

# HAPPENINGS

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## Classes Begin Today, Enrollment Estimated at 17,700 Campus-wide Barbecue, Exhibits, Special Events Highlight Opening Week

An estimated 17,700 new and returning students are streaming back onto campus today, Wednesday, September 4, for the first day of classes. The projected numbers are slightly higher than the same period last year, when enrollment totaled 17,665. Actual enrollment figures for Fall, 1996 won't be finalized until a week after the add/drop period, 15 class days into the semester.

For the 1,735 freshmen who make up the Class of 2000 and the 1,143 new transfer students, it's academic. They've already had a few days to explore, adjust and acquaint themselves with campus life, Stony Brook style. The new students have been participating in a round of special events that began last Thursday, when the University's Foreign Student Services office hosted a dinner for international students and campus and community members participating in the 1996-97 Host Family Program. The program matches foreign students with local families who throughout the year provide friendship, hospitality and insight on American customs and culture.

New students who reside in campus residence halls moved in on Monday, September 2, most with more than a little help from parents, friends and an army of campus volunteers. Actress, comedienne, talk-show host, and author Bertice Berry delivered the keynote address at a New Student Convocation, one of two traditional major events on "moving in" day. The other, a noon-time barbecue for students, their parents and guests, was sponsored by the Alumni Association.

Opening Week activities continue today with a University-wide barbecue that begins at Noon in the Fine Arts Plaza. And look for special exhibits around campus heralding the start of the fall term. Dozens of social and athletic events are also planned through the final day of Opening Week on Sunday, September 8 which ends with an open house for all students in the Union, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

For the rest of the campus community, the start of the academic term brings with it several operational changes. Key among them:

- **Road Closing:** On Saturday, September 7, much of South Loop Road will be closed until construction on and around the new 180,000 square foot Life Sciences Building annex is completed. A new section of South Loop Road, east of the present roadway will be built to reflect the new configuration of the Life Sciences complex. The road had been closed since late July but was opened temporarily for the opening week of school. During construction of the annex, pedestrians heading south from the University's Social and Behavioral Sciences Building will be directed to an existing

corridor that runs between the front of the Life Sciences Building and the Life Sciences Library. Pedestrians using the Nicholls Road underpass from the Health Sciences Center on the east campus, can reach the west campus by following existing walkways along the south side of the Life Sciences Building. Trucks, cars and emergency vehicles will still be able to use South Loop Road to access loading docks at the Life Sciences and Social and Behavioral Sciences buildings and the Nicholls Road underpass. About 80 faculty/staff parking spaces behind the Social and Behavioral Sciences building have been relocated to an expanded faculty/staff parking area northeast of the Administration Building.

### Car Talk

Whether you drive to Stony Brook or walk, the trip will be easier this fall. Here's why:

- **Bus Service:** Trip fees have been eliminated. Just show your Stony Brook ID.

- **Faculty/Staff Vehicle Registration:** Annual faculty and staff vehicle registration has been eliminated. If you registered your vehicle in 1995-1996, you won't have to re-register unless you change vehicles.

- **New Information Sources:** The campus and broader community now has access to several new sources of information about the campus:

- **Road Conditions:** You can hear about the latest campus road and parking conditions as far as five miles away from campus, by tuning in to **WUSB-AM at 1630** on the dial. In addition to motorist information, the new low-power broadcast service provides announcements of campus events. For major

inclement weather related information including hurricanes, call **632-SNOW** (west campus) or **444-SNOW** (east campus & School of Dental Medicine).

- **Traffic:** The Traffic Affairs Office has a new 24-hour information line. The phone line, **632-AUTO**, is staffed during business hours and has provisions for leaving messages for a call-back when the office is closed.

- **Events & General Information:** The University's news and information line, **632-NEWS**, has been revamped and expanded to include detailed directions to the campus, telephone numbers of key departments and related information.

- **Parking:** Departments planning conferences or other events that will draw visitors to the campus can get assistance in advance with parking needs. The Traffic Affairs Office has a new event planner to smooth the process. Call **632-AUTO** for a copy.

**...and Phone Change:** Telephones for the entire resident population have been moved from 632 to a new exchange, 216. This change frees up more than 4,000 numbers on the 632 exchange, to meet the growing demand for fax machines and modems.

## Convocation September 18 President to Deliver State of University Message

The University will hold its second annual fall convocation on Wednesday, September 18, officially ushering in the 1996-97 academic year. President Shirley Strum Kenny will be the convocation keynoter, her address focusing on the state of the University.

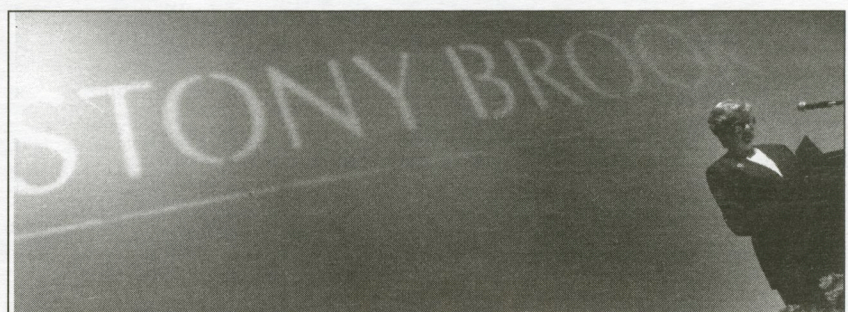
The ceremony, open to the campus and broader community, begins at 4 p.m. in the Staller Center for the Arts. A public reception will follow in the Fine Arts Center Plaza. Doors will open at 3:30 p.m. so that convocation attendees can view a special Student Art Show in the Staller Center lobby. Video footage of the popular Roth Cardboard Boat Race will also be on view, starting at 3:50 p.m.

