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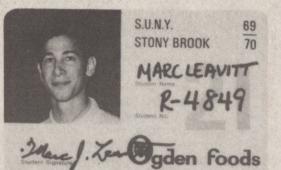
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## SPEAKING UP

From the Commencement address by Harvard University Professor Howard Green, who was given an bonorary degree from Stony Brook for bis work on skin grafts.

During these last few years, you have probably been the objects of academic force-feeding. You have come to have opinions on many subjects, especially political ones, and you are flexing your muscles in preparation for entering a world that, you hope, is in serious need of your attentions. But within a few decades, you will no longer believe much that you are convinced of today, and you will come to believe things that are not only radically different, but even opposite. This can't be helped, because youth and age are physiologically different and must think differently ...

Y ou will discover that there is a great deal of sameness in the world, and this leads to competition, which is good in small doses but bad when taken to excess. Competition tends to squeeze people into patterns, and some of you will not want to go through life as a standard product.

Since I am supposed to give you advice, I will do it. Remember your own uniqueness and respect it. You did not create this uniqueness; it was given to you, but your most important task in life is to make it meaningful to yourself; if you succeed in this, it will become meaningful to others. Your own judgment about what you see, hear and read must take precedence over what others believe, even if they believe with great conviction ....

Believe in good and evil; these categories are everywhere out of fashion, but they are realities nevertheless, and you will frequently need to decide which is which ...

ruth is not a servant in the effort to achieve the good: it needs no accessory justification and can accept none. Truth may be inconvenient: that is what sometimes makes it so dangerous to those who speak it and so intolerable to those who hear it.

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#### Studying Epilepsy Patients' Quality of Life

University Hospital's Comprehensive Epilepsy Program is studying what life is like for people with epilepsy.

Studies have measured seizure frequency and severity and the effects of medication, but there is no scale to assess a patient's quality of life.

Stony Brook has joined a multicenter study which includes 400 patients, 18-60 years old, with mild or moderate epilepsy. Relatives or friends will also be asked to describe the impact of epilepsy on the patient.

The study, funded by a grant from Wallace Laboratories of Cranbury, N.J., is among several new efforts undertaken by Stony Brook's expanded epilepsy program. Another major project is a nationwide, multicenter trial of a new drug to control seizures, Tiagabine HCI.



Dr. Allan Ettinger checks out epilepsy patient Querim Selinaj.

#### Down to the Pond in Ships

Dozens of intrepid sailors took to the waters of Roth Quad Pond on April 23 for the fourth annual Roth Regatta. This was the first year that the race caught mean weather a brisk, nippy wind blew all day, clouds covered the sun, and the water felt freezing cold.

But spirits were high despite the weather, as 31 yachts and speedsters competed for honors in the handmade cardboard boat race that has become one of the university's favorite events.

Some of the vessels were not quite pond-worthy, sinking midcourse or going belly up and refusing to right themselves. Sodden hulks were carted off to the dumpsters after each heat, as the sailors, wrapped in blankets, sipped hot coffee and watched the remaining races.

Other boats were spectacular. Allover winner for design and presentation was the Alumni Association's "The Pond Scum Queen," crewed by John Rickerman '89 (B.E., mechanical engineering), Curtis Epstein '90 (B.A., history) and Stuart Weinberg '90 (B.S., applied math and statistics).

Nachman Zimet, senior mechanical engineering major from Tel Aviv, Israel, was the double winner in the races. His one-person speedster, Galatea I, crossed the pond in a minute flat. Galatea II, his multiperson yacht crewed with Erran Wasserman, also a mechanical engineering major, took first place in its category. Both these sleek entries looked like cardboard kayaks, held together with carpenter's glue and waterproofed with paint. They cut through the water like a knife, leaving the less fortunate boats wallowing behind them.



Wet and wild at the Roth Regatta.

#### Do-It-Yourself Face-lift for Student Lounge

With \$300, some donated materials and plenty of "sweat equity," about 16 undergraduates, six faculty, two staff members and a handful of miscellaneous friends overhauled the Undergraduate English Department Reading Room this spring. The tattered, dusty carpet was ripped up, and the floor underneath was polished to a high shine. Grimy walls were painted, windows were washed, balloon drapes were hung, and posters and other Shakespearian memorabilia were put up. The result is an inviting study and lounge in the Humanities Building, with new furniture and green plants.

Funding came in the form of a small grant for Faculty/Student/Staff Interaction from the Office of Undergraduate Studies, along with contributions for supplies from the Department of English, the Catholic Campus Ministries and the B'nai B'rith



## NEW & NOTEWORTHY

Hillel Foundation. August Moon Designs of Stony Brook mounted all installations without charge.

The lounge was formally dedicated to the memory of Irving Ribner, author of *The English History Play*, editor of the Ribner-Kittredge *Complete Works of Shakespeare* and former chair of Stony Brook's English Department (1968-71). Ribner died in 1973 at the untimely age of 50.

"A distinguished Shakespearian and Renaissance scholar, he was noted for his prodigious memory, his brilliant lectures and his unfailing generosity to young people," said Diane Fortuna, director of undergraduate studies and coordinator of the project.

#### Edelstein To Step Down As Stony Brook Provost

Provost Tilden G. Edelstein will step down in June 1994 after serving as Stony Brook's chief academic officer for five years.

In a joint announcement, Edelstein and President John H. Marburger said the decision was "the result of discussions in which they agreed to disagree" on various management issues.

"We thought that rather than create additional tensions after all the budget difficulties the campus has been through, we would work toward a smooth transition," Edelstein said.

Edelstein will spend his final year as provost working on special system-wide projects within SUNY Central, including serving as a member of the SUNY-wide bargaining team negotiating a contract with graduate and teaching assistants. Severe personnel reductions in the central office have left important projects there understaffed.

In making the announcement, President Marburger praised Edelstein for developments in Stony Brook's academic reputation during his tenure as provost.

"Tilden has done an excellent job of recruiting outstanding faculty, chairs and deans and reforming the financial operation of the sponsored research program. He also managed us through the most devastating budget cuts SUNY has ever experienced. For those accomplishments, Provost Edelstein deserves our deepest gratitude."

President Marburger said he would work with the academic deans and administrators to form a search committee for Edelstein's successor and implement interim administrative arrangements as necessary.

## Logic Analyzers Donated to College of Engineering

High-tech equipment to help students study electronics is here! Hewlett-Packard Company of Palo Alto, California has given four, HP 1662A portable logic analyzers valued at \$42,000 to the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences. These stateof-the-art, 68-channel logic analyzers will measure the output and response of circuits designed by students, faculty and industrial engineers.

Coupled with the recent \$1.7 million computer software gift from Mentor Graphics, the analyzer will enable Stony Brook students and researchers to design advanced, largescale digital systems with greater efficiency in less time. Ken Short, professor of electrical engineering, and Bradley Carlson, assistant professor of electrical engineering, will be the principal investigators using the equipment.

"Hewlett-Packard has given us one of the most powerful research and teaching tools in the electrical engineering and circuit development fields," says Carlson. "Students can analyze their circuit design projects, see whether or not their design works, and get the feedback necessary to improve their design. This will help students become highly skilled and more marketable graduates."

Private electronics engineers from companies working with faculty from the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences will also benefit from the new equipment. They will be able to test and analyze their circuit design projects with an efficient machine at a low cost.

#### Staller Reopens in Style

The Staller Center for the Arts, flooded in February when an underground water main burst, has reopened its doors and – except for some equipment still waiting to be replaced – is back in business.

The Recital Hall, which bore the brunt of the damage, opened in April with a Stony Brook Camerata concert. The Main Stage followed in early May, with a performance by the Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra.

The Summer at Staller series, which runs through the month of July, is in full swing, with comedy, drama, jazz, classical music and dance.

New equipment is on the way: chairs for the orchestra, choral risers, a recording system, lighting, a dance floor for the Main Stage, a washer and dryer for the costume shop, and flags – both U.S. and New York State. Equipment is also being replaced for the Art Department, which lost its sculpture studios in the flood.



What's new at the Staller Center? Just about everything: floor, seats, piano...

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#### **Taking Pride**

One Friday a year, about 300 professional and support staff members from just about every division of the university put down the usual tools of their trade to push wheelbarrows, brushes and brooms. The daylong volunteer program is called Pride Patrol.

This year's campus cleanup included removing mountains of leaves from the preschool, weeding the gardens at Sunwood and refreshing the black and white "zebra stripe" walkway near Old Chemistry. Volunteers planted flowers at Level 2 of University Hospital and near the Administration Building. Kelly Quad was the 1993 residential project; its interior courtyard was cleaned and raked.

The reward for all this hard work – inner satisfaction aside – was an ice cream sundae party in the afternoon. At least 21 gallons of the cold stuff were consumed, with whipped cream and toppings.



Wearing another hat, Alumni Association Assistant Director Debbie Dietzler pours paint for Pride Patrol.



Whole new worlds: student-astronomer Nancy Adams takes a look through the refurbished telescope.

#### New Life for an Old Telescope

It pays to recycle. A group of faculty and student researchers from the Department of Earth and Space Sciences has rehabilitated an aging telescope owned by the department. Now Stony Brook undergraduates, along with some Long Island high school students, have an instrument to use for research projects at a fraction of the cost of a new one.

The Celestron 14-inch telescope had been in "a pretty poor state of repair," recalls Assistant Professor Fred Walter. Purchased in 1980, the instrument was used for ESS' public viewing sessions (the popular "Open Night" programs), but not for scientific work. "The optics were okay," says Walter. "You could 'ooh' and 'aah' over what you saw through it, but it wasn't a research-grade telescope."

Members of the ESS astronomy program decided to update the telescope, worth \$10,000 when it was new. Associate Professor Deane Peterson contributed an electronic camera. "We scavenged three old PCs to make a working one needed for the telescope," Walter says. Under the supervision of graduate student Scott Wolk, students designed a new guiding system for the telescope. Less than \$1,000 bought an assortment of new items needed for the upgrade. The result was an instrument that Walter estimates would cost close to \$30,000 today.

Since the upgrade, the astronomers now are able to do more than observe celestial objects: They can monitor stars to see how long it takes them to change their brightness, take pictures, and store the data. Perhaps most important, notes Walter, is that "students now can get a taste of astronomy research."

Several undergraduates have taken their research, conducted with the revamped telescope, to the Meese Observatory of the Rochester Institute of Technology. Craig Giles, a senior from Comsewogue High School, produced the department's first picture of Jupiter's trademark red spot. "One night I told him, 'Point the telescope at Jupiter and see what you get," Wolk relates. "With the equipment we had before, you couldn't even see the red spot. Now we have a gorgeous picture of it."

## **NEW & NOTEWORTHY**

#### **Spring Swing**

On a grassy hill along South Loop Road, something strange and wonderful happened this spring. One day in early April, a shiny, bright yellow playground swing appeared. The swing was frozen mid-air, as if someone had just jumped off. And on the hillside beneath, flowers began to bloom. Daffodils, thousands of them, and hundreds and hundreds of grape hyacinths.

Tentatively called "Yellow Swing," the sculpture and landscaping are Maureen Palmieri's Master of Fine Arts project. Palmieri, a student of Art Professor Howardena Pindell, is passionate about the arts. Her favorite work involves the "merging of art and life," she says, and so for her final project she undertook this extraordinary and unconventional assignment.

It consists of a full-sized child's swing that she constructed from scratch, and 3,500 daffodil, narcissus and grape hyacinths that set the hill ablaze with color for weeks.

The swing itself is a permanent installation and the flowers will return every spring for many years. "I wanted the piece to be positive, to give a feeling of freedom," Palmieri says. "I wanted it to show renewal, hope, and regeneration."

Many people from around campus helped with the planting last fall. "It's kind of a communal garden," Palmieri says. Some made financial contributions, too, but most of the funding came from her own pocket. "It's my gift to the university," she says. "I hope it helps the campus realize the power of art."

#### Light Waves to Detect Oxygen Levels in Blood

The School of Nursing has a brand new, state-of-the-art diagnostic monitoring device donated by Nellcor Incorporated of Hayward, California and the American Association of Critical Care Nurses. It's a pulse oximeter a continuous, non-invasive monitoring device that uses light waves to detect oxygen saturation in blood. First developed by engineers and anesthesiologists to monitor patients under anesthesia, pulse oximeters are now used in many clinical situations, including recovery, intensive care, and general care. The equipment is valued at \$2,600 and it will be used to train nursing students.

"Today, nurses must be able to use very sophisticated medical equipment," says Kathleen Shurpin, chair of the Department of Adult Health Nursing. "With this donation, we will be able to train our students with the highest quality pulse oximeters used in health care today."



Artist Maureen Palmieri shows President John H. Marburger the yellow swing sculpture set amid thousands of flowers.



Cancer cures that grow on trees: Iwao Ojima and students research yew derivatives.

#### Promising Alternatives to Costly Cancer Drug

Chemistry Professor Iwao Ojima has synthesized two compounds that are more effective against human tumor cells and may be easier to administer to patients than the currently used anticancer agent, taxol.

Though highly effective, taxol is expensive, causes undesirable side effects and has poor water solubility. Ojima has developed 12 substances from baccatin, found in the Himalayan yew. So far, two of them have proven to be comparable to, or more effective than, taxol in fighting cancer cells and are more water soluble.

Collaborators on the study were Ezio Bombardelli of Indena, an Italian pharmaceutical company; Giovanni Appendino of the University of Turin, and Dr. Ralph J. Bernacky, M.D. of the Roswell Park Cancer Institute. Stony Brook graduate students Young Hoon Park and Chung Ming Sun also participated.

#### **Painted Deserts**

Mel Pekarksy loves the sparse, abstract beauty of the desert. As an artist, he captures on canvas what he calls "the clean, open, beautiful yet frugal" landscape of the American Southwest, its rocks, scrubby bushes and parched soil.

You can see Pekarsky's paintings now through September 19 at the Museums at Stony Brook, which is currently showing "Mel Pekarsky, Intimate Spaces: Small Works from the 60s-90s." And for an added treat, his large pencil drawing, "Zion Scrub" (40x60) is on display as part of a group show at Gallery North in Setauket. "The Environmentalists: Pleasures and Perils of Our Landscape," runs through August 8.

A professor of art at Stony Brook since 1974, Pekarsky is represented in New York City by G.W. Einstein Co., Inc. Pekarsky's work was recently included in an exhibition at the Benton Gallery in Southampton, along with sculptures and prints by Roy Lichtenstein, Robert Motherwell, de Kooning and Picasso.



"Mean Spirits," by Mel Pekarsky (1992, oil on canvas), on display at The Museums at Stony Brook.

#### **Poet Wins Guggenheim**

Cornelius Eady, assistant professor of English, published poet and director of the university's Poetry Center, has been awarded a Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship for 1993-94. He was one of 146 artists, scholars and scientists selected from almost 3,000 appli-



**Cornelius Eady** 

cants, on the basis of "unusually distinguished achievement in the past and exceptional promise for future accomplishment."

Eady will take a leave of absence from Stony Brook to work on his third book of poetry (a series of prose poems about his family), and to write the libretto for an opera on the death of Yusef Hawkins, which will be set to music by Doug Cuomo.

In another acknowledgement of his creative contribution, he was invited to the Rockefeller Foundation Residency in Bellagio, Italy, which they visited this past June, on a fellowship that he was awarded in 1992.

Eady came to Stony Brook in 1989. His poetry has been published in *Harpers, Crazy Horse, New Letters* and *Essence*. His collection of poetry, *The Gathering of My Name* (1991, Carnegie Mellon University Press), was nominated for the 1992 Pulitzer Prize for poetry.

Other books by Eady include Boom, Boom, Boom (1988, State Street Press), Victims of the Latest Dance Craze (1986, Ommation Press) and Kartunes (1980, Warthog Press).

#### Director of Respiratory Therapy Teaches Russian Doctors

Michael McPeck, director of respiratory therapy at University Hospital, taught a one-week course on acute respiratory failure management and intensive respiratory care to 250 Russian physicians this spring in St. Petersburg, Russia.

McPeck joined two other experts on this educational mission, sponsored by Heart-to-Heart International, a private, nonprofit organization based in Oakland, California. In the past, Heart-to-Heart had sent experts to teach pediatric open heart surgery to the Russian medical establishment. During that course, the Russian physicians became aware of the importance of respiratory care and requested a special course in the subject. McPeck was asked to participate in the program because of his expertise in the area and his prior experience interacting with Russian physicians and hospitals.

The experts joining McPeck were Robert Kacmarek, director of the Respiratory Care Department at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, and Richard Sheldon, M.D., director of the Division of Pulmonary Diseases at Loma Linda Medical Center in California.

#### Alumni Association Honors Student Achievers

The 1993 Alumni Association Student Awards were announced at the Undergraduate Excellence Awards Ceremony on April 13:

• The Class of 1970 Alumni Association Award, presented to a Stony Brook sophomore who has made the most significant contribution to the university during his or her freshman year, to Cara Brick.

• The Elizabeth Couey Alumni Association Award, presented to a junior who has been active in campus affairs and who has done the most to foster communication and enhance understanding among students, faculty, and administrators, to Steven M. Spiegel.

• The Graduate Student Alumni Association Award, presented to a graduate student who has been active in campus affairs and who has demonstrated activity benefiting the Stony Brook environment, to Monica M. McTigue.

• The Ashley Schiff Alumni Association Award, presented to a student or student organization that has made significant contributions toward conserving and preserving the natural environment, to the Earth Action Board.

• The Babak Movahedi Senior Leadership Award, presented to a graduating senior who has made a significant improvement in the university by bringing together various constituencies through the development of community life, to Jayson Zellman.

• The Undergraduate Entrepreneurial Achievement Award, presented to a student who has served in a managerial and leadership role either on or off campus and who has pursued entrepreneurial and innovative activities, to Jerry Canada.

• The Hugh J.B. Cassidy Memorial Award, presented to a current or former student in the School of Continuing Education whose CED degree or certificate program has made a significant impact on his or her life or in the community, to Melinda Geis.

"The Stony Brook Alumni Association is dedicated to supporting Stony Brook's best and brightest students," says James F.X. Doyle '83, chair of the Awards Committee. "Of all the activities the Alumni Association is involved in, presenting these awards is the most gratifying."

#### PEOPLE

#### Harvest of Scholarship

More than 100 faculty members were fêted this spring at a reception celebrating a rich harvest of scholarly endeavors. Over 80 books and nearly 30 journals were published last year by faculty on topics as diverse as the origins of French racism, motherhood in the movies, Heidegger's metaphysics, English children's theatre, optics and lasers in engineering, periodontal care, biblical archaeology and smart materials fabrication.

