plant more flowers. They also plan to hold a party for the children.

Comedy Workshop to Be Offered May 30

"Actor and Fool," a comedy and clown workshop for performers, directors and educators, will be offered by Theatre Oblique of Port Jefferson from May 30 through June 9, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m..

Ron Popenhagen, a graduate teaching assistant at USB will help students develop a personal direction in comedy performance. Using techniques of the circus, mime, burlesque and vaudeville, Mr. Popenhagen will include sessions on European clown traditions, physical comedy techniques, style and improvisation, rhythm, tempo and timing, as well as movement awareness and relaxation.

The fee for the program is \$275. Sessions will be held at the Greek Orthodox Church of the Resurrection in Port Jefferson. For information call 474-3697.

OBITUARIES

Ina Marie Jacoppi, 51, died of cancer on April 30. She was vice president of the Association for Community/University Cooperation (ACUC).

Ms. Jacoppi devoted herself to volunteer work in community organizations. She was on the board of trustees of the Museums at Stony Brook, on the executive board and an officer of the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council, and past director of Gallery North in Setauket. She was president of the John T. Mather Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and co-chair of the annual ball of the American Cancer Society.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth, and three children, Lynne, Susan Bacon and John.

Donations may be made to the Marie Jacoppi Memorial Fund, c/o John T. Mather Memorial Hospital Oncology Unit, North Country Road, Port Jefferson, N.Y. 11777.

Robert Lamoureux, 48, the first professional ice hockey coach at USB, died of cancer March 5.

Mr. Lamoureux guided the Patriots for their first two years in the Metropolitan Conference, 1975 - 77, then again from 1980 - 83.

Alumni are planning to rename and dedicate their Most Valuable Player trophy to the memory of Mr. Lamoureux at their annual game on Saturday, June 17. Donations may be made to the MVP Trophy Fund by contacting Mr. Lasher at 21 Cross Bow Lane, Commack, N.Y. 11725.

Mr. Lamoureux is survived by his wife, Margaret, and three children.

NOTICES

USB Union Crafts Center has summer workshops in pottery, photography, weaving, stained glass, water color, glazing, inkle weaving, clay sculpture and silk-screen printing; leisure programs in bartending and scuba diving; and children's programs in mixed media and clay. Pre-registration required. For information and times, call the Union Crafts Center, 632-6822.

Word Processing: Using WordPerfect 5.0. This course is an introduction to the concepts of word processing; the hardware, the software, and the operation of the system as a whole. \$195 course fee. Meets 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., June 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21. For information call 632-7071.

Advanced Topics in the Use of Lotus 1-2-3. This program is designed for people who have an elementary knowledge of spreadsheet software and want to learn more about its practical application to their work. \$195 course fee. Meets 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., June 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29. For information call 632-7071.

Desktop Publishing: Using PageMaker. This course will introduce students to the new and rapidly expanding field of producing publication quality documents with software on a personal computer. \$195 course fee. Meets 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., June 26, 28, July 10, 12, 17, 19. For information call 632-7071.

Half Price Tickets for the Second Annual University Hospital Auxiliary Carnival are available as advance sales only and will be honored at the carnival Saturday, Sunday and Monday, from 2 - 6 p.m. Tickets can be purchased May 15, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Technology Center, and 10 p.m. - midnight in the hospital lobby; and May 18, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. second floor of the Administration Building. Tickets are also available in the Auxiliary office, Level 5 of the hospital beginning May 10. Carnival will be held on South P lot. Hours: May 26 through May 29. For information call 444-2699.

Are You Caring for Your Mother? Your views are needed as part of a study of stress on those caring for the elderly. Volunteers are needed for a 30 minute interview, conducted in your home at your convenience. Strict confidentiality assured. Call Barbara Novak, R.N. at 732-3634 between 6 - 9 p.m.