At the Convocation, Dr. Kenny will announce the names of the nine winners of the University's first President's Mini-Grants for Innovative Teaching Projects and the four winners of the President's Mini-Grants for Department Diversity Initiatives. Five faculty members selected by the University Senate as the first members of the newly formed Academy of Teacher-Scholars will also be introduced. The Academy was established to encourage innovation in undergraduate teaching and teaching excellence. Winners will receive a \$5,000 Presidential stipend with an additional \$5,000 paid to their departments the following year. The winner of the Adams Diversity Award will also be made public.

The Convocation will provide a special setting for a salute to Dr. J. Howard Oaks, vice-president for Health Sciences, on the occasion of his retirement. The reception which follows will be in honor of Dr. Oaks.

Also to be recognized will be the recipients of the President's Award for Excellence in Classified Service, Excellence in Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action, the Chancellor's and President's Award for Excellence in Professional Service, Librarianship and Teaching, which were announced in the spring.

Dr. Robert Lieberman of the Department of Earth and Space Sciences, and Dr. Stanley Alexander of the School of Dental Medicine, will be recognized for their appointments to the rank of Distinguished Service Professor and Distinguished Teaching Professor, respectively. New administrators and faculty also will be introduced.



President Shirley Strum Kenny at last year's Convocation.

Recipients of the President's Award for Excellence in Classified Service are Doris Alkon, English Department; Doris Chaberek, Health Sciences Library; Deborah Coleman, University Hospital Division of Medical Oncology; Barbara Oliva, University Counseling Center; and Basil Wattle, Division of Campus Residences.

The President's Award for Excellence in Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action recipients are Dallas Bauman, Division of Campus Residences, and Gerald Sheppard, University Counseling Center.

Chancellor's and President's Award for Excellence in Professional Service winners are Maureen Bower, New Student Programs; Scott C. Law, Division of Campus Residences; and Arthur Shertzer, University Police, Traffic Affairs. Recipients of the Chancellor's and President's Award for Excellence in Librarianship are Antonija Prelec, Health Sciences Center Library; and Christine King, Frank Melville Jr. Library, Reference Department.

Chancellor and President's Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipients are Mary Ann Dumas, School of Nursing; Robert Harvey, Department of French and Italian; Thomas Hemmick, Department of Physics; Nillufer Isvan, Department of Sociology; Marjorie Kandel, Department of Chemistry; Joseph S.B. Mitchell, Department of Applied Mathematics and Statistics; and Mark Swerdloff, School of Dental Medicine, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

New faculty will also be introduced by each department chair.

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## STONY BROOK ON THE MOVE

# While You Were Away

## Millions in Construction Under Way to Expand, Improve Campus Facilities

Stony Brook isn't quite the way you left it. While you were gone, millions of dollars worth of new construction began this summer, changing the face and pace of campus life.

Most notable was site work for a six-story, 180,000 square foot, free-standing annex to the Life Sciences building which will be linked to the existing Life Sciences building at the basement level and by two sky bridges. Because of the construction, much of South Loop Road has been closed to vehicular traffic since July. (It's open this week because of the start of school, but closes again this Saturday, September 7, until construction is completed). About 80 faculty/staff parking spaces were eliminated near the building, replaced by an equivalent number of spaces in a faculty/staff lot northeast of the administration building. The closed section of South Loop Road is being rerouted.

While the Life Sciences complex may be the single largest current project — and the first new academic building constructed at Stony Brook in two decades — it's not the only one that has been keeping labor crews busy. The new 100,000 square foot \$13.8 million Student Activities Center is almost finished (although it will take a few months more to complete and furnish the interior of the building), parking garages on both sides of the campus are being repaired and upgraded, the rehab program for residence halls continues at a fast clip, and improvements to the Nicholls Road underpass are proceeding.

That makes Gary Matthews a very happy man. "I'm excited about the things we've been able to do in the past few months," says Matthews, assistant vice-president for facilities and services, fingering a long list of projects that were started or completed since the end of May. "Many of these are simple projects, like installing outdoor dining tables near some of the academic buildings. Others, like the work on the parking garages, are a sign that we're catching up with maintenance that had been deferred for many years. In the end, Stony Brook will be a better place."

Here's a quick tour of the projects that are planned, underway, or recently completed:

### Public Places:

Picnic tables, new waste receptacles, modular seating, and umbrellas are being installed in high traffic areas outside the Javits Center, Staller Center for the Arts, the Earth & Space Sciences Center and the Humanities Building as part of an effort to make the campus more people-friendly. The new seating and dining spaces complement a larger Green Team effort in which volunteer teams of students, faculty and staff are planting flowers, evergreens, trees and shrubs around the campus.