Two professors were presented with books created in their honor, known in scholarly circles as *festschrifts*. Elias Rivers and Georgina Sabat-Rivers, a husband-and-wife team retiring after 15 years on the faculty of the Hispanic Languages Department, were each given a *festschrift*.

How does it feel to have a book in your honor?

"It's very flattering, actually," said Rivers. "For both of us, the high point of our careers was at Stony Brook. The quality of students has been very high. And, of course, we've had wonderful friends and colleagues."

The festschrift for Elias Rivers was Busquemos Otros Montes y Otros Ríos. Estudios de Literature Española del Siglo de Oro Dedicados a Elias L. Rivers (Madrid: Editorial Castalia), edited by Victor Roncero-Lopez, assistant professor of Hispanic languages, and Brian Dutton of the University of Wisconsin at Madison. It's a collection of essays on Spanish



Just a sampling of this year's crop of books by faculty and staff.

literature of the Golden Age - Rivers' specialty.

To honor Georgina Sabat-Rivers, Lou Charnon-Deutsch, associate professor of Hispanic languages, edited *Estudios sobre ecscritoras hispánicas en bonor de Georgina Sabat-Rivers*, essays on Spanish and Latin American women writers. Since Sabat-Rivers is known for her work on Sor Juana Inés, a seventeenth century Mexican nun and poet, Charnon-Deutsch decided to devote the book exclusively to research on women authors.

The Rivers now live in Coral Gables, Florida, when they're not in Spain or traveling to visit their children and friends.

#### OBITUARIES .

**Richard Shao-Lin Lee**, 63, professor of mechanical engineering, died February 27.

A member of the Stony Brook faculty since 1964, Lee was chair of the Department of Mechanical Engineering from 1969 to 1975. His research was in fluid mechanics and its application to areas including the study of fire, prosthetic heart valves, and human joint lubrication. A pioneer in the study of two-phase flow, Lee received the Humbolt Award in 1980 from the Federal Republic of Germany and was an honorary member of the Society of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics in the Republic of China.

Edward Podolnick, director of the University Counseling Center, died March 20. He was 58.

Podolnick came to Stony Brook in 1977 and established the counseling center. During his 15 years as director, he developed a comprehensive consultation and outreach program and established training programs for psychology interns and graduate students in social work and nursing.

Podolnick was widely respected for his developmental model of short-term psychodynamic psychotherapy. He was a member of the SUNY Counseling Center Directors Association and, in 1991, He was honored with the Outstanding Teaching Award from the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences in 1974 and 1981.

Born in the People's Republic of China, Lee came to the United States in 1953. He earned a bachelor's degree from National Taiwan University, a master's degree from North Carolina State University, and a doctoral degree in engineering and applied physics from Harvard University.

Lee is survived by his wife, the former Grace F.H. Tang; three sons, Howard, Frank and Gary; and two brothers, Thomas and Eric.

was elected to the Governing Board of the Association of University and College Counseling Center Directors. He was recently named chair of the International Association for Counseling Services.

He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Delaware and his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from New York University.

Podolnick is survived by his wife, Diana; five children, Jennifer, Amy, Debbie, Bob and Jeff; and two grandchildren, Hannah and Joseph. Contributions in his memory may be made to the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at Stony Brook.

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#### Showing Plenty of Backbone

William L. Davis, Jr., a brand-new alumnus who received his M.D. "with distinction in research" in May, represented the School of Medicine at the Associated Medical Schools of New York Research Awards program this spring.

Davis worked with Marie A. Badalamente, Ph.D., and J. Michael Kramer, M.D., in the Department of Orthopaedics on a research project called "The Pathology of Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis: Dystrophin Myopathy in Paravertebral Muscles."

Adolescent idiopathic scoliosis is the most common type of lateral curvature of the spine, but its cause remains unknown. Davis' research identified a critical muscle membrane protein called dystrophin that is missing in certain muscle cells of patients with scoliosis. The absence of this protein may contribute to the progression of the spinal deformity. If so, his research will help explain the cause of this disorder.



Drs. William L. Davis, Jr. with Marie Badalamente and J. Michael Kramer.

## President Marburger Steps Down

ohn H. Marburger, president of the university for the past 13 years, announced last month that he will resign his position to return to research and teaching at Stony Brook. His resignation will be effective upon his successor's taking office.

Marburger, 52, became Stony Brook's third president in 1980. He will hold a dual appointment in the departments of physics and electrical engineering.

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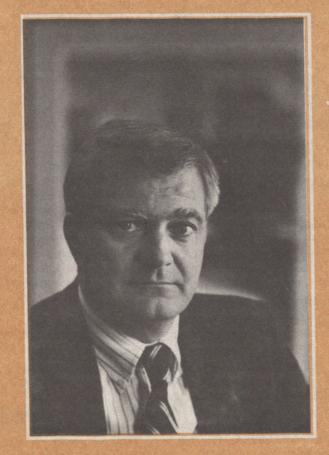
In a letter to the university community, Marburger wrote, "Carol and I are deeply grateful for the friendship and cooperation we have received during the years we have worked together to add new dimensions to the university. Opening University Hospital, developing links to the Long Island region, improving campus life, substantially increasing external support, and helping the campus to achieve its missions for a growing diversity of students and constituencies have been a source of immense satisfaction. We look forward to continuing our lives in the university community and developing new friendships and new perspectives on university life.

"I plan to follow the example of an increasing number of campus presidents and return to the faculty. Much recent reading and writing in my field of applied physics and a small number of stimulating encounters with my colleagues have convinced me that this is likely to be successful. I am tremendously excited by the Engineering 2000 initiative launched by Dean Yacov Shamash, and I am impressed by the rapid development of applied physics in our Physics Department. I look forward to assisting both developments as a professor of physics and electrical engineering."

"Jack Marburger has been a strong champion not only of SUNY Stony Brook, but of academic quality, scholarly integrity, and the role of the public research university in America," notes SUNY Chancellor Bruce Johnstone.

"President Marburger has made many substantial and positive achievements during his tenure at Stony Brook," Alumni Association President Sheldon L. Cohen commented.

Since the beginning of his presidency, Marburger intended to remain in office only 10 years. "But 1990 was the first year of deep budget cuts, and our current administrative team was then brand new," he explained. "I decided to stay on until the campus had weathered the worst of the storm.



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While the forthcoming year will not be an easy one for Stony Brook, the additional cuts are not large and there are many signs of recovery. The planning and budgeting system is working; enrollment appears to be on target again; and sponsored research and fund-raising are up substantially. There is much to do to restore campus morale after the devastating past few years, and even more to push our campus farther and faster along its trajectory of academic excellence and national leadership. I believe it will be possible to find a fourth president for the University at Stony Brook who can do these things well."

Prior to assuming the Stony Brook presidency at the age of 39, Marburger had been at the University of Southern California for 14 years, initially as an assistant professor of physics and electrical engineering and ultimately as dean of the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences.

He received his B.A. in physics from Princeton University in 1962 and his Ph.D. in applied physics from Stanford University in 1967.

Upon leaving the President's residence in Old Field, the Marburgers plan to move to Belle Terre.

The authority to appoint a new president is vested in the Board of Trustees, which accepts recommendations from the Stony Brook Council. The chair of the Stony Brook Council, Aaron Donner, will consult with Chancellor Johnstone to develop a search committee that will include members of the council and representatives from the faculty, professional employees, administration, students and alumni. It is anticipated that a replacement will be found within a year.

#### **CAMPUS NEWS**

## COMMENCEMENT 1993

warm welcome to our newest alumni – 2,600 undergraduates and 1,700 graduate students who received their hard-earned degrees on Sunday, May 23, at Stony Brook's 33rd Commencement.

Graduating students streamed into the Indoor Sports Complex from all directions under the banners of their schools and majors. Grand Marshall was Bernard Dudock, profes-

sor of biochemistry and cell biology and president of the University Senate. Following him came Senior Class Representative Alphonso Grant, the faculty and the Class of 1993. Ward Melville Valedictorian was Pamela Rief; H. Lee Dennison Transfer Award Valedictorian was Diana Sherlip.

Student speaker Oral Muir, political science and Africana Studies major, said, "We must be sure to remind everyone that high quality work and innovative excellence comes with being a Stony Brook graduate. We must not forget those who will come after us, but must pave the way, creating opportunities for them whenever possible."

An internationally prominent Harvard researcher and three high school teachers received special honors.

Dr. Howard Green, chair of the Department of Cellular and Molecular Physiology at Harvard Medical School, was awarded an honorary degree. His research played a pivotal role in creating University Hospital's Burn Unit by enabling plastic surgeons to grow sheets of epithelium for skin grafts.

For the first time, Stony Brook honored high school teachers whose encouragement contributed to the success of graduating seniors: Joanne Huybensz (English Phd., 77) of John F. Kennedy High School in Plainview-Old Bethpage, Diane Munno of West Islip High School, and Kevin McCann (BA, 70) of Columbia High School in East Greenbush. Graduating seniors Paul Undari, Theresa Campo and Jennifer O'Brien nominated them.

Twenty-seven students made history as the first graduates of the Honors College, established in 1989 to offer high-achieving students an especially rigorous four-year curriculum. Welcome, new alumni!



Graduating students climb the steps to the Indoor Sports Complex.



Read my mortarboard: Thanks, Mom and Dad.



YES! Gloria Traveras made it!

**Thomas Flanagan Named Distinguished Professor** 

Thomas Flanagan, professor of English, scholar and prizewinning novelist, has been designated a "Distinguished Professor" by the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York. This is the highest academic honor the university bestows.

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Thomas Flanagan

Author of two novels that are ranked among the major works of twentieth-century fiction, Flanagan enjoys the esteem of the intellectual and writing community in America and abroad. According to Stony Brook President John H. Marburger, "Professor Flanagan is the epitome of Irish literary, historical and poetic sensibility...and the greatest living scholar of Irish literature."

Thomas Kranidas, chair of the Department of English, says, "I am delighted that this honor has come to Tom Flanagan and to the English Department, which has the extraordinary honor of having two Distinguished Professors on its faculty, both of them major American writers: Louis Simpson and Thomas Flanagan."

Kranidas adds, "On either of two grounds, Tom Flanagan is quite simply the most distinguished figure in Anglo-Irish letters. First, he is widely considered to be the leading scholar and critic of Irish literature in English; second, he is author of two novels that have already entered the canon of major works in twentieth-century fiction." Furthermore, "His intellect and experience have proved important on major university committees. His erudition, wit, and warmth have made his classes among the most popular among our best students."

Flanagan's first novel, *The Year of the French*, won the 1979 National Book Critics Circle Award and was made into a six-part series by Irish and French television. It has been widely reprinted and translated into Dutch, French, German and Italian. *The Tenants of Time*, published in 1987, continued the historical sweep of Irish history and met with near-equal success. A third volume, forthcoming, is eagerly anticipated.

Flanagan's fiction compares favorably in its scope, grandeur and poignancy to *War and Peace*, says a University of Chicago professor of British and Irish history, who adds, "As history it is impeccable, and as art it is consummate." Letters in support of Flanagan's nomination to the distinguished professorship include glowing tributes from Irish poet Seamus Heaney, writer Conor Cruise O'Brien, and professors of history and literature at New York University, Loyola, Wesleyan, Columbia, University of California at Berkeley, University College Dublin, and elsewhere.

A native of Greenwich, Connecticut, Flanagan earned his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Columbia University where he taught from 1949-59. From 1960-78 he was on the faculty of the University of California at Berkeley and then came to Stony Brook 15 years ago. In addition to his novels, he is author of the seminal critical study, *The Irish Novelists, 1800-1850*, and a long list of articles and scholarly prefaces.

Flanagan's lifelong scholarly and creative achievements have been recognized by the world beyond the campus, and his dedicated teaching has inspired generations of students at Stony Brook.



"Korean Village," donated by sculptor Chang-Hee Kim.

A massive bronze sculpture by Korean artist Chang-Hee Kim now graces the Engineering Quadrangle. Called "Korean Village," it was donated to the university by the artist this spring.

The sculpture (10 feet high, eight feet wide and 17 feet long) stands as a symbol of community. Contemporary in style, it depicts trees, countryside and people and is designed to be interactive with passersby. Students have already found that it's a good place to sit down and bask in the sun.

A sculptor with a global reputation, Kim teaches environmental sculpture at Seoul City University. A visiting scholar in Korean Studies at Stony Brook two years ago, he came away from the experience impressed by the university and especially its Korean Studies program.

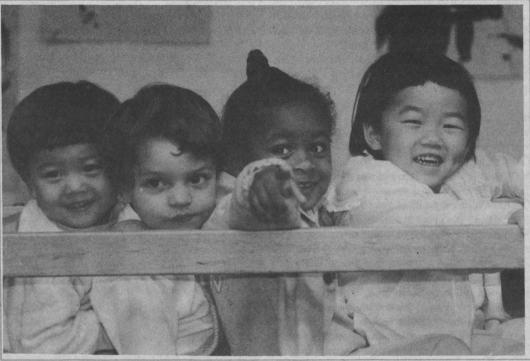
"He wanted to do more, to participate and be part of the program," explained Professor Sung-Bae Park, head of Korean Studies. "That was the motivation for this generous gift."

Kim's work has been most recently represented in Korea's National Museum of Contemporary Art, the Museum of Oriental Art in Moscow, the Korea-China Artist Association Exhibition at the Seoul Arts Center, the Korean Consulate General in Osaka, Japan, and Gallery Korea in New York City.

#### CAMPUS NEWS

# Toscanini Infant Center Grows Up





Pictures from the Toscanini Infant Center, assembled over the past 20 years, show a world of young faces. Can you identify these children? Write and tell us who they are.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO,

a group of parents got together in a residence hall to babysit for each other's children. Three hundred kids and many grateful families later, the Toscanini Infant Center has grown up into a model infant/ toddler child care center.

In its own infancy, the center was a cooperative, operated by parents who used space in Toscanini College in Tabler Quad. Eventually it expanded into quarters on Daniel Webster Drive, where two other parent co-ops (Benedict and Early Childhood Centers) were already located. In 1985, the university created Stony Brook Child Care Services, Inc., a governing board that oversees those three centers plus Clark Infant Center (opened in 1989.) Last year, Stony Brook's child care program became the first in Suffolk County to receive accreditation from the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs.

Toscanini's daily activities are designed on the "open classroom" model, says director Vera Baquet '79 (B.S., biology) and '93 (M.S., technological



systems management). "That means that it is childfocused and child centered," she explains. "We take our cues from the children who are given much choice and flexibility during their day. The program revolves around them."

Caregivers from off campus are learning to care for children the Toscanini way. St. Joseph's and Suffolk County Community colleges send students to join Stony Brook undergraduates in Toscanin's internship program. And Columbia Teachers College, which received a grant to produce training



videos, made Toscanini the focus of its video on infant and toddler care.

Baquet, not coincidentally, was awarded a 1993 President's Award for Excellence in Professional Service from University President John H. Marburger, for her outstanding work.

But the most heartfelt accolades come from the children themselves and their families. After 20 years, their feelings about "Tosc" and its staff can be summed up in three words: "We love you!"

By Sue Risoli



TriStar Pictures, Bob Geary negotiates deals: deals that bring actors, producers, writers and directors together to make films. The kind of deals that let Steven Speilberg's *Hook*, Woody Allen's

films and Sleepless in Seattle become a reality.

"I've been doing this for 21 years now," he says, "and every one is a little different. It keeps things interesting." Today, as TriStar's executive vice president of business affairs, his time is spent primarily in the negotiations that get big projects off the ground. Projects like *Philadelphia*, opening next December, directed by Jonathan Demme and starring Denzel Washington and Tom Hanks. Geary calls it "the first major picture on AIDS," and "a truly wonderful and important film."

Sometimes the work gets a little bizarre. One actor insisted on having a personal masseuse on the set every day; another required a FAX machine in his trailer and a particular brand of yogurt at lunch. Among the strangest was the request to reimburse a director for condoms purchased on a location scout. "Somehow I just couldn't approve that expenditure as being appropriate to the job description," he says, adding, "One of the most important qualities for this job is a sense of humor."

"I have a terrific staff to handle the day-to-day negotiations," he says. "It allows me to spend my time either on the phone or at meetings, helping to determine and communicate our positions on financial and related production matters. The average film costs around \$27 million to make, and another \$15 million to market. It's commerce, and the stakes are very high. It's this blending of art and commerce that makes most decisions collaborative. The battles we have stem from this apparent conflict of goals. What makes the work ultimately satisfying is being involved in a film that successfully blends the two. It must first make a profit. If it has something to say to people and can help effectuate positive change, so much the better. What distresses me most about many of today's films is the violence and its potential effect on young people, but this issue needs to be dealt with by the entire industry, which is slow to change and afraid of not giving the public what it perceives it wants."

TriStar is owned by Sony. "Sony looks at the future differently from small companies. They have a global, long-term perspective. They've been at the cutting edge of entertainment hardware for a long time, and now they produce the software, too."

The entertainment business and law were not what Geary first intended to do with his life. At Stony Brook, he majored in political science, concentrating on Latin American studies. "My Stony Brook experience was excellent in many ways. I was in the first generation of my family to go beyond high school, and I wanted to be away from home, but at 17 years old I needed to be close enough to go back when I felt the need. My original plan was to go to graduate school and then teach at the college level or go into the diplomatic corps, but the Vietnam war intervened. Stony Brook in the '60s was a place of high political awareness, activism and angst; it certainly wasn't all sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll. My strong feelings against the war were heightened, I think,

The Business of Hollywood and the Art of Living

by what I was studying in terms of our historical involvement in Latin America."

"My mentor then was Martin Travis [professor emeritus of political science]. He wasn't pleased, but I think he understood how I felt at the time I graduated. It seemed safer to go to law school than graduate school. In the end, however, asthma kept me out of the draft.

"I went to NYU Law School. On the very first day, at an orientation program, graduates of the school were paired up with entering students to show them around and help them feel comfortable. My partner was a woman – I remember her first name was Joy – and she was an entertainment lawyer. We spent the whole day talking about it. Suddenly, my two years on the Student Activities Board, organizing dances and concerts with The Doors and Jefferson Airplane, booking folk artists, seemed like an appropriate springboard. I had always been a movie freak, and entertainment law seemed so glamorous. (I've subsequently learned it is not. Well, OK, there ARE perks.)"

Geary decided that first day to go into entertainment law and chose courses accordingly.

"I'm a great believer in destiny and have always followed my instincts. Visceral works better than intellectual for me."

#### **No Regrets**

He recalls, "When I went to NYU, I was angry and resentful that the war had interfered with my life and I wasn't going after what I had pursued for four years at Stony Brook. But, of course, now I don't regret the decision at all. As it turned out, I've been very lucky. I've never been out of work, once I got started. I'm good at and enjoy what I do and I work very hard. A lot of it was luck and timing, but a good education and ambition didn't hurt either."