INFORMATION / HELP LINES

Staller Center Box Office:	632-7230
Voice of Student Activities:	632-6821
Patriots Sports Hotline:	632-7287
WALK Escort Service:	632-6337
USB Volunteer Ambulance:	632-8888
USB Public Safety:	632-3333
USB Gymnasium:	632-7200
Energy Hotline:	632-6631
Counseling Center:	632-6720
Polity Hotline:	632-6474



THE THIRD ANNUAL OOZEBALL TOURNAMENT sponsored by the Student Alumni Chapter (SAC) was held April 30. More than 160 students participated in the event which turns ordinary volleyball courts into mud piles. The Psycho Mud Puppies were the eventual champions.

THIS WEEK

MAY 17 THROUGH MAY 24

WEDNESDAY

MAY 17

Pediatric Grand Rounds, "Mini-series, Part I: Hyperlipidemia: An Overview," Dr. Thomas A. Wilson, associate professor of pediatrics. 8 a.m., Lecture Hall 6, Level 3, Health Sciences Center.

Science Seminar, "Fulfilling Koch's Molecular Postulates for the Mycobacteria and Recombinant BCG Vaccines," Dr. William Jacobs, Albert Einstein College of Medicine. Noon, Room 038, Life Sciences Building.

Doctoral Recital, Mitch Sundet, horn. 4 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center for the Arts.

Science Seminar, "Acetylcholine Receptor Structure," Dr. Robert Stroud, University of California, San Francisco. 4 p.m., Room 145, Level 5T, Basic Health Sciences Tower.

Doctoral Recital, Yeong Kee Lee, baritone; and Seon-Hee Myong, piano. Featuring works of Schubert. 8 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center for the Arts.

Late Night Study Space is available for students from 8 p.m. - 2 a.m., second floor, Central Hall. WALK escort service (632-6337) is available for students wishing escort to room or car.

THURSDAY

MAY 18

Department of Microbiology Seminar, "The 5' Non-translated Regions of Picornaviruses, and the Problem of Initiation of Protein Synthesis," Dr. Vadim Agol, Moscow University. Noon, Room 038, Life Sciences Laboratory. For information call 444-2370.

Master's Recital, Michelle Madland, violin. Featuring works of Brahms, Bloch and Bach. 8 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center for the Arts.

Late Night Study Space is available for students from 8 p.m. - 2 a.m., second floor, Central Hall. WALK escort service (632-6337) is available for students wishing escort to room or car.

SUNDAY

MAY 21

USB's 29th Commencement, 11 a.m., Athletic Fields. Joan Wallach Scott, internationally known historian, is the commencement speaker. A special information hot line, 632-7877, will be set up for rain information.

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USB'S 29TH COMMENCEMENT will be held Sunday, May 21 at 11 a.m. on the Athletic Fields.

MONDAY

MAY 22

AI-Anon Meeting, Room N-110, Social & Behavioral Sciences Building. Meetings held every Monday. For information and time of meeting call 632-3395.

Department of Microbiology Seminar, "Formation of TFIIIA Multimers, Their Association with 7S RNPs, and Possible Significance in Transcription," Dr. James Coyer, Department of Microbiology. Noon, Room 038, Life Sciences Laboratory.

Conference, "Recent Advances in Molecular Neurobiology." Keynote speakers: Bert Sakmann, Max Plank Institute, Gottingen and Charles Stevens, Yale University. Presented by the Department of Biochemistry and the Center for Biotechnology. Runs through May 24. For information call 632-8550.

TUESDAY

MAY 23

Summer Course Registration is extended until 7 p.m. for the convenience of evening students and employees. One may register at the Office of Records/Registrar, Office of the Bursar, Student Accounts, Undergraduate Admissions, the Undergraduate Evening Program and the School of Continuing Education.

Aerobic Swim, 7:15 - 8:30 a.m., Gym Pool. Tuesdays/Thursdays through the semester. To register call Marilyn Zucker, 632-6136.

WEDNESDAY

MAY 24

Pediatric Grand Rounds, "Mini-series, Part II: Hyperlipidemia: Psychosocial Aspects," Dr. Sarah Blackburn, director, nutritional services; Dr. Danielle Carbone, clinical nutrition specialist; and Dr. Richard Zaino, associate director, Social Work Services. 8 a.m., Lecture Hall 6, Level 3, Health Sciences Center.