### Residence Halls:

- Stony Brook's residence hall rehabbing continues on a fast-track, with Roosevelt Quad fully back on line this fall with the reopening of Wagner and Keller colleges. Three buildings in Kelly Quad — Schick, Hamilton and Dewey — will be closed this semester, with Eisenhower and Baruch closing in the spring. Tabler, the next quad in line for rehabbing, will undergo a makeover in the 1997-98 school year. Kelly Quad Project cost: \$10 million.

- Bathroom renovations have been completed in Tabler, Mendelsohn and Roosevelt Quads, wrapping up a multi-year project that encompassed all 26 residence halls. Project cost: \$3 million

- Rehabbing is underway on Roosevelt cafeteria, with a spring, 1997, completion date. Kelly cafeteria will be rehabbed in the spring. Project cost: \$4 million.

### Nicholls Road Underpass

- The underpass will remain open while work is underway to rewaterproof the tunnel, upgrade the lighting and resurface the floor. A walkway to Levels 2 and 3 of the Health Science Center is being replaced. Work should be completed by early spring. Project cost: \$327,000.

### Parking

- State Dormitory Authority contractors are putting the final touches on improvements and repairs to the Administration building parking garage. Support columns have been resurfaced, stairs repaired and brought up to code and see-through e-walls installed at third floor stair doors for weather protection and pedestrian safety. Work is to be completed by October. Project cost: \$225,000.

- Resurfacing and refurbishing of the Health Science Center garages is underway, with 200 parking spots at a time being taken out of service until work is completed. New lighting is also being installed. Project cost: \$3 million.

- A bridge that connects the Health Sciences Center garage to Level 2 of the HSC has been closed for rehabbing. Weather permitting, it will reopen in November. Project cost: \$120,000.

Eighty new spaces have been added to a faculty/staff lot northeast of the Administration building to replace those displaced by construction of the Life Sciences building annex.

An additional 320 spaces have been created on a former site of a temporary parking lot between the Cogeneration Plant and Sports Complex. The lot, which is being paved and provided with drainage facilities and lighting, should be ready in October. Project cost: \$350,000.

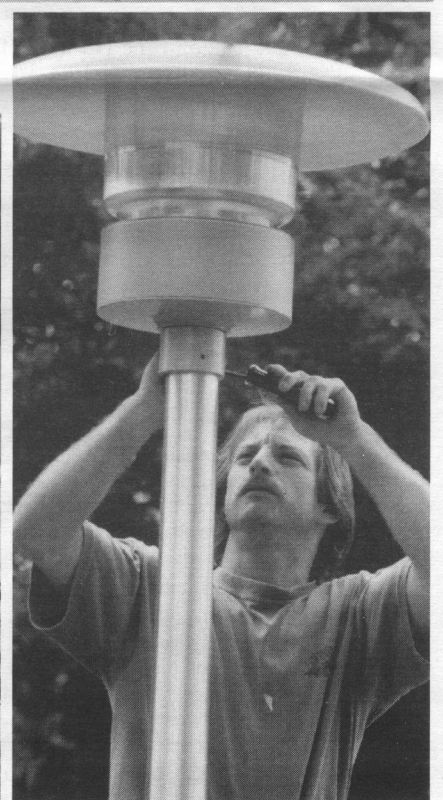
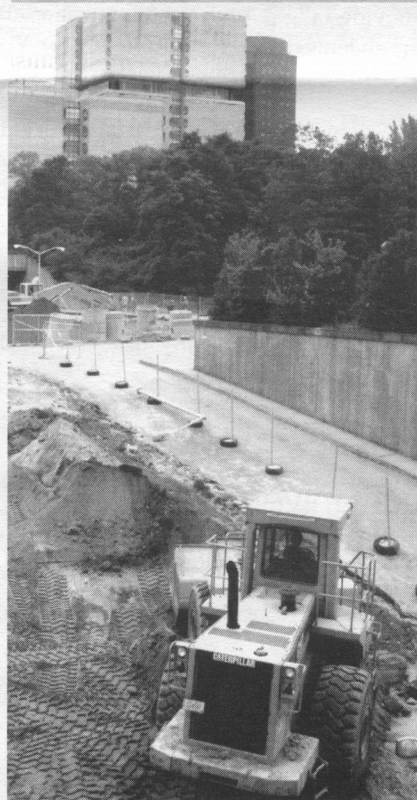
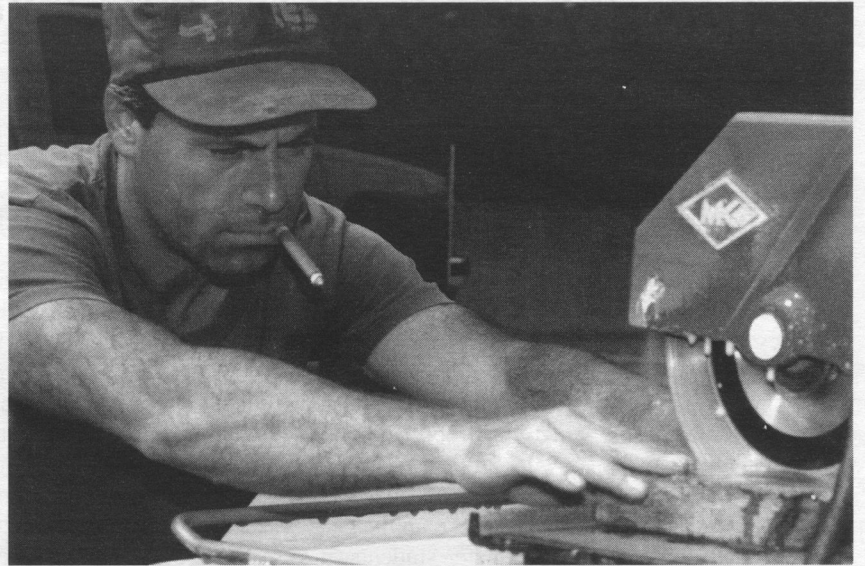
### Academic Buildings