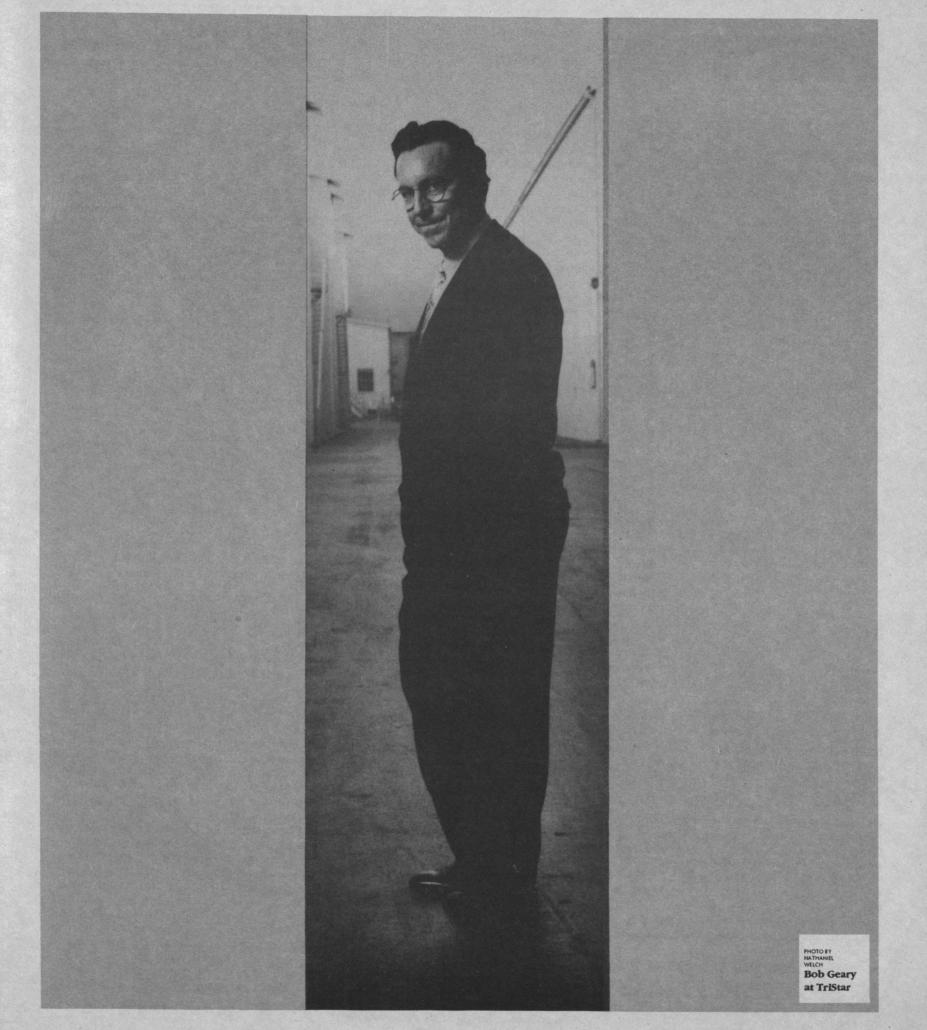
Getting started in the entertainment business wasn't so easy. He graduated NYU in 1971, passed the New York bar exam, borrowed money and "bummed around Europe" for three months.

"When I came back, I lived in Greenwich Village and linked up with the downtown crowd – people in theatre, journalism, writers and artists. I tried to get work with law firms focusing on film, theatre or television, with no luck. For about five months, I was sleeping on the floor of my friend's apartment, borrowing money to get by. My family was pressuring me to take a D.A. job on Long Island, where they lived and had political connections."

"But then one day I saw a notice at the NYU placement office that United Artists was looking for a lawyer, no experience necessary. Two hours later, I interviewed for the job and got it."

At United Artists, he began to work on contracts and to learn the value of patience on the job. Among the most challenging projects proved to be *Rocky* and *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest. "Rocky* was a difficult project because there was limited funding and we had to scramble for every dollar. I worked a year and a half on *Cuckoo's Nest*, and I think that was the one that finally cemented my position in the company," he says. "United Artists then was a place where loyalty, hard work and being honorable were greatly valued. Unfortunately, generous salaries were not."

"Around 1976 I began getting antsy. The six-Continued on page 14



## **A Balancing Act**

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year relationship I was in ended, life in New York had become too frenetic, and it became clear that the business was really based in California."

Providentially, in August of 1976, United Artists sent him to Los Angeles, and while he was there he visited some former colleagues from UA who were then at Paramount. A few weeks later, Paramount offered him the job of senior attorney in their Legal Department. He accepted and moved west.

"About eight months after I got to Paramount, United Artists' west coast vice president of business and legal affairs quit, and they asked me to come back for that job. At that time, United Artists and Paramount were feuding over the move *Alive* (It

finally came out this year) and Paramount wasn't happy about my wanting to leave, especially to go to UA." He had to buy himself out of the contract, and in May of '77 went back to United Artists. "One of the first projects I worked on was *Coming Home*. I felt I had."

"The new job was in the Thalberg Building at the old MGM studios, where Louis B. Mayer used to have his office. The very first time Stallone and Jane Fonda walked down the hall and came into the office, I was totally star struck. Working on a real movie lot so loaded with history was a very exciting place for a guy from Massapequa to be."

#### Starting from Scratch

A year later, while working on Apocalypse Now, the five men who had run United Artists for decades caused an incredible shock within the industry by quitting en masse to form Orion. Geary went with them. Those were exciting days: "We opened the doors and set up offices on the Warner Brothers' lot, doing everything ourselves from scratch. Some of the pictures we made were A Little Romance, 10, Arthur, Excalibur

and *The Great Santini*. We were a small group – only 15 of us on the west coast, and my secretary and I were the legal and business affairs department out here. We worked hard but had great fun – I even got to take my dog to work every day. You felt like these people were your family, you worked so closely with them."

That lasted about four years. Then Arthur Krim and Mike Medavoy, with whom Geary had worked for 10 years, took over Filmways in March of '82. Geary was asked to join them as senior vice president of business and legal affairs.

"Once again we started from scratch. You had to do everything you could to make this work; all bases needed to be covered. We were on work overload, but it was great because we now had an extended family. Some of my dearest friends came out of that experience."

Filmways/Orion grew to a company of 700 people. "It was a very special time, building a major motion picture company from almost nothing. We made 10-12 films a year, including *Terminator, Robocop, Platoon, Desperately Seeking Su*-

san, Amadeus, and the Woody Allen films of the '80s. We did television too: *Cagney and Lacey* was our most popular show."

"Then, in 1986, at the beginning of Orion's economic hardships, I had a falling out with the president of the company and quit. I guess every family has its ups and downs.

"Within a week, I was back at United Artists, this time working exclusively in business affairs. It was good for a while. *Rainman* was a particularly satisfying experience. Unfortunately, however, UA was in a time of flux and slowly began its disintegration.

"The next four years became more and more chaotic. The new chairman of the company was terminated – I didn't know that could even happen. The company was in the process of being



Bob Geary with a painting of Sharon Stone from Basic Instincts.

sold (and resold) by Kirk Kerkorian. I learned that to some, the business was not about movies; it was only about money. Tradition, loyalty, truth and fairness were not on the menu. After two years, people started being fired almost daily. One day we woke up to find that UA had ceased to exist. Suddenly, I was "transferred" to MGM - no choice - for two years. I worked with some good people, but the corporate turmoil was ridiculous. We were now run by investment bankers. Projects were on, then they were off. We did laugh a great deal because of the absurdity of the situation. But when my contract expired and they said, 'Just work week-to-week until we close the sale of the company,' I said, 'Forget it!' The instability became overwhelming; I thought I might lose my home (an old Spanish villa that I'd restored) and my home is one of my lifelines to sanity."

One Thursday night in the midst of that difficult time, a representative from 20th Century Fox took him to dinner and offered him a job. He jumped at it. The next morning, barely 12 hours later, longtime friend and colleague Mike Medavoy called. Medavoy had finally left Orion to become chair of TriStar and was looking for someone to head their business affairs.

Geary called Fox right away, but they didn't want to release him from the earlier agreement. A difficult weekend followed, but the outcome was successful. Fox reluctantly, but, Geary says, "graciously" released him. He's now been with TriStar for three years and just signed a contract for another three. "It's a pleasure to work productively again for a company that has money and with nice, smart people."

#### "I've lost too many of my friends to AIDS"

His work is challenging and could easily become all consuming. But Geary won't let that happen:

"I know that I could push myself harder and

probably move further with my career, but I've decided that, although the work is very important to me, it's not my entire life. I won't let it be. It is essential to me to keep a balance. The past 10 years have proven to me that life is too short. I have a cordial business relationship with the people I work with and have made many good and close friends that I met through the business. But I need my downtime at home so that I can maintain a sane and calm personal life.

"I've lost too many of my friends to AIDS in the past 10 years. The number of them that are gone or ill now is really staggering. I took care of my best friend for his last six months because his family back East rejected him, and he came to California so he wouldn't be alone. One of my closest friends ever was my roommate from Stony Brook who recently died. I keep thinking that we're too young to be going through this seemingly endless cycle of illness and certain death, but it does tend to put things into perspective. You try to help others, but no matter how much you do, you can't help but feel that it's never enough. Still, I try to enjoy every day that I'm here.

"Tve been in a terrific, supportive relationship for 16 years. We travel a lot; I even got down to Latin America recently. I love to cook – we have a cooking club – and raise roses. Keeping up with the garden, the house and three dogs takes time. I try to help family and friends, support AIDS causes, the ACLU and the Human Rights Task Force. I recently went to Washington where I marched in support of gay rights and lifting the ban on gays in the military."

"Sometimes I can't help but get depressed, but basically, I often feel like the luckiest guy alive. I have great friends – the ones that are left – and a great family. My brother and I are very close. I seem to appreciate my life and my health more as I get older. I'm thankful for the work and the love of people I care about. I'm "godfather" to a beautiful seven-month-old baby girl; it is an absolute joy to watch her grow strong and healthy and smart.

"With all the craziness, it's nice to wake up in the morning and realize that you can still grow, still accomplish something, still love, and smile."

By Gila Reinstein



Ten million visitors are expected to visit the Korean city of Taejon between August 7 and November 7 for what has been called the "largest specialized Expo ever to take place." One hundred thirteen countries and 23 international agencies will present thousands of scientific and technological exhibits, cultural programs, parades and more at this \$1 billion-budget event.

A Stony Brook alumnus stands at the head of the entire project: Dr. Myung Oh '70, '72 (M.S., Ph.D., electrical engineering), chair of the Taejon International Exposition Organizing Committee.

Oh is called "a miracle man" in Korea, where he has brought extraordinary improvements in the electronic, electric and communications industries. As minister of telecommunications for the Korean government in the 1980s, he expanded the telephone system fivefold while cutting costs to unique emotion that one feels in being remembered and recognized by the constituency of one's alma mater, that is quite different from any sort of recognition received from one's government, or even working colleagues... I welcome the opportunity to give something back to Stony Brook, to help this fine school in its continued growth as a center for high quality education and research in all areas."

A central goal of this summer's Taejon Expo 93, according to Oh, is "to attain balance and cooperation between the developing countries and the industrialized nations." There will be exhibits of traditional technologies as well as modern science. The official title of the fair, "Challenge of a New Road to Development," has two subheadings: "Traditional and Modern Science and Technology for the Developing World" and "Towards



one-eighth what they were before he took office. For the Seoul Olympic Games in 1988, Oh orchestrated the telecommunication and computer coverage so the entire world could watch. His long-term planning for high-tech industry has made Korea one of the world's top exporters of electronics.

Oh, born in 1940, graduated from Seoul National University with a major in electronics in 1966. He earned his master's degree from Stony Brook in 1970 and his doctorate in engineering in 1972. After returning to Korea, he taught at the Korean Military Academy until 1979 and served as senior researcher at the Ministry of Defense Scientific Research Institute until 1980. He joined the government as vice minister of telecommunications in 1981 and was promoted to minister in 1987. He now devotes his efforts full time to the Taejon Expo.

In 1989, Oh was designated "Stony Brook Professor," a title reserved for someone "who has made significant contributions to society, especially in areas directly related to Stony Brook's missions," said President John H. Marburger in making the appointment. Oh is one of only two people to hold the title.

On that occasion, Oh wrote, "It is indeed a

Improved Use and Recycling of Resources."

Vivid symbols of the harmony of old and new were created by the Korea Aerospace Research Institute for the Expo: one is a reconstruction of 15th century Korean rockets, called "fire arrows" – among the world's oldest gunpowder-propelled weapons; the other is an ultra-modern, unmanned helium aircraft that will transmit weather and traffic reports during the Expo.

Environmental issues also receive attention. The Expo site, about 150 kilometers south of Seoul, is circled by a fuel-efficient magnetic levitation monorail, demonstrating the Expo's sensitivity to ecological concerns. One pavilion, constructed of recycled bottles, houses art on environmental themes.

There's a lighter side to this world's fair, too. The mascot is the mischievous Kumdori, called "a modern cosmic baby elf who possesses all the powers of nature." Programs include concerts, Guiness World Book of Records competitions, fireworks, acrobatics, puppetry, parades, an aviation festival and performances of traditional Korean music, theatre, dance and folklore.

By Gila Reinstein



Dr. Myung Oh '70, '72

#### **Korean Connections**

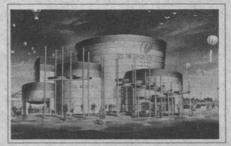
Stony Brook maintains a lively and cordial connection to Korea and the Korean-American community – and alumni are a strong link in the chain.

Every year the university honors a distinguished member of the Korean or Korean-American community for enhancing cooperation and understanding between the United States, Korea and Korean-Americans.

Formal agreements between USB and several universities in Korea encourage cooperative efforts in research, education and cultural exchange. Alumni who have returned to Korea – leaders in science, technology, government and the arts – keep in touch with one another and with the university and lend generous support to their alma mater.

At any given time, about 350 Korean and Korean-American students are enrolled here. Serving their needs are groups like the Stony Brook Society for Korean Studies, the Student Association for Korean Studies, the Spirit of Young Koreans, and the Korean Christian Fellowship. A Korean Studies Research Library houses several thousand volumes, and at a special computer center funded by IBM of Korea, students work in Korean, Japanese and Chinese as well as English.

It all started back in 1981 when a small group of scholars and students launched an experimental program to study Korean culture and history. The project, formalized as the Korean Studies Program in 1987, has become a thriving academic enterprise. Part of the Department of Comparative Studies, it encompasses Korean language and literature, religion, history, aesthetics and drama. At its head is Professor Sun Bae Park, director.



The Currency Cultural Pavilion – one of over 40 – at the Taejon Expo '93.

recalls Stony Brook in its early years: the other from a recent grad who was asked to recite Lewis Carroll's "Jabberwocky" on a camping trip in rural Chile.

Please write to us and share your reminiscences and stories. We'll try to print your letter.

#### Marc Crawford Leavitt '70 **B.A., Political Science**

#### Muddy Days in the Age of Aquarius

Stony Brook in 1966, there were 4,000 students. There were five original red brick academic buildings. Period. Everyone lived in G or H quad except the commuters. Boys were allowed in girls' dorms (and vice versa) only on Fridays and Saturdays from 7-11 p.m. and Sunday afternoons from 2-6; the door had to be open the width of a matchbook (but which direction?) and each person had to have at least one foot on the floor at all times. When I graduated in 1970, the student body exceeded 10,000 and we practically had coed dorms.

Stony Brook was a new place with a pending reputation as the jewel in SUNY's crown. The Health Sciences Center was a forest, as was most now Steve's wife and a watercolor artist. We tromped through construction sites of mud, and demonstration that cpawned buttons demanding, "NOW, not 1980!" Some people called Stony Brook the downstate part of Nelson Rockefeller's "edifice complex."

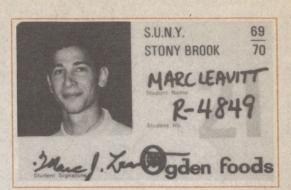
Of all the colleges I applied to, Stony Brook was my "safe" school. But despite that, I retain many Stony Brook friends, have many fond memories and received an excellent broad-based education pressed that this small nonprofit group brought as a Poli-Sci/Theatre double major - both in and out of the classroom.

Lee Koppelman, director of the L.I. Regional Planning Commission, was my mentor although he only taught one course each semester. "Bigger and better elephants!" was his critical phrase about bureaucratic agencies. He took me to a Senate hearing in Washington as his aide, where he testified about ecological planning issues, then a Councilmember who got recycling legislation passed to talk with two senators and several congressmen at the N.Y. Power Authority (as president of Hillel, and the Suffolk County police campus drug arrests.

I lived in Roth Quad when Joseph Henry college was renamed for the late Jimmy Hendrix and Lake Leon [now called Roth Ouad Pond] for a dead duck (really). I remember when the Beatles' "Yellow Submarine" was first run in the new lecture hall complex (the Pyramids) [later dedicated as the Javits Center].

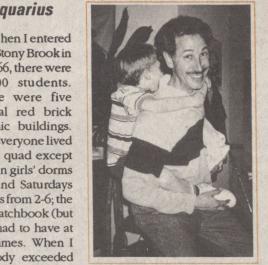
productions, most of which I directed: My Fair reality of campus recruitment by Dow Chemical Lady in a G-quad basement with music by tape- Company. Thank you, Stony Brook.

Stony Brook welcomes your letters. Here are recorder in '67; the docu-play In White America two: one from a member of the Class of 1970 who with an all-white cast?! (Leslie Duncan's letter was sadly correct that there were few minority students); The Connection, a mixture of jazz and the drug culture directed by Prof. Jack Barry. In '68, Stephen Pilnick (now a Navy Captain in the Pentagon) built the teeny, now-extinct Gershwin Music Box into a lounge where we put on How to Succeed in Business with musical direction by Alan Storch (now a Florida radiologist married to Ronnie Wildman) and starring Mary Lou Cortright,



with lots of topical humor - "The World According to Mark Crawford Leavitt," bas been performed around Long Island. To create the show, he takes popular songs or show tunes and gives them new words that poke fun at the failings and excesses of the public arena.

Marc and his wife, Betsy, live in Sunnyside with their children, Joshua (7) and Emily (5). Their daughter, Allegra (18), will enroll as a freshman at the New School for Social Research in September.



Marc Leavitt today

of the campus. The buildings grew around us; we christened the new student union in '69 with Gilbert and Sullivan's Trial By Jury in the round, one student fell into a big hole, prompting the co-starring Rick Lurye (now an attorney living in Rockville, Maryland).