Young Artist Competition Winner Concert, presented by the Suffolk Music Guild. 8 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center for the Arts.

Event Listings

To be included in *This Month*, events must be submitted to *Currents* calendar editor 12 days prior to publication. Listings for the July issue must be received by Friday, June 16

We remind all event sponsors that arrangements for parking should be made with Herbert Petty, assistant director for public safety at 632-6350.

Commencement 1989 Convocations & Receptions

Department	Time of Convocation	Time of Reception
Anthropology & Linguistics	Follows main ceremony Room 101 Javits Lecture Center	Follows convocation 5th floor lobby, Social & Behavioral Sciences
Art & Art History	1:45 p.m., Art Gallery Staller Center for the Arts	Follows main ceremony Art Gallery, Staller Center for the Arts
Biological Sciences	9 a.m., Gymnasium	8 a.m., Union Ballroom
Chemistry & Engineering Chemistry	9:15 a.m., Room 116 Old Chemistry Building	8:30 a.m., South Chemistry Plaza
Continuing Education	Follows main ceremony 2nd floor lobby Social & Behavioral Sciences	Follows convocation 2nd floor lobby, Social & Behavioral Sciences
Dental Medicine	3 p.m., Recital Hall Staller Center for the Arts	Follows main ceremony 2nd floor lobby Administration Building
Earth & Space Sciences		Follows main ceremony 1st floor lobby, Earth & Space Sciences
Economics	1 p.m., Main Stage Staller Center for the Arts	Follows convocation Galleria, Melville Library
Engineering & Applied Sciences	Follows main ceremony Gymnasium	Follows convocation Engineering lobby & quad
English	3:30 p.m. Tabler Quad Cafeteria	Follows convocation 1st floor lobby Tabler Cafeteria
Harriman School	Follows main ceremony Room 137, Harriman Hall	Follows convocation Lobby, Harriman Hall
History	8:30 a.m. Alliance Room Melville Library	Follows convocation Alliance Room Melville Library
Languages	8:30 a.m., Recital Hall Staller Center for the Arts	Follows convocation Galleria, Melville Library
Liberal Arts	8:30 a.m. Lecture Hall 100 Javits Lecture Center	Follows convocation Lobby Javits Lecture Center
Marine Sciences		Follows main ceremony Endeavour Hall, MSRC
Mathematics	Follows main ceremony Room S-240 Mathematics Building	Follows convocation Room S-240 Mathematics Building
Medicine & Basic Health Sciences	8:30 a.m. Main Stage Staller Center for the Arts	Follows main ceremony Level 3, Gallery Health Sciences Center
Music	Follows main ceremony Recital Hall Staller Center for the Arts	Follows convocation Second floor lobby Music Building
Nursing	May 20, 2 p.m. Main Stage Staller Center for the Arts	Follows convocation Lobby, Staller Center for the Arts
Philosophy	Follows main ceremony Room 214, Harriman Hall	Follows convocation Room 214, Harriman Hall
Physics	9 a.m., Room S-240 Physics Building	Follows convocation Room S-240 Physics Building
Political Science	Follows main ceremony Lecture Hall 100 Javits Lecture Center	
Psychology	3 p.m., Main Stage Staller Center for the Arts	Follows main ceremony Union Ballroom
Social Welfare	May 20, 10 a.m., Main Stage Staller Center for the Arts	Follows convocation lobby, Staller Center for the Arts
Sociology & Social Sciences	Follows main ceremony Tabler Quad Cafeteria	Follows convocation 1st floor lobby Tabler Quad Cafeteria
Theatre Arts	Follows main ceremony Theatre II Staller Center for the Arts	Follows convocation Theatre II, Staller Center for the Arts
Allied Health	June 25, noon, Level 5, Terrace Health Sciences Center	1:30 p.m., Galleria Level 3 Health Sciences Center