- The six-story, 180,000 square foot Life Sciences annex — to rise northeast of the 343,000 square foot Life Sciences Building — will provide additional classroom and laboratory space. Designed by Abramovitz, Kingsland and Schiff of New York City, the annex will be linked to the existing Life Sciences building at the basement level and by two sky bridges, one on the second floor, the other on the fourth. Walsh Construction of Trumbull, Connecticut, is the general contractor for the project that also includes construction of a new section of South Loop Road, east of the present roadway. Project cost: \$33 million.

- The heavily-used Health Sciences Center Library will be upgraded. The project includes installation of a SINC site, repairs and repainting of walls and ceilings, decorating, plus improvements to lighting and ventilation. Project cost: \$3.5 million.

- Public areas in the Javits Lecture Center have been upgraded. Two new rooms have been created on the second floor and new flooring has been installed. Project cost: \$40,000.

- The size of the South P-Lot bus shelter will be doubled this fall, in conjunction



New construction and repairs to existing facilities are keeping construction crews busy. At top, a workman cuts new blocks to repair the Javits Center plaza. At center, workers install the concrete floor of a new foot bridge between the east and west campuses. Below left, the site of the new Life Sciences annex is prepared for the construction ahead, while (bottom right), one of the new and improved lighting fixtures is installed.

with expansion of bus service to the parking area east of Stony Brook Road. Work will begin this month and should be completed by November. Project cost: \$30,000.

- Weather permitting, walkways under the bridge between the Stony Brook Union and the Melville Library, will be resurfaced as will plaza areas and walkways around bookstore and graduate chemistry building. Bad weather could postpone this project until the spring. Project cost: \$120,000.

- A state-of-the-art Research MRI Center is under construction at University Medical Center, adjacent to its existing MRI facility. The \$2.6 million project will be completed by January, 1997.

## STONY BROOK DATABASE

**THE GOOD** - Although the 1996-97 Executive Budget proposed a 4.5% budget cut for SUNY, legislative restorations contributed to Stony Brook sustaining only a 1% loss in the state appropriated budget.

**THE BAD** - One of the mechanisms used to mitigate state budget reductions to SUNY academic campuses was a \$24 million cut to SUNY run university hospitals. Stony Brook University Hospital will have to absorb a significant share of this reduction.

**THE UGLY** - This year's New York State budget was passed 104 days after the start of the fiscal year, making it the latest state budget in the history of the United States.

## STONY BROOK ON THE MOVE Activity a Sign of New Direction

Stony Brook made major strides during the 1995-96 academic year in improving campus life, undergraduate education, management systems and the physical appearance of the campus.

That is the central theme of a Report to the Campus Community on 1995-1996 Achievements, issued this past May by President Shirley Strum Kenny and updated here. The report also describes progress toward goals identified in the development of a Five Year Plan for Stony Brook.

"It is important for us to recognize how far we have already come," said Dr. Kenny. "Significant progress has been made on many of the priorities identified in the planning process. Dealing with budget cuts and reducing the campus debt and deficit were necessary first steps, but at the same time, Stony Brook is on the move. We have new academic programs, better student services, and better access to classes. We have outstanding new research projects and expanding economic development and clinical programs. We have upwardly mobile athletics, more campus events and increased fundraising. And we have major construction and renovation projects underway."

The Five Year Plan, which Dr. Kenny will release this fall, incorporates the thinking of nine Task Forces which were asked to develop recommendations for action in areas critical to Stony Brook's future. During 1995-96, a Coordinating Committee synthesized the work of the Task Forces into the first draft of a Five Year Plan. The Committee is in the process of completing a revised draft for campus discussion during the fall semester.

"Some common themes ran through the Task Forces' reports that identified priorities for Stony Brook. Three of these themes have been foci for action during 1995-96," Dr. Kenny notes. They include:

- Improving the appearance of the campus
- Information technology
- Parking and transportation.

Other Task Force recommendations on which action has been taken include smoothing students' progress through the curriculum, providing incentives for innovations in teaching, simplifying student registration procedures, developing career placement services, reorganizing international programs, improving the residence halls, and enhancing on-and off-campus communications and fund raising.

Here is an area-by-area look at the Campus Initiatives as they stand today:

### Dealing with a Reduced Budget

**Administrative costs were reduced by \$1.6 million.**

Through implementation of the Arthur Andersen recommendations and other reorganizations, \$1.2 million was cut from administrative units in 1995-96.

Changes in purchasing procedures generated an additional \$400,000 in savings.

Permanent staff reductions with a value equal to approximately half the administrative savings (or \$600,000) were made in 1995-96.

**One third of the internal campus debt was eliminated.**

President Kenny pledged last fall to eliminate the internal debt and structural deficit in three years. One-third was eliminated in 1995-96, and the second third is budgeted for elimination in 1996-97.