In April 1970, I was one of the campus organizers of the first Earth Day in conjunction with the Environmental Defense Fund. EDF's founding board included several Stony Brook faculty (Dr. Robert Smolker) and its headquarters was a barnhouse in East Setauket. I was greatly imthe lawsuit creating "citizen standing" to fight for the environment and got the Interior Department to ban DDT.

During the summer before starting Columbia Law School, I worked with EDF on water pollution control when Suffolk was the first locale to ban phosphates in detergents. More than 20 years later, my law partner Sheldon Leffler was the NYC new concern. At a high-power cocktail party, I got and classmate Mark Kapner is a solar energy expert (no women then!) about Vietnam, the environment he led "Moishe's Minstrels"; now he plays with the "Odessa Kelzmer Orchestra").

> In May 1970, when Nixon bombed Cambodia, exams were largely canceled as half the school protested in Washington. I was one of the campus coordinators of the effort to graduate sans cap and gown, instead donating the money to congressional peace candidates.

And we all went off into this crazy world My four years were also marked by theatrical believing in the Age of Aquarius tempered by the



#### Marc Crawford Leavitt

Marc Crawford Leavitt is still working to change the world. He was bonored last fall by All Saints' Episcopal Church of Sunnyside, NY, for his efforts to promote racial barmony in the community. For years be bas organized and served on panels, facilitated programs in the public schools, and given lots of time and energy to the community where he lives.

At the ceremony bonoring Leavitt for "Distinguished Service to the Parish and Community," he was praised for "bis courage, bis example, and bis witness to the values of justice, reconciliation and public service."

He and bis wife have been members of All Saints Episcopal for about 10 years. They also belong to Temple Isaiab of Forest Hills, where he teaches music in the Hebrew school.

Leavitt is a partner in Leavitt, Kerson and Leffler of Woodside, NY, doing general practice legal work. He has a special interest in legal issues regarding the elderly and is currently writing an article on the subject: "What Everyone Should Know About Elderlaw, Estate Taxes and Long-Term Care Planning."

He also serves on the board of directors of the Rosewood Chamber Ensemble, is president-elect of the Sunnyside Kiwanis Club, and is active in the Chamber of Commerce and the West Queens Independent Democrats. From time to time be plays the organ for All Saints and has played flute for local community theatre.

His original musical review - a political satire

#### Kostya Kennedy '90 **B.A.**, Philosophy

#### Yabberwauhki

brown and conditioned to their sun, gave sympathetic laughter.

I took shade under a short tree that stood in the soil next to the stony beach. Here I would sit watching silver waves lick languidly at the shore while across the glistening water a proud volcano thrust its snowy peak through a nimbus of cloud. The bright days ambled serenely along, punctuated by lowing cows, the whir of a logger's distant chainsaw and our daily swims.

In the mornings we ate fresh bread brought from a hillside farm and sold to us by a woman and her son. She was thirtyish, with a stained, masculine face and a front tooth that hung like a jagged bone from her gum. The silent little boy who gripped her hand never changed the expression of sullen curiosity with which he scanned the campsite. "We don't get too many campers here," the woman said one morning. "Especially not too many like him. She gestured in my direction,

get hungry, come up to the farm. We'll have apple empanadas later." By midday the posse was scattered about. A

pair played chess in the sand; someone swam in the distance, two others picked blackberries. Felipe approached my spot in the shade. He was tall and sturdy, with a black beard and brown doggy eyes. We'd known each other one bumbling week. Together we'd fished without luck, gathered wet firewood, driven down desolate dirt roads in a

pickup truck and spent hours trying to get the truck out of the mud. I taught him how to juggle three stones of different weight, and he taught me how to bleat in perfect sheep. He wore sandals, I wore sneakers, and we fused our different perspectives in a blunder of Spanglish that we only sometimes understood.

"Gringo," he said, stretching out his long legs as he sat down. "There's a poem I like. It's called vabber... um, vabber..."

"Jabberwocky?" I offered.

"Si, Yabberwauhki!" Felipe clapped his hands and seemed to chortle in his joy. As he often did at moments that gave him pleasure, Felipe reached into the pocket of his leather vest and pulled out a cigarette. "Do you know the poem?"

I began, "Twas brillig and the slithy toves ... "

Felipe took the reins: "Did gy-reh and gim-bleh in de wabe." Thus came a Jabberwocky of Chilean stripe. Felipe stumbled through the verses, puffing his cigarette, negotiating Lewis Carroll's half-sensical words in earnest, accented English. I helped him where I could.

caught my eye and smiled warmly. "If any of you said, reverting to Spanish as soon as he finished reciting. "And I have no idea what it means."

> "Even if you spoke English you wouldn't really know what it means," I assured him.

> "But I think I understand it anyway," Felipe said. "The words set a mood. It feels good."

Suddenly we sat there - he beneath a sombrero, I in a Mets cap - in a lingering silence so comfortable it bridged, for the moment, all of our cultural gaps. We both giggled slightly without explanation. A wind brought the smell of burning wood, and I remembered the woman's morning promise. I imagined envelopes of dough, each plugged with a prize of tender, steaming apples, emerging from an oven. Perhaps Felipe heard my stomach growl. "Let's go see about those empanadas," he said.

We rose in tandem. Then, kicking one stone between us, we climbed the green hill to the farmhouse.

#### Kostya Kennedy

Kostya Kennedy filled a "vast" journal in Chile earlier this year, thanks to a Pulitzer Traveling Fellowship. Now be's sorting through the experiences and writing them up as a free-lance journalist.

A 1990 Stony Brook graduate with a major in philosophy, Kostya worked at Newsday as a sports and police reporter for a year. In 1991 be enrolled in the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, graduating the following spring with one of the highest awards the school can bestow, a Pulitzer grant that allowed him to live in South America for several months. He found Chile to be exciting: "After 17 years of dictatorship, it is now a completely democratic country, but it's in transition. There's a lot of hope there, and also a lot of disappointment," he says.

On campus Kostva was managing and sports editor of Statesman and played bass guitar at G "I learned that poem a long time ago," Felipe Fest for three years with his band, Special Delivery.



Kostya Kennedy and friend in the Chilean countryside

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or seven days we slept in tents at lakeshore; this New Yorker and six Chileans. In the south of Chile, the sun burned a special kind of hot, boring like a laser beam through an atmosphere of depleted ozone. After the first day my fair skin appeared lobster red and my companions,

#### ATHLETICS



Richard Laskowski joined the university in March, 1993 as the new dean of physical education and athletics. As the university upgrades its athletic program to the NCAA Division I level, he will be a key figure.

Laskowski brings 19 years of experience with bim from St. John's University, where he served most recently as the associate athletic director of varsity sports, a position he attained in 1985. Laskowski also has worked in athletic counseling, intramural and club sports, all of which will serve bim in good stead at Stony Brook.

**Q.** Why is the University at Stony Brook upgrading its athletic program to Division I?

A. There are many aspects to the move, but the primary reason is that Stony Brook has an image problem. The 10 articles printed in Newsday last year were devastating to the image of Stony Brook. Only 3,000 members [out of approximately 70,000 alumni] in the university's Alumni Association implies an image problem as well.

To quote from a report compiled by the Future Directions Committee of the University at Stony Brook in 1991, "Only two other major public research universities outside of SUNY continue to compete in Division III. If the composition of Division III is examined, it is rather an anachronism that Stony Brook continues to compete at that level. In a recent listing, 321 institutions were classified at Division III. Of that number, 235, or nearly 75 percent, had enrollments of less than 2,500. Only 10 institutions in the country were competing in Division III with enrollments of 10,000 or more."

To some degree, you are who you play. When our teams compete against Ramapo, Kean and Manhattanville – fine academic schools but relatively unknown outside of the Northeast – it is not surprising that the community does not think of us in the same breath with the other great comprehensive public research universities in the country. Athletics is a way of gaining a tremendous amount of exposure and improving the image of this university. It is unfortunate, but a university can gain more publicity from an All-American basketball player than it can from a Rhodes Scholar.

## **Q.** How will individual alumni of Stony Brook benefit from the move to Division I?

**A.** The move to Division I will increase the value of a Stony Brook degree as the years go on. The way that happens, as it has at Notre Dame, Duke,



**Dean Richard Laskowski** 

North Carolina, Georgetown and Villanova, is that the more successful a university's athletic program becomes, the greater the overall number of applicants a university receives. The admissions standards become much more selective with more people applying and the university can, in turn, increase the requirements for admission and opt for the brightest students. The more difficult it becomes to gain admission to a university, the more that university will be recognized as a fine academic institution.

Fifteen years ago it was more difficult to gain admission to Stony Brook than it was to any of the aforementioned universities. The value of the degrees from all of those schools has increased as a result of their athletic success. For example, Duke University has more high school valedictorians in its freshman class than any other college in the country, with the exception of Harvard. Consequently, we hope as the years go on that our success in athletics will encourage more and more students to apply to Stony Brook, increasing the academic standards for admission which, in turn, increases the value of an alumnus' diploma.

## **Q.** Will the increased funding necessary for the move to Division I take money away from other areas of the university?

**A.** Any additional funds that are required for the move to Division I will not come as a result of monies being redirected from other programs or areas on campus. For instance, if the athletic budget were to increase, we would not be taking money away from improving a dormitory or a physics lab. Any money used for athletic scholar-

ships at a later date would be part of a fund-raising campaign, since the state does not allow any of its money to be used for athletic scholarships. We will begin a fund-raising campaign this year with the intention of building a base for scholarships five or so years down the line, when we begin a Division I program.

## **Q.** How long does the process to become a Division I program take?

■ A. The process takes a minimum of five years. On July 1 we will begin complying with Division II rules and regulations as outlined by the NCAA. After two years, the university will be admitted into Division II, provided we have followed those guidelines. Once in Division II, we must remain there for a minimum of three years, during which we can make formal application to the NCAA to become a Division I institution. After three years in Division II we can be admitted as a Division I member, providing, again, that we have followed the NCAA rules and regulations that apply to Division II schools."

## **Q.** Can we expect to see Stony Brook playing Notre Dame in football in the near future?

■ A. Our football program will be classified as I-AA and would not play any I-A football programs such as Notre Dame. We will look to compete against schools such as Georgetown and St. John's, which do not offer athletic scholarships for football. Although athletic aid is allowed in Division I-AA football, we would choose not to offer athletic aid. A student-athlete playing football at Stony Brook would receive the same consideration for financial aid as would a non-athlete, that is, financial aid based on need. At the present time, 90 percent of schools playing I-A football are operating in the red. I do not see Stony Brook's playing at the Division 1-A level as a viable goal at this time.

#### Q. What will your role be in the move to Division I?

■ A. My role is to help create the best program, academically and athletically for Stony Brook. My goals for athletics at Stony Brook are fairly simple: develop a competitive program based on integrity; and schedule, whenever possible, the strongest schools academically and athletically. Faculty, students and staff must understand that our first priority is academic excellence, but that we are also seeking athletic excellence.■

Ken Alber, director of sports information

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## VIP Club Inducts Two Alumni Into Hall of Fame

The University at Stony Brook Very Important Patriots (VIP) Club inducted its fifth and sixth members into the VIP Club Athletic Hall of Fame on Saturday, May 1. New honorees were Frank Ross, M.D. '81, the founder of Stony Brook lacrosse, and Janet Travis '80, a five-sport standout.

"This is a special day and a thrill for us to be able to induct Frank Ross and Janet Travis into the hall of fame," said Sam Kornhauser, VIP Club president. "Janet is not only the first woman to be inducted into the hall of fame, but also a five-sport athlete and three-time Athlete of the Year. Such accomplishments are practically unheard of - and the stuff of legends. Frank came to Stony Brook right from high school and founded a lacrosse program. He became captain, interim coach, and later hired a coach for the team, all as an undergraduate. And earlier today, 12 years after his graduation from Stony Brook, he saw that lacrosse team play the U.S. Naval Academy, which is ranked eighth in the nation."

Ross entered Stony Brook as a freshman in 1977 with two dreams: to prepare for a career in medicine and to start a college lacrosse program. By the time he graduated in 1981, the lacrosse team was a reality (that team attained varsity status in 1983 and moved to the NCAA Division I level in 1989) and he was on his way to medical school. Ross graduated *cum laude* from the university with departmental honors in biochemistry, and he received the Stony Brook Student Leadership and Service Award. He is currently an attending surgeon in general and vascular surgery at Central General Hospital in Plainview, New York.

"Frank's relentless effort to bring club lacrosse to Stony Brook blossomed to the point that it became one of only two NCAA Division I sports at this university," said John Espey, head coach of the Stony Brook lacrosse team and the presenter of the award. "Because of his efforts we are all continuing his dream." The lacrosse team at Stony Brook plays national powers such as Navy, Duke, North Carolina, Princeton, Pennsylvania, Notre Dame and Michigan State.

Ross reminisced, "There were many people who were very supportive in the early years, and we managed to pull everything together to form a team. We lost our first game 9-2 to Dowling, won our next four games and the sport began to take off from there. By our third year we were able to hire a coach to run the team and we upgraded our schedule to 10 games. That year our big trip was to



At the induction ceremony, VIP Club President Sam Kornhauser, Dean Laskowski, inductees Dr. Frank Ross and Janet Travis, Director of Women's Athletics Sandy Weeden and Lacrosse Coach John Espy.

Albany, quite a contrast to this year's team that played at the Air Force Academy and in North Carolina."

Janet Travis played five different varsity sports at Stony Brook and was named most valuable player a total of six times in three different sports. She is the first athlete in the history of Stony Brook to have lettered in a sport in all three seasons for four consecutive years.

Travis received a total of 13 varsity letters; four in basketball and softball, three in volleyball, and one each in tennis and field hockey. She was named the VIP/Statesman Female Athlete of the Year three times. In addition, she carried a double major in computer science and music. She is currently a system designer for Grumman Data Systems and is completing work on her dissertation toward a Ph.D. in computer science.

"Janet was a talented as well as a versatile athlete who always had the best interest of the team in mind," remembered Sandy Weeden, director of women's athletics who served as Travis' basketball coach. "Janet was the team captain, the leader, the confidant to her teammates, the mediator when frustration set in. She served her teammates in many different capacities and she also did it for me. She was my confidant, the one who listened to my frustrations, the one who presented me with different perspectives.

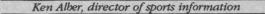
"Janet was the first female basketball player to score 1,000 points during her career," continued Weeden. "I might note it was a very significant accomplishment during that period, since the team only played an average of 15 games a year. We have had six women since who have accomplished the same feat, but they had twice the number of games in which to do it. Janet was the only woman never to be officially recognized by the university for that achievement. We didn't stop the game to present her with the game ball; we didn't give her flowers to acknowledge that milestone in her career; she didn't receive any newspaper coverage... Tonight the university has been given a second chance. I am here before you to finally be a part of giving Janet the recognition that is long overdue."

"Playing team sports was a positive environment for me," said Travis during the acceptance of her award. "I was able to develop many skills, learn about character and develop friendships...My memories of Stony Brook are great memories that I will always cherish."

"Both of our inductees achieved excellence in their undergraduate experience at Stony Brook," said Richard Laskowski, dean of Physical Education and Athletics. "They are outstanding and are a credit to their families and to Stony Brook. We are proud to have them as members of the athletic hall of fame."

#### Hall of Fame Members:

Stuart Goldstein '74, Rollie Massimino, Jack Esposito '68, A. Henry "Hank" von Mechow, Frank Ross, M.D. '81, Janet Travis '80



#### Call for Nominations 1994 VIP Club Hall of Fame

The Stony Brook VIP Club seeks nominations for inductees into the Hall of Fame for 1994. Nominations are due by September 30. Nominees may be varsity athletes who graduated from Stony Brook at least five years ago, and who participated in varsity athletics for a minimum of two years; or coaches, administrators and friends of the athletics program; or a varsity team.

For further information, please contact Kenneth Alber, director of Sports Information, at (516) 632-6312.

#### A message from the Alumni Office:

Commencement 1993 has passed and, as we welcome some 4,000 new alumni to our ranks, it seems a fitting time to reflect on the progress of the Alumni Association.

First, I would like to thank you for making my initial year at Stony Brook a wonderful experience.



Debbie Dietzler

I am constantly finding myself energized by the enthusiasm of the alumni I meet, whether at ar event, on the phone, or through the mail. You desire to remain connected is encouraging and keeps me striving to find new ways to make you voices heard.

We have come a long way since 1965, when the Association was established to provide a link between the alumni and the university. Our mission was defined to be "support of the university's growth, development, campus life and reputation as a quality institution so alumni may continue to take pride in and benefit from their continued association with the university." The close of another academic year serves to reaffirm these goals.

As President Sheldon Cohen wrote in his spring issue letter, the Alumni Board of Directors has various committees working in areas crucial to Stony Brook's progress. We encourage you, our alumni, to become involved in the life of your university by participating in these groups. A call to the Alumni Office, (516) 632-6330, is all it takes to get connected with the appropriate person. Your involvement in our efforts is not only welcomed, but needed for continued success.

Membership in the Alumni Association remains one excellent way to demonstrate your support. Information about the benefits and services afforded our dues-paying members is available from the Alumni Office. We hope you will decide to invest in the future of the organization by joining today. Just use the coupon on this page.

After reading this issue, I am sure you will agree that Stony Brook is in the midst of an exciting time in its growth. The formation of a legacy society, the arrival of an energetic dean for athletics, and, of course, alumni news from all over the world demonstrate that we are a university you can be proud to be a part of.

I hope you will accept this invitation to voice your commitment to Stony Brook through participation in the Alumni Association. We hope you will write, call or visit soon. We look forward to hearing from you!

Albouch (A. Mitglee) All the very best, Deborah A. Dietzler Acting Director for Alumni Affairs

Deborah Alexander '77, Hakimah al-Zahra G'91, Anthony P. Andriani '87, Dana L. Baldwin '83, Barbara A. Barnett Joan E. Pearson G'88, J

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#### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWS

#### **New Member Benefits**

#### PARKING:

Members may obtain a commuter/other parking permit on campus for \$5 per year. Contact the Alumni Association office for details. TRAVEL:

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The 1993-1994 Gold Star directories have arrived. Please call the office if you'd like a copy. **THEATER DISCOUNTS IN MANHATTAN:** 

• Forbidden Broadway. Theatre East, 211 East 60th Street. Call (212) 838-9090. Discounts on tickets and \$5 parking with validated ticket stub. Present your same-day ticket or stub for discount dining at Houlihan's on the corner of 59th and Lexington.

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Use the Alumni Code "A1" when ordering tickets and show your membership card at the box office.