**Internal fees totaling \$1.4 million were eliminated.**

A comprehensive review was completed of the fees charged to on-campus clients by administrative and support services.

Eleven fee categories were eliminated, including computer recharges, audiovisual services, custodial charges for events, moving services, and maintenance projects under \$500. Savings also

accrue from eliminating the accounting effort required to manage fee revenue.

**The purchasing process was re-engineered to improve the quality and efficiency of service.**

Purchasing and accounts payable offices are being consolidated.

Central Stores was replaced by contracts with Weeks Office Supply and Fisher Scientific that offer significant discounts and next-day delivery service while eliminating overhead costs.

Electronic requisitioning is being offered to all departments to reduce paperwork.

A procurement card pilot project involving 20 departments will begin this fall. These departments will use a special American Express card for purchases up to \$500. The charges will be automatically deducted from their budgets.

**Reorganizations increased effectiveness and efficiency.**

A Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences has been named and is replacing four divisional deans.

A Vice President for Administration and Finance will replace two vice presidents.

The Office of International Programs was reorganized.

The Stony Brook Foundation Business Office was reorganized, and the staff was reduced from nine to five people.

**Payroll-related transactions were simplified.**

An electronic direct deposit program was instituted.

Parking charges were added to the payments employees can choose to have deducted from their paychecks.

The appointment process was simplified as a result of the creation of the Employees Services Unit.

### Campus Appearance

**Student areas are being repaired and refurbished.**

This summer, comfortable study space and two small classrooms were built on the second floor of the Javits Lecture Center.

Seating areas have been refurbished on Level 2 of the Health Sciences Center and in the lobby of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

One of the large Health Sciences Center lecture halls was recarpeted.

The Health Sciences Library will be rehabbed and redecorated this fall.

**Grounds projects to improve the appearance and conviviality of the campus are underway.**

As weather permits, walkways and public areas are being repaved and repaired around the Javits Lecture Center, the Library, the Fine Arts Center and the Engineering quadrangle.

Planters and foot lighting are being installed



*The campus is blooming with colorful flowers and greenery thanks to the efforts of volunteers like those above.*



*Workmen repair staircases in the Administration Building parking garage*

to soften the landscaping of the Fine Arts and the Javits plazas.

Waste receptacles of uniform design are being installed on the Academic Mall as the first step toward improving its appearance.

Brighter and more attractive lighting has been installed on the Academic Mall to enhance the safety and appearance of the campus.

New benches and outdoor dining tables have been installed in several locations across the campus.

**A Green Team program was created to involve the campus community in improving the appearance of the campus.**

More than three dozen "Green Teams," composed of students, faculty and staff, have adopted sites and are taking responsibility for planting and maintaining small gardens across the campus.

**The Pollack-Krasner House was designated a National Historical Landmark.**

The Pollack-Krasner Foundation has pledged \$75,000 to support the Center's historic preservation and education goals. A new fund-raising board, the Guardians Council, which will spearhead the Center's capital campaign and endowment drive, was announced at a reception held this past spring at the Museum of Modern Art.

In recognition of the site's status as a National Historic Landmark, New York State's Natural Heritage Trust has given the Center a \$15,000 grant to preserve this valuable cultural resource.

### Parking And Transportation

**A major capital program to improve the parking garages is underway.**

After years of deferred maintenance, a four-year, \$3 million rehabilitation project is underway in the Administration garage and Health Sciences Center garages. Work will begin on the hospital garage this fall. In addition to structural and lighting improvements, the lots are being resurfaced.

**Bus service and service to campus motorists were improved.**

Bus service to off-campus shopping areas and the Health Sciences Center has been expanded.

A Motorist Assistance Program has been created to provide campus motorists help with jump starts, lockouts, and problems created by poor weather conditions.

**Commuter students were given increased access to core campus lots.**

Commuter students are now permitted to park after 4 p.m. in all lots not designated as 24-hour faculty-staff parking; they can also have access to the garages with a pro-rated card.

**The safety and convenience of campus parking and roadways is being increased.**

New signs have been installed in parking areas and on campus roadways.

Blue-light security telephones and surveillance cameras are being mounted in South P-lot.

**A three-year plan for further improvements was established.**

- A new student transportation fee is funding:
- On-campus bus service with no charge to the rider.
  - Bus service to shopping areas with no charge to the rider.
  - Extension of off-campus bus service to Port Jefferson.
  - Improved parking facilities including resurfaced lots and additional parking spaces in the core campus lots.
  - Increased patrols in parking lots.
  - The larger P-lot bus shelter. Work begins this month on the project that will double the size of the shelter. It's targeted for completion by November.

**Information Technology**

**Student access to computing facilities have been enhanced.**

Student access to the University's computing environment has been expanded by the addition of two new SUN ULTRA file/compute servers, a new fast ethernet network, and 26 new Power PC computers in the Library SINC site.

The Social and Behavioral Sciences SINC site has been upgraded to Pentium class computers.

**A three-year plan for further improvements was established.**

Beginning this fall, Stony Brook students—like those at all the other SUNY University Centers—are paying a student technology fee that will help will support the purchase, periodic replacement, and staff support for an additional 400 student workstations and 72 off-campus access ports for student use.

**Instructional computing facilities were expanded.**

A 26-seat computer classroom was constructed in the Melville Library.

A 30-seat Language Learning Center classroom was constructed in the Melville Library for multimedia instruction in the humanities, fine arts, and other disciplines.

The Javits Lecture Center was equipped with three high resolution computer video projection units.

The Harriman classroom computing equipment is being upgraded to Pentium class computers.

A MAC-based instructional classroom in Social & Behavioral Science is under construction.

**The campus network was extended and enhanced.**

The Humanities Building, Melville Library, Fine Arts Center, and Harriman Hall were connected to the campus backbone network. The network connection to Old Chemistry, scheduled to be finished by October, will complete the networking of all academic core buildings.

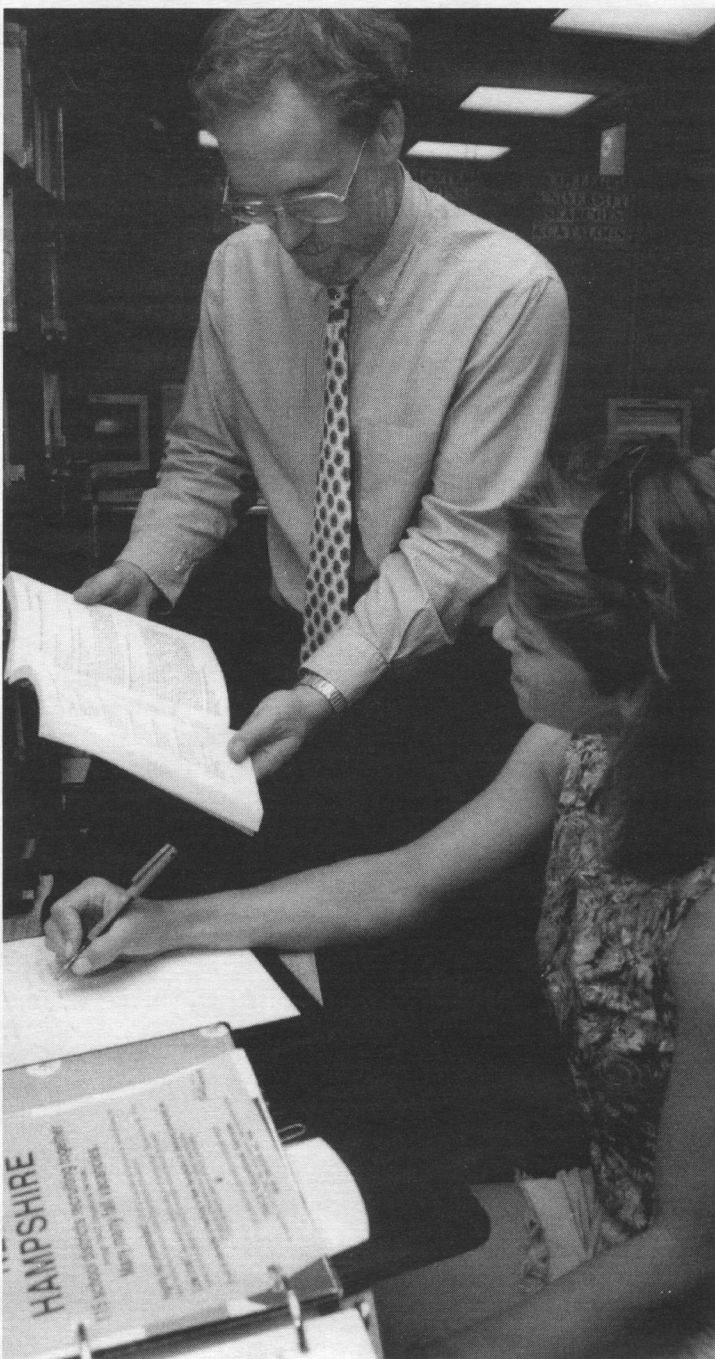
Three residence hall SINC site facilities have been added to the campus network. Two additional halls are scheduled to be connected to the network during this academic year.

The campus backbone network has been upgraded to include 100MB ethernet switch technology. The instructional network, Social and Behavioral Sciences Building, and the Administration Building have migrated to building-based switch technology. Additional buildings will follow during the fall and spring semesters.

**The Health Sciences Library was revitalized.**

New information services and systems are in place.

The SINC site is being expanded and upgraded. The Health Sciences Library on-line catalog is now accessible to the entire campus via the World Wide Web.



*Career Placement Center director Tom Tyson helps a student with her job search.*

**Undergraduate Education**

**The National Commission on Educating Undergraduates in the Research University began meeting in July, 1995.**

This Commission, convened by President Kenny, engages some of the nation's most distinguished scholars and scientists in identifying ways to develop the symbiosis between research, graduate education and undergraduate education and to use the resources of research universities to enliven and enrich the undergraduate experience.

**A Long Island Consortium for Interconnected Learning in Quantitative Disciplines**, led by Stony Brook, is developing innovative courses and curricular materials that will change how faculty teach and how undergraduates learn mathematics and related quantitative disciplines. Funded by the National Science Foundation (\$2.8 million over the next four years), the project is starting with a consortium of ten Long Island colleges and universities.