#### From the Regional Clubs

#### Chicago

On April 15, the Alumni Association held a reception for Chicago-area Stony Brook alumni. The event, hosted by Gigi Lamens, director of USB admissions, was held at the Palmer House Hilton in the heart of Chicago.

Stony Brook faculty members from the Political Science Department, Leonie Huddy, Joel Kaji, and Paul Tesk, gave an overview of the department and spoke about their areas of expertise.

Other Chicago events are coming soon.

#### Washington DC/Baltimore

On March 12, USB's Washington DC/Baltimore alumni got together at the Capital Centre to watch the New York Knicks take on the Washington Bullets. This was the group's first try at a basketball event, and it was, to say the least, very successful!

The threat of a blizzard didn't stop 65 alumni and their families from coming out and having a great time. After a pre-game cocktail hour, the Knicks beat the Bullets - a real plus for the former New Yorkers!

Thanks to Elise Saltzberg '78 for her hard work in planning this event. Washington DC/Baltimore sports fans are reminded to mark their calendars for the annual baseball outing on Tuesday, September 28.



## **F**reetings from Budapest

"We're having quite a special experience living in Budapest," writes Ann Wolf, who has been enjoying a leave of absence from the university this semester with her husband, Gerrit, professor in the Harriman School. The sights, sounds and smells of Budapest remind her of growing up in the Bronx in the 1950s, she says.

Despite that nostalgic touch, "New marble and glass buildings are rising above the rubble of 40 years of Communist neglect, and the Western influence pops up all over the city in the form of McDonald's, Burger King, Pizza Hut, Levi's Jeans stores and Dunkin' Donuts.

"The city is going through changes, set against the stress of unemployment, high inflation and a feeling that many Hungarians wish the Communists were back in town telling them what to do."

#### Ann Wolf, executive director of the Alumni Association

Ann will be back at the helm of the Alumni Association before the beginning of the 1993-94 academic year.

#### **Recapping Reunions and Special Events**

#### **Career Information Fair**

Alumni met with current Stony Brook students on April 14 to give advice about career paths. Participants were Diane Orens '66, Charles Backfish'66, Sandy Hornick'70, Mary Faith Healy'75, Barry Seidel'78, Marc Newmark '80, Jim Doyle '83, Jeff Corrigan '85, and Brian Marino '89.

#### Labor/Management Studies

A mix of old friends and new career ideas was on tap April 20 when more than 60 alumni, faculty, guests and friends met for the first Alumni Reunion Dinner of the Center for Labor/Management Studies at the Harriman School for Management and Policy.

The event, held at the University Club on campus, featured a panel discussion on career opportunities on Long Island. Afterwards, alumni were invited to Harriman Hall for a discussion of workplace issues.

Career panelists were Glen Russo, manager of labor relations, Macy's; Robert D'Angio, manager of personnel and labor relations, Brookhaven National Laboratory; Catherine Szency, director of information services, USB Health Sciences Center; Anita DeSantis, human resource specialist, Dreyfus; and Dianne Rulnick, USB director of human resources.

The panel on workplace issues was moderated by Harold Pryor, former labor leader, Long Island Railroad, who teaches at Stony Brook's School of Continuing Education. Panelists were John De Gregorio, regional director, New York State United

treasurer, Nassau-Suffolk Building Trades Council; and Lisa Mars, vice president for personnel, Computer Associates.

#### Lacrosse

On May 1, lacrosse alumni gathered for their annual get-together. About 25 former players participated in the game, which went into overtime! Following that, the alumni moved to Patriot Field to watch Stony Brook Lacrosse lose to Navy. Next came a reception at the Park Bench. The day was topped off by the VIP Hall of Fame induction, which included Frank Ross, founder of USB lacrosse.

A fall lacrosse alumni event is planned in conjunction with Homecoming on Saturday, October 30. The

Teachers; Jack Kennedy, secretary- day will kick off at 11 a.m. with an alumni match and tailgate parties before and after the USB football game (Patriots vs. Western Connecticut).

> If you missed the spring reunion and want to be included in the future, please call the Alumni Office at (516) 632-6330 or Assistant Lacrosse Coach Brian McCormack at (516) 632-7242.

#### **Mission to Planet Earth**

Fifty alumni and family members joined for a "space journey" at the Marine Sciences Research Center (MSRC) on May 1, to learn about environmental challenges faced by China, Africa and the U.S. Long Island issues were explored in extra depth. A special lunch capped the morning. Thanks go to Jerry Schubel, director of the MSRC, for preparing the event.

## **New Scholarships Established**

ecause Stony Brook is a state-assisted institution and cannot directly accept private funds, all private giving must be through the Stony Brook Foundation, the official fund-raising and private gift-receiving agency for the university. Questions about private giving at Stony Brook should be directed to Carole G. Coben, president of the Stony Brook Foundation and vice president for University Affairs, Room 330, Administration Building, (516) 632-6300.

#### Patricia E. Herman Award

Seymour and Frances Herman of Bayside, Queens, recently pledged to give the university \$10,000 over the next three years to endow an undergraduate scholarship in memory of their daughter, Patricia E. Herman, who died in an automobile accident last fall.

The Patricia E. Herman Award will be presented annually to a junior or senior majoring in political science who has an interest in urban planning and/or environmental issues. The award will be given to a student who has produced a paper of significant originality and insight on urban planning or the environment and who has a 3.0 grade point average or higher in political science courses. Herman Scholars will receive a minimum cash award of \$500.

"Patricia was very interested in urban planning issues, particularly the environment," says Seymour Herman. "We felt a scholarship would be a worthwhile way to help other students who share her concern for these issues."

Patricia Herman worked for 15 years at the Long Island Regional Planning Board. As the senior planner, she was involved in economics, land use, and the environment issues, particularly in issues involving the Pine Barrens.

"Patricia was a dedicated planner who came up with innovative solutions to complex issues," says Pearl Kamer, chief economist at the Long Island Regional Planning Board. "This scholarship is an appropriate tribute to her because Long Island as well as the nation will need more well-trained urban planners in the coming years to stimulate economic growth in ways that are good for the environment."

To contribute to the Herman Scholarship Fund, call the Stony Brook Foundation at (516) 632-6536.

#### Philbert D. Hill, P.E. Scholarship

Phyllis Hill-Slater of New Hyde Park, NY, president of Hill Slater, Inc. of Deer Park, NY, recently pledged a \$500 annual scholarship to the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

The award, the Philbert D. Hill, P.E. Scholarship, will be presented annually to a first year, African American student from New York State on the basis of academic potential and financial need. Hill-Slater named the scholarship in memory of her father, one of the first African Americans to own an engineering firm in the metropolitan New York area. Stony Brook will use the award to encourage more African American students to pursue careers in engineering.

"My father always told our family just how lucky we were to have a college education and that we should help others in our community to get an education," says Hill-Slater. "This scholarship is a tribute to my father's efforts and his desire to help others achieve this important goal."

"Stony Brook is committed to helping more women and minorities pursue engineering careers," says Yacov Shamash, dean of the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences. "This scholarship is very important to us because it will help us attract and support more minority students."

Hill Slater, Inc., an engineering and architectural support systems firm established in 1984, is owned and operated entirely by women and members of minority groups.

Kyan Johnson, a freshman majoring in biochemistry, is the first recipient of the Philbert D. Hill, P.E. Scholarship.

#### Patrick W. Warner Award in Economics and Applied Mathematics

Alumnus Patrick Warner '74 (M.S., Economics) has given the university \$10,000 to establish an undergraduate student award.

The award, known as the Patrick W. Warner Award in Economics and Applied Mathematics, will be presented each spring to a junior majoring in economics or applied mathematics and statistics to recognize outstanding academic achievement. Students applying for the award will be judged on

an independent study project from which a paper of significant originality and insight is submitted. The recipient will receive a \$500 award.

"My Stony Brook education was challenging and demanding and was beneficial to my professional career," says Warner,

Patrick Warner

who, as a production buyer at Ford Motor Company in Detroit, negotiates contracts and prices of automobile parts with outside companies.

"I hope this award will encourage future Stony Brook students, particularly African American students, to pursue advanced degrees in economics or applied mathematics," he says.

"The independent study project is an important element of our undergraduate programs because it encourages students in economics or applied mathematics to explore issues of interest to them in greater depth," says William Dawes, director of undergraduate studies in the Department of Economics. "Patrick Warner's contribution will support this valuable learning experience and allow us to recognize students who have demonstrated outstanding scholarly work."

Warner, who earned his master's degree in economics in 1974, lives in Birmingham, Michigan, with his wife, Betty. He has three sons: Patrick, Jr., 27, Darryl, 25, and one-year-old Christian.

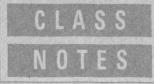
#### Maintenance Man Creates \$1 Million Scholarship Fund

Got your attention, didn't we? Why not a maintenance man? Why not a secretary? Or an accountant, attorney or any other person, for that matter?

The Stony Brook Foundation does not have many million-dollar benefactors lining up to hand over seven figure donations. However, we do have thousands of generous alumni willing to do what they can to help. If you are able to give \$100, \$1,000 or more each year, you are an integral part of the giving program.

What you may not realize is that you also have the potential to create a headline like the one above, with yourself as the donor. Many people are discovering the magic of life insurance as a means of philanthropy. If you donate a life insurance policy and make the Stony Brook Foundation owner and beneficiary, that \$1 million endowment is not out of reach. By continuing your present gifts and adding whatever extra is needed to maintain a donated insurance policy, you can make a lasting difference to the university.

Perpetuity is not only for the wealthy. Anyone with a vision can make this dream come true. Please contact Sharon Quinn at the Stony Brook Foundation Office for more information. Her number is (516) 632-8625.



#### ♦ 1963

#### SAVE THE DATE ! 30th Reunion is October 30.

#### **♦** 1965

June (Kelly) Fait says retirement is great! She works with HIV positive people as a volunteer massage therapist. June lives in Long Beach, NY.

#### **4** 1967

John J. DiNiro has been promoted to senior vice president in New York Life Insurance Company's disability income department. • Robert Gershon works for International Male fashion magazine. He lives in San Diego, CA. • Diane (Roth) Hart Gregory is a sales manager at Prudential Florida. She lives in Sarasota with husband, William. • Richard Koebele (G'72) is the principal of Shelter Rock Elementary School, which was recently recognized as a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the U.S. Department of Education. • Peter A. Torzilli is the director of the Laboratory for Soft Tissue Research, Hospital for Special Surgery, Cornell University Medical College, New York City. He lives in Stamford, CT. · Laura Tillis Weiss is the branch manager of Brink's Home Security in Miami, FL. Her son, Adam, is a junior majoring in physics at Harvard University, and her daughter, Lindsay, is a junior in high school and a champion debater. Laura lives in Plantation, FL.

#### **♦** 1968

#### SAVE THE DATE ! 25th Reunion is October 30.

Rolf Fuessler has owned his own marketing and communications firm for the past nine years. Called the Fuessler Group, it is based in Boston, MA. He spends a lot of weekends at his farmhouse in Maine. • John P. Gatchel is the bank examiner for the State of New Mexico. He writes that the Albuquerque-Rio Rancho area has really grown since his arrival in 1975. • Pam Ryan Leitman is an ESL teacher who teaches newly arrived immigrants from India. These children range in age from 7-12 years and speak Gujarati as their native language. She and husband, Bob '67, live in Aberdeen, NJ, with their daughter, Margot, a high school freshman. Their son, Greg, is a freshman at Northwestern University studying film and media. • Christine E. Long moved to Virginia in 1988, after teaching high school art on Long Island for 19 years. She now teaches in Prince William County, VA. • Carol Schwartz Merrill is an ESL teacher in New York City. She and her husband will be moving to New Jersey soon. • Antonia Quintana Pigno is a Spanish instructor at Kansas State University and a poet who has been published in national and international literary magazines. Three of her books were published by the Zauberberg Press, and her poetry appears in the anthology After Aztlan. A poetic essay about the south valley of Albuquerque is scheduled to appear in a collection of essays published by the University of New Mexico Press. She was also a finalist in the Barnard New Women Poetry Series in 1991. Antonia lives in Manhattan, KS, with her husband, Louis (G '69). • Martin Sokolowski just completed 15 years of service with Mobil Research and Development Corporation. He is now manager of contracts in the Dallas Exploration and Production Engineering Division of Mobil's Engineering Department in Dallas, TX. Martin lives in Plano with his wife and three sons. He writes that, from time to time, he gets to travel to some interesting places working for Mobil - most recently to Nigeria. • Helen (Heller) Weingust is an educational evaluator for the New York City Board of Education. She lives in Staten Island, NY, with husband, Stephen. Their daughter, Lara (21), is a senior majoring in business at University of Maryland-College Park, while son, Scott (18), is a pre-med major at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. • Howard Zern is senior vice president and Southwestern Region manager for Shawmut Bank, Connecticut. He is reponsible for 46 retail branch offices employing 600 people. Howard is a director of the Connecticut Combined Health Appeal and a trustee of the Emanuel Synagogue. He and his wife, Dr. Hilary E. Freedman, reside in West Hartford, CT, with their daughter, Abigail.

#### **♦ 1969**

Anthony Cardace writes that January 1993 marked 25 years of federal service for him as a civilian employee of the U.S. Department of Defense. In December 1992, he and his wife celebrated the first birthday of their daughter, Allison. Anthony says the family looks forward to visiting USB later this year to see all the changes and additions they've heard so much about. He lives in Ellicott City, MD. • Ann Rosenberg Cole is a programmer and president of her local water board. She is married with three children and lives in Tillson, NY. • Robert J. Stahl lives in Houston, TX, and is involved in environmental issues. His primary focus is lead poisoning in children and the abatement of lead paint from housing units. Robert is also president of the Greater Houston Chorus, a 100-member, nonprofit, volunteer choral group.

#### 1970

Attention, members of the Class of 1970. A man's class ring bas been turned in to the Alumni Association. The initials inscribed appear to be "FRA." Please call (516) 632-6330 to claim your ring.

Julian Chernick lives in Bel Air, MD, with wife, Patty, and children, Nicole (16) and Jared (14). He has

been employed since 1970 with U.S. Army Material Systems Analysis Activity, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD. Julian is chairman of the Smart Munitions Working Group, Joint Technical Coordinating Group and chief of the Fire Support Integration Section, AMSAR. • Michael R. Fetterman completed his dermatology residency in January 1993. He is a dermatologist and family practioner in Deerfield Beach, FL. • John and Toba (Fahrer) Hartmann live in Seaford, NY, with their children, John (16), Andrew (14), Paul (11), Karin (9) and Valerie (9). John is chief of operations in the New York District of the Army Corps of Engineers. Toba is a teaching assistant in the Seaford Public Schools. In their free time, John is president of Local Midget Football, a football referee and assistant scoutmaster; Toba is president of Seaford Harbor PTA and is active with Boy Scouts and Brownies. • Prescott Jennings, Jr. retired in June 1992 after two decades as chairman of the History Department, Portledge School, Locust Valley, NY. • Richard E. Kummer is a partner in the law firm of Kummer, Knox and Naughton in Parsippany, NJ, where he practices commercial and environmental law. • William Meehan is currently on leave from the U.S. Customs Service and is attending the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Fort McNair, Washington, DC. • John O'Brien is director of engineering for ACC, a 110-person internetworking company, where he manages 40 engineers. John and wife, Marsha, live in Santa Barbara, CA. • Robert Dean Schamberger is still working for the High Energy Physics group in the Physics Department at USB. • Diane R. Schulman is chair of the Chemistry Department at Erie Community College. She also coordinates the college honors program. Her husband, Edward, is chair of Chemistry at Buffalo State College. • Jeanne Zammataro graduated from Northwestern Law School in 1973 and has practiced continuously since then. She is currently a tax lawyer for Phoenix Home Life. Jeanne married Ira Zucker in 1978 and they have two children, Sara (11) and David (8). Jeanne and her family live in Avon, CT, and enjoy skiing in their free time.

#### **4** 1971

Esther Globman Altman works at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in Management and Organization Development. She lives in Pleasantville, NY, with her husband. • Sandra Baresic works for NYNEX and lives in New York City. She travels extensively, and has visited Bali, Java, Thailand and Australia. • Michael Barrett is a teacher at William Floyd High School and lives in Sayville, NY, with his wife, Eileen, who is assistant to the purchasing director of the Town of Islip. Their son, David, is a CPA who graduated from Marist College in 1988; *Continued on page 24* 

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daughter Allison received a BS in economics and finance from the University of Richmond in 1990; daughter Melissa is a junior majoring in art at Virginia Tech. • **David Cantor** works for William M. Mercer, Inc. where he does actuarial consulting for corporations regarding retirement and ESOPS. He and his wife, Janice, and daughter, Aviva, recently relocated from Boston, MA, to Charlotte, NC. David occasionally meets **Dennis Newman '70** to compete at a bridge tournament. • **Robert Cohn** lives in Coral

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Springs, FL, with his wife, Marilyn, and two children, Meredith (14) and Allison (12). After USB, Robert received a master's degree in urban planning from New York University and has worked as a city planner, planning director and planning consultant in Florida for the past 15 years. He started his own consulting firm a year ago and was recently appointed to the Coral Springs Planning and Zoning Board. • Dennis J. Early resides in New York City and has been investing in the energy industry since 1977. He publishes research on energy companies. • Howard Farber and his wife, Mary Carol, celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary in May 1993. He works as project manager in data processing at Trans Union Corporation and teaches data processing at Elmhurst College. • Barbara Smith Fontes is a system/high school librarian in Marlborough Public Schools. She lives in Natick, MA. • Lawrence Fox was recently elected to fellowship in the American Academy of Pediatrics. He lives in Columbia, MD. • Bruce Gabow has been teaching second grade in Aspen, CO, for six years. He and his wife, Deborah, had their first child, Kyra, in July 1992. • Andrew Kramer and his wife, Nancy, live with their two daughters in West Palm Beach, FL. Andrew is the owner of a computer mail order business. • Wendy L. Palu Kusik is a real estate agent with Clark Associates. She is also active with housing and

fitness programs for the elderly. Wendy and her husband, Charles, live in Lincoln, MA, and enjoy mountain biking, skiing and traveling. • Harvey Orenstein is married with two children and lives in Staten Island, NY. He has been practicing chiropractic in Brooklyn for 12 years. • Connie Gardiner Sharp has a private psychotherapy practice. In her spare time, when she's not doing Buddhist meditation (VIPASSANA), she takes care of her five-year-old son, Aaron. Her husband, Burt, is a physician specializing in neuroendocrinology and head of the endocrine section at Hennepin County Hospital. They live in St. Louis Park, MN. • Stuart Wecker was elected an IEEE Fellow for his contributions to computer network architecture and computer communication protocols. He lives in Sudbury, MA.

#### ♦ 1972

G. Christopher Boucher is ADP systems manager for National Marine Mammal Laboratory. He lives in Brier, WA, with his wife and two children, Derek (8) and Maia (3). • Vince Ceccacci has been promoted to the department chairmanship of the Disabled Student Service Program at San Diego Community College. • Stuart Dornfield is owner and creative director of one of Miami's largest advertising agencies. His most recent campaign for Office Depot can be seen on national cable television stations throughout the U.S. • William J. Jelley practices general dentistry in North Bellmore, NY. He is married with two daughters, ages 10 and 12. • Morton L. Glaser is the chief of pulmonary medicine at St. Charles Hospital in Port Jefferson, NY. He and his wife, Susan, live in Setauket with their two children. • Philip A. Jackson designed and implemented a waste management program which received the NY Council of Mayors award for Local Government Achievement. He is currently coordinating the restoration of the Beacon Waterfront and the conversion of an old incinerator into a modern transfer system. Philip lives in Beacon, NY. • Frank Oleksy is the science department chairperson in the Clarkson School District. He and his wife, Carol, live in Suffern, NY, with their three children, Mary (17), Christine (14) and Mark (11). • Regan Rockhill recently joined Coopers and Lybrand CPAs in Washington, DC, as director of Litigation Services. He advises attorneys and businesspeople on the financial aspects of disputes. • Rhonda (Phillips) Seligmann is a budget analyst for the Suffolk County Department of Public Works in Yaphank, NY. She lives in Old Bethpage with her husband, David, and two sons, Marshall and Lee. • Rhona and Neil Stein live in Maplewood, NJ, with their two children. Rhona is a biochemist at the Center for Molecular Medicine in Newark and Neil is president of Instruments, SA Inc., an analytical instrumentation firm. • Brenda (Lawton) Veal is an

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assistant professor of mathematics at the Community College of Du Page. She lives in Downer's Grove, IL, with her 16-year-old son, Glenn. • Gary Wishik practices entertainment law in Beverly Hills, CA.

#### **♦** 1973

#### SAVE THE DATE ! 20th Reunion is October 30.

Kenneth W. French has been a professor of mechanical engineering at John Brown University in Siloam Springs, AR, for 22 years. He and his wife, Ruth, have three sons, ages 20, 17, and 15. • Ronni Fox lives in Boca Raton, FL, with her husband, Dr. Mack Harrell. They have three children, Ashley (12), Evan (9) and Alex (6). Ronni plays lots of tennis and does volunteer work at the kids' schools. • Stephen Kalberg has been named an assistant professor of sociology at Boston University's College of Liberal Arts. He lives in Brookline, MA. . Jeffrey B. Keir lives in Lanham, MD, and is active regionally in youth affairs. He has been a Big Brother to six boys since 1976. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Big Brothers of the National Capital Area, Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club, Inc. and Youth Services Alliance, Inc. He is also past commissioner and vice chair of Prince George's County Commission for Children and Youth. • Mitchell S. Kraft is a city attorney for Tamarac, FL. He and his wife, Stephanie, and two-year-old daughter, Kimberly, are enjoying life in Broward County. • Steven Largo is principal of Pine View School, Florida's only public school for intellectually gifted students, grades 2-12. • Irwin and Leslie (Epstein) '74 Leventhal are celebrating the Bar Mitvah of their eldest son, Joshua. They live in New City, NY, with Joshua and his brothers, Adam and Matthew. • Barry R. Levine is a principal hydrogeologist and manager of the Geosciences Division, southeastern region, for Ecology and Environment, Inc. He, his wife, Peggy, and their daughter, Simone, live in Tallahassee, FL. Barry asks that Jan Kaplan '74 please call or write, as he has lost your address and phone number! . Jeffrey A. Marshall practices in the law firm of Marshall, Conway and Wright in New York City. The 12-attorney firm concentrates on insurance defense litigation. • Mary E. Negris is a program specialist with the Florida Department of Education. • Raymond Osborne is an associate professor of English at Herkimer County Community College. He lives in Ilion, NY. • Peter Papazian lives in Golden, CO, with his wife, Vivian, and two daughters. • Lorri Aarte Prince is married with three children and lives in Glen Cove, NY. • Roberta Sherlock has been teaching French for 19 years in Sayville High School, Sayville, NY. • Paul J. Stoller has been promoted to vice president at Camp Dresser and McKee, an international environmental consulting engineering firm. • Linda (DeMattia) Underwood is the director of continuing education for Schodacle Central School

District and works as a correspondent for the *Record Newspaper* in Troy. She lives in the village of Castletonon-Hudson, NY, with her two children, Brant (9) and Gwenn (5). • **Karen Van Dover** is a contributing writer and member of the Master Teacher Board for Prentice Hall Literature. • **David Wurcel** is director of finance at Yale New Haven Hospital in New Haven, CT. He lives in Hamden, CT, with his wife, Jill, and their three children.

#### 1974

Sanford Bernstein is a professor of biology and director of the Molecular Biology Institute, San Diego State University. He lives in San Diego, CA, with his wife, Laurel, and their son, Daniel. • John Christopher Gallo was selected to be 1991 New York State recipient of the Christa McAuliffe Fellowship. This award is bestowed annually by the U.S. Department of Education to an outstanding teacher in each of the 50 states. John is married, has four children and is currently a social studies teacher at Smithtown High School. • Richard Friedman is an associate professor of psychiatry and psychology, and director of behavioral medicine and psychological services in the Department of Psychiatry and School of Medicine at USB. • Sheryl Tansman Goldberg is married, has three children and lives in Baldwin Harbor, NY. She received her MPA from New York University in 1977. • Andrea Nussbaum Leeds is a pediatrician. She lives in Bellmore, NY, with her husband and four children. • Robert C. Pelham has been appointed managing director at T.R. Winston and Company, a publicly traded "boutique" investment banking firm. • John J. Powers is a Lt. Colonel in the U.S. Air Force and the senior attorney for the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Law Center. He has lived in Tucson, AZ, for nearly a year. • Steven R. Roth has joined Wellmark Healthcare Services, Inc. of Portsmouth, NH, as a medical liaison. Dr. Roth will lead the clinical team for Wellmark, which provides hospital-level rehabilitation services to patients in their own homes.

#### **♦** 1975

Robert F. Cohen is now an attorney, having been admitted to practice in California in November 1992. His memberships include State Bar of California, Los Angeles County Bar Association, Lawyers for Human Rights and American Civil Liberties Union. Robert's solo practice concentrates on estate planning and consumer law. He lives with his significant other of nine years, Patrick Kahill, a public school education teacher. Robert writes that he would like to hear from USB alumni in California. • Jennie T. Kourakos (G '79) is an officer at Bank America International in New York City. • Bruce Roy Moore is a vertical alignment specialist. He lives in Bellerose, NY. • Cynthia Woolbright is director of the Alumnae Fund for the Alumnae Association of Smith College. She writes that she recently changed positions and finds she enjoys development and alumnae work!

#### **4** 1976

Merryl Bushansky recently bumped into Dave Bernard at the West Palm Beach Airport over Christmas. They didn't have much time to chat as they were both looking for lost friends and relatives. Merryl just finished a two-year stint as secretary of the New York Association of School Psychologists. • Fern Cohen is an account executive for Ladeco Chilean Airlines. She is studying at New York University for an MS in Travel and Tourism Management. • Michael Crespi is a manufacturing engineer in the electronics industry. He recently left Long Island and is now living in Lisbon, NY. • Deborah Drumm is president of Good Help, Inc., which manufactures "Ther-A-Hoop," a new product for physical therapy, occupational therapy and rehabilitation and fitness. · John Drury is an associate professor of English at the University of Cincinnati. His poems have appeared in The New Republic, Poetry, Hudson Review, Shenandoah, Western Humanities Review and in a collection, The Strong Ghost. In 1991, Writer's Digest Books published his textbook, Creating Poetry. John lives in Cincinnati, OH, with his wife and son. • Anne Finkelman lives in Lawrenceville, GA, with her husband, Paul, daughter, Kate, and son, Jake. • Frank Gradilone III co-authored AMR for the Water Industry. • Linda Oster Safier is program director in a residential program for the disabled. She lives in New City, NY, with her husband, Stuart, and their two children. Her message: Cheryl, Big and Little, wherever you are, HELLO! . Robert Rosenberg and his wife, Hope, moved to Miami in 1978. He started "Swings N'Things," a playset and playground company which he owns and runs. They have a son, Jonathan, and in their spare time are involved with Optimists International and youth sports programs. • Francis H. Scifo has joined United States Trust Company as a vice president. He is an attorney in the General Counsel Division. Prior to that, Francis was a vice president and general counsel at Union Savings Bank for five years. • Leslie Shedlin is married to David Raim and lives in Bethesda, MD, with children Jacob (7) and Sam (3). She is an attorney in private practice and an adjunct professor of law at George Mason Law School. • Quentin Smith is an assistant professor in the departments of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Community Medicine at Baylor College of Medicine. His current efforts are focusing on health care reform, particularly as it affects people with disabilities. Quentin lives in Houston, TX. • Kenneth A. Stephen is an account agent with Allstate Insurance and has recently been appointed

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Karel Amaranth '70, B.A., English But What Can You Do with a Major in English?

Karel Amaranth's career has followed unconventional paths, but they've brought her to one interesting destination after another. Her current title is executive director and CEO of the Women's Action Alliance, a notfor-profit, national organization based in New York that is dedicated to empowering women.

Aftermajoring in English at Stony Brook, she taught preschool in New Brunswick, NJ,

where she devised an innovative curriculum. When her first child, Kristin, was born, Karel started to take art courses at Montclair State College in New Jersey and pursued a master's degree in art therapy. She was impressed by the therapeutic value art had for people who were sick and began to work in the Bergen Pines County Hospital, creating and carrying out programs for terminally ill, disabled and psychiatric patients.

While writing her thesis, Karel served as a consultant for Presbyterian Senior Services, designing comprehensive home care programs for the terminally ill. From there, she worked as department director of Village Nursing Home, where her responsibilites included assessing patients, developing staff and community resources, and establishing therapeutic programs. The work involved administration, fund-raising and programming in addition to patient care, and with that experience, she was equipped for her next position: executive director of Selfhelp Community Services Home Attendant Corporation, a not-for-profit



Executive Director of the Women's Action Alliance Karel Amaranth

were women from Latina and African American backgrounds with little education and few resources of their own. She organized prenatal and mothering classes to help them with their own families, domestic violence prevention and intervention workshops, and other in-service training to improve the quality of their lives as well as their work.

This interest led her to apply for – and land – her position at the Women's Action Alliance last year. Among the alliance's programs are breast cancer awareness workshop, prenatal care, domestic violence, sexual harassment, and career networking.

In May, Karel was in Washington, DC, meeting with Hillary Rodham Clinton and others to help formulate the national health care policy, making sure that the needs of women would be met.

Karel lives in Closter, NJ, with her husband, Joel Baskin, and their three-year-old daughter, Alexandra. Her eldest daughter, Kristin, works for ATT, and Kierra is entering her sophomore year at SUNY Binghamton.

to the City of Phoenix Human Services Commission. • Peggy T. Wagner is director of community development and planning, City of Fairfax, VA. She is married to Charles R. Wagner, former director of Facilities Planning for USB and George Mason University. Their three sons, Eric, Christopher and Timothy, are all married and living in Virginia. She has one granddaughter, Alexandra, and another grandchild was on the way when she wrote.

#### **♦** 1977

agency that provides home care to

vices from 1985-1992, Karel su-

pervised a staff of about 500, main-

tained client satisfaction, managed

a budget that grew to \$12 million,

and developd training videos for

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Social Services.

Betty Bass recently retired from the Suffolk County Department of Social Services, where she was a caseworker. She lives in West Islip, NY, and enjoys travel, music, jewelry-making and continuing her education. • Janet S. Distler is a full-time artist who does acrylic semi-abstract expressionist paintings of animals and plants. She lives in East Patchogue, NY. · Jeanne Greco and James F. Jacobs '78 have been married for 11 years and are living in Malverne, NY, with their two sons, Daniel, (5) and Benjamin, (3). Jeanne is an attorney practicing with Ruskin, Moscou, Evans and Faltischek, PC, in Mineola. James runs his own executive recruiting firm, Sales Consultants of Nassau. • Eric and Marcia Kessler live in New Rochelle, NY, with their two sons, Jason and Brandon. Eric has been president of HBO Video, a division of Home Box Office, since 1989. Marcia is an attorney with The First Boston Corp. • Martin P. Kornett is a senior engineer with Raytheon Company-Microelectronics. He lives in Melrose, MA, with his wife and son, Joshua, age 17 months. • Lee (Herbstman) and Leslie ('76) Lew live in Ardsley, NY, with their three children. Their latest addition, Audrey Frances, was born November 26, 1992. • Sheldon Lippman is a pediatrician in private practice and an attending pediatrician at Maimonides Medical Center. He is married to Marie Lippman, a child psychiatrist. They live in East Rockaway, NY, with their children, Andrew (6) and Arielle (4). • Richard Strauss has completed the requirements for a doctorate in science education and graduated from the University of Virginia in May 1993. • Judith Tyne is the new job director for Corporate Training at Hofstra University's University College for Continuing Education. She lives in East Setauket, NY. • Allan and Jocelyn (Dunford) Weissman continue to reside in Maryland with their children. They are scientists with the National Cancer Institutes/National Institutes for Health.

#### **4** 1978

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Annette M. Barbaccia is director of the Environmental Assessment and Review Division of the New York City Department of City Planning. She directs the preparation and review of environmental impact

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statements for private companies and publications within the city's jurisdiction that require environmental quality review. Some major projects include: Riverside South, Brighton-by-the-Sea and the City's Waterfront Text Amendments. Annette lives in Flushing, NY. • Ted Clark is a member of the Department of Medical Microbiology at the College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Georgia, where he directs a nationally advertised program in Molecular Biology for veterinary researchers. • James P. Deegan is a school social worker at Sewanhaka High School. He is also an associate professor at Suffolk County Community College. James is married, has three children and lives in Wading River, NY. • Marc Emmerich lives in the Boston, MA, area with wife, Anne, and daughter, Adrienne, who was born in May 1992. After completing a residency in internal medicine and a fellowship in developmental disabilities, Marc now cares for adults with developmental disabilities. • Barry L. Fox was promoted to assistant vice president at Prudential Securities in the Equity Research Department. • Frances Graham writes the "Remsenburg and Speonk" column for the Hampton Chronicle, a weekly newspaper. • Lynn Roher Gordon writes that after 11 years as a magazine editor, she now helps to run a publisher's rep firm with her husband, Josh, on a part-time basis while raising their three-year-old daughter, Laura, full time. She reports that her day has 36 hours! • Virginia V. Hlavsa recently published two books of poetry. Squinnied for a Sign and Festillifes. She lives in Bayside, NY. • James S. Kats, a West Islip attorney in private practice, was honored by the Suffolk County Bar Association in February for exceptional pro bono work, representing indigent clients. He received the New York State Bar Association's President's Pro Bono Award, its highest tribute, for similar efforts in 1986. • Mel Kloor was recently selected for promotion to the rank of lieutenant colonel. He is a counterintelligence officer and is stationed in Fort Huachuca, AZ. • Matthew Lake works for a medical instrumentation firm where he develops biomagnetometers. He and his wife live in San Diego, CA, and have two very active boys. • Jim Mulvey recently moved to Hershey, PA, and works as an account executive with Unisys Corporation, where he deals with the Pennsylvania state government. Jim has been married for eight years and has two boys, ages two and four. • Allison Quets is the manager of quality appraisal and assessment for Martin Marietta Specialty Components in Largo, FL. • Louis and Marianne (Springer) '85 Scannura live in Springfield, IL. Louis is a dentist, specializing in oral and maxillo-facial surgery. He is also a part-time clinical instructor at the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. Marianne is a nursing instructor in the RN programs at MacMurry College and Lincoln Land Community College. They have three children,

ages seven, five and two. • Steven Simon is a research scientist in the Department of Geophysical Sciences of the University of Chicago, doing research on meteorites. His daughter, Lindsay, just turned three. • Barbara (Kasson) Sinovsky lives in Carmel, NY, with her husband and two children, Adam (10) and Nicole (9). • Marie T. Smyth works at Polaroid Corporation in Cambridge, MA. She has a five-yearold daughter and a three-year-old son who keep her very busy. • Jay D. Waxenberg was recently elected a partner at Proskauer Rose Goetz & Mendelsohn. He lives in Briarcliff Manor, NY.

#### 1979

Mitchell Ackerson will be leaving active duty with the U.S. Army this June to become the director of the Department of Pastoral Care-Chaplaincy Services of Sinai Hospital in Baltimore, MD. • Steven G. Aldea is a programmer analyst of minicomputers in a supervisory position with Digital Equipment Corp. and the U.S. Office of Technology Assessment, Washington, DC. He lives in New York City. Last August, Steven traveled to Israel and toured the Old City of Jerusalem as well as the new Jerusalem and Israel Museum. • Stefni Rosett Bogard is a part-time faculty member in the Nurse Practitioner Program at George Mason University and an adult nurse practitioner at Georgetown University Hospital. She is the vice president of the Nurse Practitioner Association of Washington, DC. Stefni lives in Reston, VA, with her husband and 10-month-old son. • Anand Jagannath writes that he and his wife are enjoying their oneyear-old son, Andrew. Juggling their practices with the new addition is proving to be a challenge, but very satisfying. • Lloyd Levitt is a senior sales engineer working in telecommunications. He is happily married and lives in East Windsor, NJ. Lloyd and his wife are expecting their first child in July 1993. Jennifer Zenk-McManus is the director of rehabilitation services at Providence Hospital. She is married with one child and lives in Mobile, AL. . Darrell J. Minott was nominated to be Secretary of Labor by Governor Thomas Cerper of Delaware. His nomination was confirmed by the Delaware Senate in February 1993. Darrell lives in Wilmington, DE. • Alfred H. Scholldorf has worked for Reuters Information Services, Inc. since 1984. He was recently promoted to the position of director, GLOBEX Analysis and Planning. Alfred lives in Port Jefferson Station, NY. • Robert P. Sheehan works in contracts and procurement for IBM, Federal Systems Company on the Advanced Automation System Program for the FAA. He was married to Maureen O'Grady on October 11, 1992. • Mitchell Zahn lives in (and loves) the Bay Area, CA. He works as associate director of Aris Project, an AIDS service agency serving Santa Clara County. Mitchell writes that he is happily involved.

#### Michael V. Dukmejian '76 B.A., History

Sports Illustrated has a new director of sales development, and he's a Stony Brook alumnus.

Michael Dukmejian, most recently Time Inc.'s di-

position this past winter.