**In 1995-96, incentives were established to encourage and reward innovative teaching:**

An Academy of Teachers-Scholars has been created to encourage educational innovation and to honor and reward excellent undergraduate teaching. Up to five faculty members will be chosen annually by the Undergraduate Council on the basis of teaching excellence and a project to invent or re-invent courses, develop curricular concentrations, mentor colleagues or otherwise innovate in undergraduate education. Those elected will receive financial support for their projects and share their expertise with other faculty by, for example, making classroom visits and mentoring junior faculty. Five members of the faculty have been selected for Fall, 1996.

Presidential Mini-Grants for Innovative Teaching Projects were initiated this past January. This competitive grant program awards faculty members funds for projects that will enrich students' classroom experience. Eight awards

were made for the 1996-97 academic year.

**Access to introductory classes was increased:**

The humanities departments initiated a new student seminar to introduce the humanities.

All new students required to take writing composition (EGC 101) were guaranteed seats this fall, and all new students were guaranteed placement in the appropriate freshman mathematics course.

A mechanism was established to monitor excess demand for courses during registration. Registration procedures for Fall 1996 were changed to improve student placement by permitting students to register in only one section of a course at a time.

The number of seats in organic chemistry (CHEM 327) was significantly increased.

This fall, there are 20 percent more seats in introductory biology (BIO 151). In addition, the course will be offered in spring semester as well as the fall.

Biology and chemistry teaching laboratories were air conditioned this summer.

**Stony Brook undergraduate and graduate students won prestigious national awards.**

Two Equal Opportunity Program students—in biochemistry and economics/business—were elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

A student in biology won the UNCF-Merck Undergraduate Science Research Award Scholarship in a national competition. The scholarship is valued at more than \$35,000.

Two students—in biochemistry and electrical engineering/physics—were named Goldwater Scholars, a highly competitive award that carries a \$7,000 scholarship.

An anthropology student won the \$32,000 Beineke Memorial Scholarship from the Sperry Fund.

Two students—in mathematics and ecology and evolution—won 1996 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Awards. Two students—in electrical engineering and computer science—won 1996 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Minority Fellowship Awards. In addition, three students who identified Stony Brook as their first choice for graduate education won National Science Foundation Research Fellowship Awards. Two Stony Brook students and two who identified Stony Brook as their first choice received National Science Foundation Honorable Mention Awards.

**Student Services and Facilities**

**A consolidated Student Services Center was created to provide students with "one-stop shopping" for registration, billing and financial aid transactions.**

Services provided to students in the lobby of the Administration Building—registration, billing, and financial aid—were merged so that students can complete all their transactions except financial aid counseling in one visit to a single window.

**The telephone registration system was extended to include billing and other functions, and use increased dramatically.**

In Spring 1996, 76 percent of all students completed their initial registration by telephone. Two-thirds of all add/drop transactions were processed by telephone.

As of Spring, 1996, students were able to use the telephone to pay tuition fees with a credit card, make add/drop transactions and register for Health Sciences Center classes.

An automated inquiry function allows students to hear their grades, charges and payment

information, general information about financial aid and information about their own financial aid package.

**Student billing was simplified.**

Miscellaneous charges previously billed separately, such as art and engineering fees, were added to a consolidated single bill.

Electronic funds transfer was established to simplify and accelerate crediting financial aid payments to student accounts.

**Computer access to student and class records was provided.**

Twelve SOAR (Student Online Access to Records) terminals were installed to give students and advisors access to schedules, grades and mid-term advisory grades, DARTS (Degree Audit Record Tracking System) information, transcript request status, admission information, billing, advising and registration blocks. Five more terminals were added this summer. This fall, this information will be accessible through the World Wide Web.

**A Career Placement Center was created.**

A Director of the University Career Placement Center was hired to expand the services of the former Career Development Office to include placement services.

JOBTRACK—an information management system that gives students access to a comprehensive job listings data base—was made available to Stony Brook students.

**The Commuter Student Affairs Office opened.**

Located in the Stony Brook Union, the Commuter Student Affairs Office provides advocacy, programming, support service and outreach for commuter students. The first bi-annual commuter student newsletter was published in April.

**Services for disabled students were improved.**

The Disabled Students Services Study Lounge was refurbished and accessible lockers were installed.

The Disabled Students Services office was refurbished and equipped for students requiring special test accommodations.

A comprehensive campus Accessibility Map (the first of its kind in the entire SUNY system) has been published that details the locations for accessible bathrooms, handicapped parking, automatic doors, ramps and curb cuts, TTY phones, emergency Blue Light phones, and bus stops for every roadway, building, and walkway on the east, west and south campus.

**Planning funds were released for Phase 2 of the Student Activities Center.**

Construction of the first phase of the Student Activities Center is nearing completion. The facility is scheduled to open this winter. Phase 2 will include additional meeting rooms, multipurpose



Renhabbing of Kelly Quad is underway. Here workmen remove old interior doors

space for events, lounges, offices and an art gallery.

**The School of Medicine expanded co-curricular programs for medical students.**

New programs included money management workshops, a peer group stress reduction program, several student volunteer programs, an exchange with Russia, and hosting the American Medical Women's Association Regional Spring Conference.

**An Annual Award for Special Consideration to Undergraduates was created.**

This new award recognizes an employee's outstanding dedication to making the undergraduate experience successful.

**Campus Life**

**Athletics**

Stony Brook entered the prestigious New England Collegiate Conference, the next step in its move into Division I.

**Diversity**

Presidential Mini-Grants for Departmental Diversity Initiatives began in January. This competitive grant program seeks to involve students and stimulate faculty to confront problems of diversity in the context of a department's particular needs. Four awards have been made for the 1996-97 academic year.