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Michael Dukmejian

In his new capacity, he is responsible for integrated sports marketing programs and value-added promotions.

rector of corporate marketing, was named to the new

After graduating with a degree in history, Michael earned an MBA from New York University Business School in 1980. He then worked for Time Inc. for about a dozen years, serving as director of new business development for *Time*, then as marketing director for *Fortune*, and in other related capacities.

Michael lives in Manhattan with his wife, Polly Botti, and their daughter Carolyn, who is three years old.

#### **♦** 1980

John Dante recently attained fellowship in the Society of Actuaries. He lives in Floral Park, NY. • Catherine (O'Connell) DiGennaro is a Spanish and Italian teacher at Candlewood Middle School in Dix Hills, NY. She lives in St. James, NY, with husband, Peter, and daughter, Katie (3). • Doris Falk moved to Plano, TX, in June 1992 and has a private practice in electrolysis. • Howard and Debra Feldman have three children and live in Silver Spring, MD. Howard is a partner in a major DC law firm, specializing in securities litigation. Debbie keeps busy raising their children. • Anne Kelly is the editor of a career guidance magazine, Woman Engineer for students and young professionals, and of Independent Living, a home health care magazine for persons with physical disabilities. • Lawrence B. Landman recently moved to Denmark. • Saul Lerner is in private practice in OB/GYN in Clearwater, FL. His wife, Vivian, is an anesthesiologist in Tampa, FL. • Ruth H. Linn is semiretired and works as an RN in

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### **Mary Ross Albanese '77** B.A., Art, Earth and Space Sciences, Environmental Studies Love Stories: Adopting Romanian Children

Six families from the Pacific Northwest were so moved by the plight of Romanian orphans that they decided to do something about it. Alumna Mary Ross Albanese has told their stories in To Romania, With Love (Fairway Press, 1992). She chronicles the struggles and triumphs of these families, and how they managed, after many frustrations, to adopt children who had known only neglectunder the Ceausescuregime. The book won second place in the

Mary Albanese with daughters Yvonne (9) and Amy (5).

Inspirational Writers Alive Contest in 1992.

To get started, Mary interviewed Kim Fast, one of the first Americans to adopt a Romanian child. Fast found the mission so important that she guit her job to help others pursue the same goal. Then, there was Deanna Pelinga, afraid that she would come home empty-handed, who returned from Romania with twins. Gala Millard came back from her journey in bitter failure, only to return to Romania a month later and claim the child she couldn't forget.

Mary says, "Every time a frightened, lonely, homeless child finds acceptance and unconditional parental love, it is a quiet but major miracle."

for seven years and taught at the University of Fairbanks, before they relocated to Vancouver, Washington in 1987, where they now live. They have two daughters, Yvonne (9) adopted from Korea, and Amy (5), from Thailand. Mary is active with the national organization, Adoptive Families of America, and its local chapter. "My brother was adopted in the 60s from Korea, and that exposed me from an early age to the benefits of international adoption," she says.

Her current projects include television scripts comedies, science fiction and domestic dramas - and a yearbook about Thai adoptees, with photographs and updates on the children's adjustment to their new families.

appointed artistic administrator of the New York City Opera and is recipient of the Julius Rudel Award. He lives in New York City. • Susan Weinstein is in private practice in Buffalo, NY. Her husband is a professor of social work at SUNY and they have two children.

#### **♦** 1981

The book is being carried

After leaving Stony Brook,

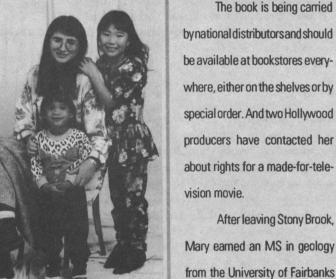
in Alaska, where she met her

husband, Tom. She worked for

the state of Alaska as a geologist

Robin (Ahlm) Abrahamsen was married to Gary in June 1990. She has been a field engineer for over 11 years at Paramax Corporation, a subsidiary of Unisys. She continues to support the Navigation System on the Trident Submarines. • Diane Atkinson is treatment coordinator at Sagamore/BOCES II Day Treatment Program in Smithtown, NY. • B.J. Chippindale writes: The wizard went to Oz (Oz=Australia) and returned after four years. The report: the country is beautiful; the people, intractable. It's a good place to retire. B.J. is now a senior engineer at ASDI in Oueens, NY, and is looking to move to California. • Mitchel Cohen is VP/Computer Systems Analyst for Bankers Trust Company. He and his wife, Debbie, live in Little Neck, NY. • Maureen P. Fonti graduated from Brooklyn Law School in 1992. She works at the family firm of Fonti and Fonti, Brooklyn, NY. • Lisa LaRosa and William '80 Haid live in New

York City and have a two-year-old son, Ryan. Bill works as an electrical engineer at NY Telephone. Lisa is a self-employed physical therapist. • Brian C. Horvath spent two years in Fairbanks, AK, after finishing medical school and residency. He is now finishing a cardiology fellowship at Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center in Aurora, CO. • Andrea Lannak was recently given a special award of recognition for her outstanding pro bono work for a client in a custody trial which lasted two weeks through the Pro Bono Project and through her service as a member of the 18-B Panel. • Joan Brecker LeRoy practices law in Philadelphia, PA. She and her husband, Robert, have two infant sons, Daniel and Jamie. • Joanna Lau received her MS in 1985 and MBA in 1991. She is married with two children and is currently running her own business in Andover, MA, with husband, Denis. • Noah Lipman is an attomey with a nationwide criminal litigation practice, representing individuals and corporations. Noah and his wife, Judith, have two children, Elizabeth (4) and Katie (6 months), and live in Linden, NJ. • Martha Vlasits Mikkleson is a supervisor in the electronic pre-press color department at Newsday. As an evening shift supervisor, she is responsible for daily deadline production of covers and sports pages for LI and NY editions of the paper. She writes that it is exciting and stimulating work with a team of talented and dedicated people. Martha recently completed course work for an MS in elementary education at Queens College. She is married and has two sons. • David Neidorf finished his family practice residency at York Hospital, York, PA, in 1984. He has been working in Medford, NJ, for eight and a half years in a large group model HMO. David and his wife, Jill, live in Cherry Hill, NJ, with their two children. • Owen M. Rumelt recently became a partner at Vladeck, Waldman, Elias & Engelhard,



a psychiatric facility. • Charles Thornton received a PhD in biochemistry from Case Western Reserve University in 1987. He is currently head of Vivology R & D for Maryland Medical Laboratory, Baltimore, MD. He has a two-year-old girl, Leah, and a second baby on the way. . Keith J. Viagas was recently

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specializing in employee benefits. He and his wife live in Hempstead, NY, and recently had a second child. • **Katharine S. Weitzel** went to Cyprus for a semester with the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program. Now she is back at work, trying out "whole language" techniques while teaching English as a second language. She lives in Kings Park, NY.

#### **4** 1982

Susan Bohen Bennett is married to a budget director at New York Life Insurance Company. She has two beautiful daughters, Kimberly (3) and Jennifer (1). • Lisa Blanck has gone horseback riding through Ireland, moved 100 cows through Wyoming, is president of her building and manages her company's educational outreach program. Lisa works for MTV/ Nickelodeon. • Susan (Bongiovanni) and Tim Cusack were married in 1989 and live in Monroe, NY, with their son, Ian Thomas. They write that they would like to see more new episodes of "The Ren & Stimpy Show." • Clifford and Robin (Wexler) '81 Krinsky live in New York City. Clifford is an RN and received an MBA in Marketing Management from Baruch College in January 1993. • William R. Leahy has been employed for the past 10 years as a cardiovascular perfusionist at St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center, Hartford, CT. • Barry Lowell is a practicing cardiologist in Morristown, NJ. • Dennis Jackson works for the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation on water pollution problems and is a member of departmental employee health and safety committees and the data sharing committee. He lives in Sayville, NY. • Barbara Vassino Parilla is an assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology in the section of maternal/fetal medicine at Northwestern University Medical School. She lives in Chicago, IL. • Jess Robinson is a program manager for the Federal Aviation Administration in Washington, DC. He and his wife, Nancy, live in Fairfax, VA, with their two dogs. • Janice V. Orshan is an associate attorney for the law firm of Joseph R. Attenito, which represents FSA on the USB campus. • Thomas White, Jr. represents the residents of the 28th Council District in New York City.

#### **♦** 1983

#### SAVE THE DATE! 10th Reunion is October 30.

Dean Abbott works at an independent pharmacy in Brooklyn as the supervising pharmacist. He was married in January 1993. • Leon Akl works as a senior systems engineer at Grumman. He lives in Bethpage, NY. • Barbara Bowen lives in Fairfax, VA, and works for Hughes Training, Inc. as a senior systems analyst on the UH-IN helicopter simulator. • Lawrence Eng has a private practice in dentistry. He lives in New York City. • Stuart Furman is a

dentist at a health care facility in downtown Hartford, CT. • Sam Hoff was recently promoted to associate professor and was awarded the Employee of the Year for Faculty Excellence in Research Distinction at Delaware State College. • Anne and Sean Kane have begun their fifth year of operation of the West Milford Physical Therapy Center in their hometown of West Milford, NJ. • April Schaller Peters lives in Selden, NY, with her husband, Steve, their two-year-old son, Jeffrey, and daughter, Meredith Christine, who was born in October. • Eileen Goydas '85 and Matt Rostock live in Jupiter, FL, with their two-year-old son, Tyler. A new arrival was expected in December. • Jonathan Rubin is finishing a residency in anesthesiology at Columbia-Presbyterian Hospital in NY. He and his wife, Diane, have a son, Jacob Aaron, who was born in October. Jonathan writes that he misses everyone! • Debbie (Cohen) Steger is a lactation consultant/registered nurse at St. John's Episcopal Hospital. She and her husband, Mitchel, live in Little Neck, NY, with their two sons, Jeremy (6) and Joshua (3). • Joanne Walcerz travels yearly to Poland to keep up with the wonderful friends she made during her initial '79 SUSB exchange student year. She is now strongly involved with the pro-choice movement, both in the U.S. and abroad. Her husband, Douglas, is an assistant professor of mechanical engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Joanne and Douglas have a four-and-a-half-year-old daughter, Marysia Leokadia. The family recently moved back to the U.S. after living in Cambridge, England, for two years. • Elaine E. Yost, a graduate of the physical therapy program, lives in Leesburg, VA.

#### **♦** 1984

Roxanne Cashdan is an attorney at Ross & Hadies in Chicago, IL. • Adam Klein sang the tenor role of "The Doctor" in Robert Ashley's contemporary opera, Don Leaves Linda, in Paris, November 1992. • Marcia Liss completed her postdoctoral fellowship from the Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan and is now employed as a staff psychologist at the National Rehabilitation Hospital in Washington, DC. • Tom Lucas is a Navy pilot currently assigned to VF-101 NAS Oceana, Virginia Beach, VA. He is flying the Grumman F-14 Tomcat. • Peter K. Norman is vice president of management information for Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce in New York City. • Robert Pfeffer is a contributing author for Developing Knowledge-Based Systems Using VP-Expert. He lives in Hollis, NY. • Lauraine Berlinquette Pittari received an MS in labor and industrial relations from NYIT in 1990. She relocated to Silicon Valley, CA, and is a human resources manager for GSS/Array Technology. • James P. Ray finished his PhD in biology at Washington University in 1991. He lives in St.

### Lisa Blanck '82 B.A., Psychology Bound for Florida

Last month Lisa Blanck '82 packed her bags and moved from New York City to Orlando, Florida.

eight years she's been

For the past



Lisa Blanck

working at MTV, recently serving as affiliate marketing coordinator for Nickleodeon and Nick at Night. Nickleodeon provides noncommercial educational programming, and Lisa worked with schools to put the materials into teacher's hands. "This is the first time that elementary schools have been 'cabled,'" she says. "The teachers are like sponges. Some of them say they don't even know how to program their own VCRs," but they soak up the new technology.

She plans to continue working in high tech media in Florida and is exploring jobs with the communications "superhighway," a cooperative project of Cablevision, Time Warner and others.

Reflecting on her college days, Lisa recalls the flight of a three-foot-long paper airplane launched in a History of Rock Music class, despite the professor's threat to fail the next person who threw one. Not to worry: the professor applauded the daredevil and he didn't fail.

Louis, MO. • Sheila Schulman-Korn is a pediatrician in private practice in Bellmore, NY. She gave birth to Elana Fae Korn in October 1992.

#### **♦** 1985

Stefanie Affronti is a fourth-year associate at the law firm of Stockfield, Fexler & Gulino and will be married on November 20, 1993. • Alan J. Cousins works for Dreyfus Service Corporation, where he handles financial analysis and system development

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Loyal to the Brook Or, What! Still Here?



### Paul Lombardo '73 B.S., Physician Assistant

Paul Lombardo was valedictorian of the first class that the School of Allied Health Professions graduated in its Physician Assistant (PA) Program in 1973. Except for a brief stretch working in patient care right after graduation, he's been here ever since.

The late dean of Allied Health, Edmund McTernan, called Paul the summer after he graduated and asked him to come back to Stony Brook as interdisciplinary coordinator. "I was always interested in an academic environment," Paul says, so he came. After serving as clinical coordinator for the PA program, he was appointed chair of the Department of Physician Education in 1985 – a position he still holds.

Between 1989-90, he served as president of the American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA). He's now director-at-large of the Physician Assistant Foundation – the philanthropic arm of the AAPA – and a member of the Accreditation Review Committee for Physician Assistant Programs of the AMA. And hewrote the chaper on clinical interviewing for the first comprehensive textbook published for PAs. He enjoys being a pioneer in his profession. When he started, there were about 500 PAs in the

United States. Now they number over 25,000.

for the Group Retirement Plans Division. • Mark Hager is a consulting engineer in the nuclear industry. He lives in Dunwoody, GA. • Vincent J. Izzo is a software engineer for Federal Systems Advanced Technology, a division of AT&T Bell Laboratories. He lives in Howard Beach, NY. • Cheryl Kelly recently became certified in inpatient obstetric nursing. She works in labor and delivery at Brookhaven Memorial Hospital Medical Center on Long Island. • Maria Collins is the associate hospital director and director of nursing at Wieler Hospital of Albert Einstein College in the Bronx, NY. She is also on the graduate program faculty at New Rochelle College and Adelphi University. • Theresa Krupski writes that life is wonderful. She likes her job, encounters no traffic and has the incredible Rocky Mountains for her playground. She lives in Aurora, CO. • Nicholas Lazaro was recently promoted to production test manager at Netrix Corp. He is also pursuing a graduate degree in engineering management at George Washington University in VA. • Karen Elson works at North Shore Hospital. She had a baby boy in May 1991. • Tony Mazze is an airline pilot for American Airlines. He recently separated from the Navy and is living in Arlington, TX. • Carol Pankiw is a marketing director and lives in New York City. • Domenico Pizzuto earned his PhD in December 1991 in experimental high energy physics. He currently has a postdoctoral position as a research associate with the Stony Brook High Energy Physics Group. • Joseph Rath was recently appointed to the faculty of the City University of New York. • Joseph Ruggiero and his wife, Jennifer, live in Naugatuck, CT, with their daughter, Christina. Joseph is a senior systems engineer at Dictaphone, Inc. He writes that his hobbies are hiking, cycling and dishwashing (!).

#### **4** 1986

Susan Spodek Berman married Dr. Russell Berman on February 3, 1993. She recently moved in New York City and is working as a private contractor physical therapist. • Thalia Bouklas, an actuarial assistant with Metropolitan Life Insurance, has been named an associate of the Society of Actuaries. • Joseph and Claudia Termini ('85) Cebollero live in Nanuet, NY. Joseph is a territory manager representative for pharmaceuticals with Wyeth Ayearst Labs. Claudia is a teacher. They have a son, Edward, and a daughter, Alexandra. • Yelleshpur Dathatri is a faculty member at SUNY Farmingdale. • Mark Derwin is a software quality assurance analyst for Information Builders. He bought a house in North Merrick last August and was married on October 18. • Sharon Doyle is a clinical nurse specialist with an MS in psychiatric/mental health nursing. She has a full-time private practice in psychotherapy in Stony Brook. Sharon works with individuals, couples and

groups on issues related to anxiety, depression, grief, stress reduction, bipolar disorders, addictions and eating disorders. She has lived in the Three Village area for 17 years and is married to a theoretical physicist at Brookhaven National Lab. • Jonathan '84 and Susan Gaska were married in March 1987 after meeting at USB. Jonathan is the City Manager of the Rockaways. Susan is a NYC school teacher. • JoAnn Gredell writes that her life is perfectly lovely, but there isn't anything particularly noteworthy to report at this time. • Vivian Benci and Saul Lerner got married in 1989 after meeting in their residency training program after both attended USB Medical School. They had their first baby (a boy) in May 1993. They love Florida and plan to buy a sailboat this year. • Lauren Faith Levine received her Doctor of Osteopathy degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in May 1992. • Lori Harris Manyevitch is a veterinarian at Smithtown Village Animal Hospital. She was expecting her first child in May 1993. • Lt. John J. McAvoy, USN, served on the Armed Forces Inaugural Committee, assisting in the ceremonies that ushered Bill Clinton into office. He is currently an intern with the Joint Chiefs of Staff. • Rebecca Mendelssohn is program director at Beach Y Jewish Community Center. She was recently engaged to Steven Gallanter and will be married in November 1993. • Jay Motola joined the East Hudson Urology Group and practices in Northern Westchester and Southern Putnam Counties. • Patricia Finnegan Pellegrino is director of nursing for quality improvement education at Southampton Hospital. She lives in Southampton, NY. • Valerie Hilicus-Pellegrino lives in Seattle, WA. Her daughter, Samantha, was born in June 1992. • Andrew Roher is an actuary at the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York in Purchase, NY.

#### 1987

Ginna Smith and Ed Gabalski live in Manhasset, NY. Ginna is a production supervisor working for the Estee Lauder Company. • Deborah G. Gruskin continues to practice as a bankruptcy attorney at Angel & Frankel, PC. She married John R. Ashmead in August 1992. • Deborah Johnson is self-employed as a pediatric physical therapist. Her husband, Eric Shank '85 is an anesthesiologist. They live in Port Jefferson, NY. • David M. Marlon is the director of operations for Sierra Health and Life Insurance. He is working and playing hard and has two classes left for his MA. He writes that he is doing a lot of business traveling, "attending many 'Dead' shows and missing the GSL. Call me if you're in Vegas!" • Jacqueline Podolsky Miller is the office manager for Howard Brokerage Corp. She and her husband, Stuart, recently bought a house in Brooklyn and had a baby boy, Joshua Ross, in May 1992. • William Rizzo is

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a senior client representative for ADP. He and his wife, Renee, live in Deer Park, NY, with their son, David William, who is 6 months old. • Leonora Sabatino is presently practicing as a certified nurse midwife in Charleston, SC. • Carole Weinberg had a one-woman art show, "Whimsicle World," at Jericho Library in March 1993. • Adrienne Williams is a legislative aide to councilman Thomas White, Jr. She lives in Bellerose, NY. • Andrea Brooks Young and Marcos Lopez were married in December 1992. Andrea is in her last year of coursework at Temple University's business school and is hoping to be A.B.D. by fall 1993. Marcos is involved with community projects when he's not working.

#### 1988

#### SAVE THE DATE! 5tb Reunion is October 30.

Craig I. Aronson recently opened his second office in general and cosmetic dentistry and received the Fellowship Award in July 1992 from the Academy of General Dentistry. Craig lives in Nanuet, NY. • Richard T. Baker works for the Upjohn Company. He is studying finance in Pace University's MBA program and plans to begin teaching next year. • Angelo Beltotti writes that he will always have fond memories of his years at USB and is proud and grateful that he got a strong foundation to build a career on. Angelo lives in Massapequa, NY. • Evelyn Marienberg is an instructor in the Department of Radiation Oncology at University of Miami, Jackson Memorial Hospital. She was recently engaged and plans a July wedding. • Melanie Brawn Mineo (Marrero) is trained in divorce and community mediation and is a mediator for the Community Mediation Center of Suffolk County. • Edwin Ramos works for the 485 Engineering Installation Group, located at Griffiss Air Force Base. He is about 90 percent finished on work toward his MS in electrical engineering from Syracuse University. • Bennye Reunae is an assistant supervisor and social worker for Catholic Charities. • Jonathon Stanger was married in October 1992 and received his master's degree in public policy from Georgetown University in May 1993. • Tom Triolo taught in California for three years, then moved back to his home state of Pennsylvania with his new bride, Chris. He is currently teaching math at Downington Junior High School in Downington, PA.

#### **♦ 1989**

Joseph Baugh just passed the NY and NJ State Bar Exams and is currently seeking suitable employment. • Kaushik Das received an MD in May 1993 from SUNY HSC at Brooklyn. • Nancy Gade graduated from New York University School of Medicine in May 1993. • Josee Laroche earned a pharmacy license in September 1992 and has been practicing at Genovese Drugs in Woodmere, NY. • Lucy Santana earned an MPA in 1991 at the Wagner School of New York University. Her specialization was financial management. Lucy is currently working for Louis Harris and Associates as a research associate.

#### 1990

Carol Anderson was recently engaged to Richard Schellinger and plans a September 1993 wedding. The couple will relocate to Philadelphia, PA. • John and Marie ('89) lacobellis live in Island Park. NY. John is an assistant store manager for a major retail chain. Marie graduated New York University Law School and passed the New York State Bar Exam. • Bryan Jaicks is an actuary in an insurance services office. When he's not studying for actuarial exams or working overtime, he likes to get out into the country for some hiking and nature photography. • Julie (Skala) Laisney teaches French at South Woods Middle School in Syosset, NY. She is working on her MA in French literature at USB. • Susan Paparello is a physical therapist at Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation. She lives in Staten Island, NY. • Andrew Ritchel is a financial analyst with the MTA. He recently became engaged to Suzann Dorer, a librarian at the Northport Public Library. • David Strong recently had an essay published in the book, Falling in Love With Wisdom. He lives in Billings, MT.

#### 1991

Brian D. Cameron is a mechanical design engineer at CVD Equipment Corporation in Ronkonkoma, NY. The company manufactures machines used in the production of semi-conductor wafers. Brian is responsible for the design and manufacturing schedule from the receipt of the work order until the machine is shipped to the customer. • Damiano J. Caroolo works for Photocircuits Corp. in Glen Cove, NY. The company manufactures printed circuit boards. Damiano is a manufacturing manager in charge of personnel, process and inventory of tools for the front-end process for the manufacture of P.C.B.s. He says, "It's a very, very exciting job. My degrees paid off! Thanks Stony Brook." . Kenneth S. Eng is a mechanical engineer with the U.S. Army's Edgewood Research, Development and Engineering Center. He works with other contractors to design armored vehicles. • Thomas Gahan is an insurance agent with Northwestern Mutual. He lives in Centerport, NY. • Marco Giamberardino is a legislative assistant. He graduated George Washington University with a Master of Public Administration in May 1993. He married Andrea Jeanne Herow in July 1991. • Marie-Ann Inguanti is a second-year student at New York Law School. • Thomas Kelly works for Sherwin Williams Corporation. He recently became engaged to Stacy Lyons. • Linda Rannazzi is the coordinator for the Breast Cancer Screening Center at Huntington Hospital. She lives in Dix Hills, NY. • Judith A. Saltzberg recently began a new job on the behavior therapy service at the Institute of Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia, PA. She also has an outpatient private practice. • Jacquelyn Smith works for TCI Cable of Brookhaven. She hopes to begin her master's in the fall of 1993. Jacquelyn lives in Port Jefferson Station, NY. • Richard J. Weiss is an ASIC software developer for Cadence Design Systems. He lives in Melbourne, FL.

#### **4** 1992

Jeffrey Bernstein is a graduate assistant for sports information at Keene State College. • Michael Chow is training to be a naval nuclear officer. • Sherwood Johnson has been named assistant to the dean for enrollment planning and management at USB. He was formerly director of financial aid and student employment at USB.

#### BIRTHS

Kathleen Gaye '81, and husband, Gene had their first child, Michelle Margaret, November 2, 1992. • Lisa Jane Dreznick '84 and husband Dr. Scott Waller, welcome Courtney Elizabeth, born November 28, 1992. • Aster Leitner '84, a daughter, Michelle, born April 11, 1992. • Gila Cohen '87 and Howard Shaw '86, a son, Jacob Marc, born June 1992. • Eric Gischner and wife, Jodi, a son, Joshua Aaron, born February 5, 1993.

#### DEATHS

Brian Reilly '87 (3/2/93).

#### ENGAGEMENTS

Tara Ann Bryant '85 (G '86) and Dennis J. Murtagh '80 (3/93). • Vincent Carrano '88 and Alicia Jay Papp (2/93). • Brian McClave '87 and Maureen Tully (2/93). • Dennis DeVito and Nancy Swift (2/ 93). • Krista Jespersen and John Treder (3/93). • Eric Levine '85 and Karen Levy (3/93). • Nancy Levine '89 and Nathaniel Dunford (3/93). • Mary Knox Weismann '78 and Mark Barton Lucy (3/93). • Christine Wolff '89 and Robert Schachter '89.

#### MARRIAGES

Evelyn Acevedo '90 to David Sideri (7/93). • Angela M. Boccio '81 (G '89) to Peter J. Smith (7/92). • Stuart Byrne to Dana Pan (11/92). • Jannette Cawley '91 to James Holmes (10/92). • Valerie Anne Marletti '89 to Douglas Lo Monte (1/93).





**The Flying Karamazov Brothers** 

#### THEATRE & PERFORMING ARTS

Staller Center for the Arts. 632-7230.

Friday, July 23: "A Night of Comedy with Ellen DeGeneres and Kevin Pollak." 8 p.m. \$20.

Sunday, July 25: The Wizard of Oz An American Theatre Production. 3 p.m. \$7.

Sunday, August 1: The Flying Karamazov Brothers present "Juggle and Hyde." 8 p.m. \$20.

Thursday-Sunday, September 30-October 3, October 7-10: An Italian American Reconciliation. A romantic comedy by John Patrick Shanley, author of Moonstruck. 8 p.m. \$8, \$6.

#### Homecoming Weekend:

**Thursday-Sunday, October 28-31:** *Silence! The Court is in Session.* A psychological thriller about an amateur theatrical group. 8 p.m. \$8, \$6.

Friday, October 29: "Blackstone!" Illusion and magic. 8 p.m. \$25, \$23.

#### **EXHIBITS**

Through Saturday, July 31: "Atelier 17 and the New York Avant-Garde, 1940-1955." 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday, Friday & Saturday (by appointment). Pollock-Krasner House and Study Center, 830 Fireplace Road, East Hampton. Call 324-4929.

Through Sunday, August 8: "Warren Brandt Retrospective." Paintings and works on paper by abstract expressionist Brandt, who shifted to realism in the 60s. Tuesday-Friday: noon-4 p.m.; Saturday: 5-8 p.m. University Art Gallery, Staller Center. Wednesday, September 1-Thursday, September 15: "Generations." Handbuilt figurative and vessel forms by ceramicist Wendy Tigchelaar. Monday-Friday, noon-4 p.m. Stony Brook Union Art Gallery.

**Tuesday, September 7-Saturday, October 23:** "John Ferren: Images from Nature." Abstract responses to nature, painted in the 50s. Tuesday-Friday: noon-4 p.m.; Saturday: 5-8 p.m. University Art Gallery, Staller Center.

#### DANCE

Staller Center for the Arts. 632-7230.

Saturday, July 31: "Momix," a contemporary dance/illusion company. 8:00 p.m. \$20.

#### MUSIC

Staller Center for the Arts. 632-7230.

Friday, July 23: "When the West Wind Blows." Music evoking birds, water, night sounds, etc. by Handel, Rameau, Couperin, Liszt, Schumann, Ravel, Bartok, Honneger and Messiaen. 8:30 p.m. \$15.

Saturday, July 24: "New Orleans Jazz Night," with the Dukes of Dixieland and singer Chris Calloway. 8:00 p.m. \$20.

Friday, July 30: "Songs of the Unsung." The Guild Trio performs music by Alma Mahler-Werfel, Rebecca Clarke and Clara Schumann, three important, but often neglected, women composers. 8:30 p.m. \$15.



#### **LECTURES & SEMINARS**

Wednesday, September 22: Sir Run Run Shaw Distinguished Lecture, "My Life as a Physicist," Hans A. Bethe, Cornell University. 11 a.m. Sponsored by the Institute for Theoretical Physics. Recital Hall, Staller Center for the Arts. Call 632-7979.

#### CONFERENCES & SPECIAL EVENTS

Monday, July 19-Friday, July 23: "The International Conference on Game Theory and Its Applications." Summer Institute in Game Theory and Economics. For details, call 632-7555.

Wednesday, July 28-Friday, July 30: "Game Theory and Computer Science Workshop." Summer Institute in Game Theory and Economics. Call 632-7555.

Wednesday, August 11: School of Continuing Education Open House. 10:30 a.m. Advice on late afternoon, evening and Saturday courses. Room S-102, Ward Melville Social & Behavioral Sciences. Call 632-7050.

#### **COMING SOON**

**Saturday, August 28:** Soccer Alumni Reunion on the soccer field. Game time is 1:00 p.m. For information, call Nick Sansom at (516) 632-7203.

**Saturday, September 11:** Alumni at Shea Stadium. Mets vs. Chicago Cubs. Game time is 1:40 p.m. For information and ticket orders, call Dick McNally at (718) 359-8477.

Tuesday, September 28: Alumni Night at Camden Yards Stadium. Baltimore Orioles vs. the New York Yankees.

Saturday, October 9: 30th Anniversary of Men's Varsity Soccer. Alumni game, 11:30 a.m. USB vs. Vassar, 2 p.m. Call Nick Sansom at (516) 632-7203.

#### **Yearbooks Available**

SPECULA has some extra yearbooks for the following years: '64, '65, '82, '84, '85, '86, '87, '89, '90, '91, '92.

Please call the SPECULA office at (516) 632-6453 or the Alumni Office at (516) 632-6330 if you'd like to purchase a copy (\$20).

### COME VISIT YOUR OLD HAUNTS! Homecoming Weekend

Overview

Friday, October 29 8:00 p.m. Harry Blackstone, Illusionist Staller Center for the Arts. \$25, \$23.

8:00 p.m. Silence! The Court is in Session Staller Center for the Arts. \$8, \$6. Also Saturday night and Sunday matinee.

Saturday, October 30

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Panel Discussion: "The Undergraduate Experience." Location to be announced.

Noon - 1:30 p.m. Distinguished Alumnus/Outstanding Professor Brunch. University Club

1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Football Game Patriots vs. Western Connecticut

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. 30th Reunion! Luncheon honoring the Class of 1963 Alliance Room, Frank Melville, Jr. Memorial Library

4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Departmental reunions

6:30 - 11:00 p.m. 5th Reunion! Happy Hour honoring the Class of 1988 End of the Bridge Restaurant

6:30 - 10:00 p.m 25th Reunion! Cocktail Hour/Dinner Dance for the Class of 1968. Stony Brook Union Ballroom

6:30 - 10:00 p.m 10th, 15th and 20th Reunions! Dinner honoring the Classes of 1973, 1978, and 1983. University Club

#### Sunday, October 31

9:00 a.m. 5K Run for Scholarships Registration, Indoor Sports Complex

10:00 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. Pancake Brunch and Trophy Presentation Stony Brook Union North Patio

## In the Arts

## **On Stage at the Staller Center**

You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll sit on the edge of your seat: Stony Brook Theatre, the performance wing of the Theatre Arts Department, has a season lined up that's worth coming back for.

Opening the year is *An Italian American Reconciliation*, a romantic comedy by John Patrick Shanley, author of *Moonstruck*. It's a contemporary love story set in Brooklyn about lovers who find each other against all odds. Assistant Professor John Cameron will direct this production, set for Thursday, September 30-Sunday, October 3, and Thursday, October 7-Sunday, October 10.

Next comes the Homecoming weekend production: Don't miss it!

Silence! The Court is in Session is a spellbinding drama from India that will tour the U.S. after its Stony Brook premiere. Directed by Theatre Arts Department Chair Farley Richmond, Silence! The Court is in Session is a psychological thriller about an amateur theatrical group. As the cast rehearses, layer upon layer of social veneer is peeled away, revealing the truth about the characters and the surprising secrets they have kept hidden. Dates for *Silence! The Court is in Session* are Thursday, October 28-Sunday, October 31 and Thursday, November 4-Sunday, November 7.

Concluding the fall season will be a pair of short plays: Romulus Linney's *Why the Lord Come to Sand Mountain* and *The Second Shepherd's Play*, both directed by Matthew Roth, graduate student. Running from December 2-5 and 9-11, these make a special Christmas treat.

Spring semester will bring a production in celebration of Black History Month during February and a Suzuki-style rendition of Euripides' *The Bacchae* in April.

Tickets are \$8 for general admission and \$6 for alumni (show membership card at the Box Office), students, USB staff and senior citizens. Group and subscription discounts are available. Series tickets are available at \$40 and \$31. Theatre lovers are encouraged to become patrons of Stony Brook Theatre and to arrange theatre parties. Call (516) 632-7300 for more information.

### Union Art Gallery Celebrates the Year of American Crafts

Two exhibitions at the Stony Brook Union Art Gallery will highlight ceramics and weaving this fall, in recognition of the 1993 celebration of American crafts.

Ceramicist Wendy Tigchelaar's show, "Generations," will feature handbuilt figurative and vessel forms from Wednesday, September 1-Thursday, September 15. A reception honoring Tigchelaar, who is currently an artist in residence at the Union Crafts Center, will be held Tuesday, September 7, 6-8 p.m. Alumni are welcome. The Paumanok Weavers Guild, an interweaving of friends and fibers, will present "Threads of Life," featuring Peter Collingwood and friendship coverlets by the guild. This show runs Monday, September 20-Friday, October 1, with an opening reception on Monday, September 20, 7-9 p.m.

October is Hispanic Heritage Month, and the gallery will celebrate, Wednesday, October 6 -Thursday, October 21, with a special exhibit. Union Gallery hours are noon to 4 p.m.,

Monday through Friday.



"Sierra," by John Ferren (1951).

#### **Images from Nature**

Paintings by pioneering abstract artist John Ferren (1905-1970) will be featured in an exhibition at the University Art Gallery in the Staller Center for the Arts this fall. The show is called "John Ferren: Images from Nature," and it's one segment of a three-part survey of the artist's career, curated by Helen A. Harrison, director of the Pollock-Krasner House and Study Center in East Hampton.

Ferren's highly individualistic responses to nature were painted in New York and California during the 1950s. His organic abstractions, painted during the 1930s, will be at the Pollock-Krasner House, and his hard-edged paintings of the 1960s will be on display at the Godwin-Ternbach Museum of Queens College.

The exhibition runs Tuesday, September 7, through Saturday, October 23.

The gallery is open Tuesday through Friday, noon-4 p.m., and Saturday, 5-8 p.m.

## Music, Music, Music!

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart will share the stage with Aaron Copland, Prokefiev, Handel, Debussy, Weymouth, Haydn and others when the Music Department's orchestras and ensembles perform this fall. Concerts range from the classical to the very-very-contemporary, including at least one world premiere and plenty of Bach, Beethoven and Bizet (no Brahms this time).

The Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Bradley Lubman, will give five Saturday night concerts. On October 2 they will perform Prokofiev's *Classical Symphony*, Copland's Clarinet Concerto (Michael Lowenstern, soloist), and Mozart's Symphony No. 36 ("Linz").

On November 6, the program features two

works by Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 3 in C minor with Stefan Litwin, soloist, and the Second Symphony. Also on the program will be a world premiere of Daniel Weymouth's Concerto for Cello and Orchestra. Weymouth is an assistant professor of music at Stony Brook.

The December 4 concert includes Schoenberg's Chamber Symphony No. 1 and Handel's "For Zion Do We Mourn," featuring the Stony Brook Chorale, directed by Timothy Mount.

The Stony Brook University Orchestra will perform on Thursday, December 2. Maestro Jack Kreiselman will conduct L'Arlésienne Suite No. 1 by Bizet; the Suite in A Minor for Flute, Strings and Continuo by Telemann; Concerto for Two Violins by J.S. Bach; Cello Concerto in C Major by Haydn, and Symphony No. 101, also by Haydn.

On Wednesday, December 8, the Stony Brook Wind Ensemble, under the baton of Jack Kreiselman, will perform music by Wagner, Bizet, Bach, and Rossini, and a holiday singalong.

Like your music modern? Try the Contemporary Chamber Players on Wednesday, November 10, and Tuesday, November 23 at 8 p.m. Or the computer music concert on Sunday, October 10 at 7 p.m.

Is baroque your preference? Come enjoy the Baroque Sundays at Three series, starting September 19 and November 14 in the Recital Hall.

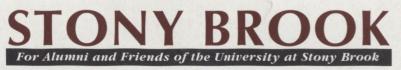
Many concerts are free. For more information, call the Music Department at (516) 632-7330.







When Maureen Palmieri '93 undertook her MFA thesis project earlier this year, she really got into the swing of things. See story on page 5.



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