**New annual events**

- New events include:
- Fall Pride Patrol
- A President's Tea to honor December graduates
- The Presidential Lecture Series

**Programs and attendance at weekend events increased substantially.**

Attendance at events on the weekend of April 19-21, for example, topped 8,500 people. The Ultimate Spring Blast included a Cardboard Regatta (formerly, the Roth Quad Regatta) which drew more than 2,500; a carnival (1,200) and a Spirit Night and Talent Show (3,200). In addition, nearly 600 attended the Interfraternity-Sorority Council Week Picnic; the LASO (Latin American Student Organization) semiformal drew 650 people including alumni and parents; and 500 participated in the Latin Block Party.

**Student Health**

Student health services were extended. The CHOICE (Choosing Healthy Options in the College Environment) Resource Center developed an award-winning student theatrical production that deals with substance abuse on college campuses, and a "Reality Check" substance abuse outreach program was developed that includes posters, fliers, and newspaper ads.

**Residence Halls**

The schedule for the residence hall revitalization program was continued, accelerated and expanded.

Wagner and Keller residence halls have been rehabilitated and are being occupied this fall, completing all four halls in Roosevelt Quad, which, in addition to those already completed in Roth Quad, brings to nine the total number of renovated facilities. Three buildings in Kelly Quad are closed this semester for rehabbing.

The renovation schedule has been accelerated so that all the residence halls will be completed by 2000 instead of 2007 as previously planned.

**A cafeteria rehab program was initiated.**

During 1995-96, Stony Brook developed a financial plan and obtained approval to renovate all five residence hall cafeterias by 2000. Work began on Roosevelt Cafeteria this summer and should be completed by the spring. Kelly Cafeteria rehabbing will begin in the spring.

**Other repairs and maintenance improvements were also completed.**

Bathroom repairs were completed in Tabler,

Mendelsohn and Roosevelt Quads.

Weekend custodial services were initiated in corridor-style residence halls, and an evening maintenance shift was added to provide for emergency response.

**An Interdisciplinary Arts Living-Learning Center opened in Greeley College.**

The new unit brings to seven the number of Living Learning Centers on campus. There are six other residential programs accommodating 765 students. Fifty-five academic courses are offered in these residence halls each semester.

**Student computing facilities (SINC sites) were opened in three residence halls and another will be ready by Fall 1996.**

SINC sites were opened in Benedict, Baruch and Stimson Colleges. Cardoza College will have one this fall.

**Public Relations And Development**

**Media coverage of Stony Brook increased by 70% in 1995-96.**

Every metropolitan area television station, every network, CNN, and — for the first time — C-SPAN, provided coverage of Stony Brook people and events.

Comments from and stories about Stony Brook faculty, students and staff regularly appear in *Newsday*, the *New York Times*, the *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, the *Daily News* and the *New York Post*. National and international magazines including *Wired*, *Nature*, *Science*, *Women's Day*, *Men's Fitness* and *Discover* are among dozens of publications that have reported on Stony Brook people, research, and events. News about



Cary and Marisela Staller welcome President Shirley Strum Kenny and her husband Robert to the Raggae Jamboree. The fundraiser, at the Staller's Old Field home overlooking Long Island Sound, raised \$100,000 for scholarships.

Stony Brook is also carried internationally by the Associated Press, Reuters and the United Press International.

**Fundraising increased.**

- As of September, 1996:
- Stony Brook Foundation revenue increased \$500,000.
- Pledges from the Telefund and Annual Fund total \$400,000
- The Athletics Department raised \$400,000.
- Planned giving for the year totals \$100,000.

A Raggae Jamboree scholarship fundraiser, hosted by the University Scholarship Benefit Committee — a newly-formed volunteer alumni/friends of the University group — brought in \$100,000.

Computer Associates donated \$227,000 worth of hardware and licensed programs for the establishment of a new transaction laboratory in the Department of Computer Science.

Membership in the John Toll Society increased 28 per cent. Membership recognizes the generosity of donors who have made planned gifts or provisions in their wills of \$25,000 or more.

William L. and Jane Knapp (both '78) generously donated \$100,000 to the University for alumni programs.

At a recent Sunday breakfast that drew more than 300 persons, supporters from the Long Island's Indian-American community — business, civic and professional leaders — pledged \$100,000 to create a Center for India Studies at Stony Brook.

The NASAN Group of Business in Seoul, Korea, donated \$100,000 for Korean studies.

One of the nation's top pop music groups, Hootie & the Blowfish, donated \$10,000 to Stony

Brook for music scholarships.

Several new initiatives were established to increase future giving, including a volunteer-led effort to solicit gifts of \$1,000 or more; a Stony Brook Corporate Associates Group for university/corporate partnerships; a faculty/staff campaign; and a new Friends fund-raising group on the South Shore.



The new Stony Brook logo.

### Communication

#### An identity program for Stony Brook was developed by Milton Glaser.

Mr. Glaser, a world-renowned designer, created a new logo for Stony Brook that will be part of a new image for the University in publications, signs and other components of its visual identity.

#### A short-range AM radio station has been established to enhance campus communications.

The low-power station broadcasts information about campus road and parking conditions to listeners within a five-mile radius of the University. In addition, it provides public-service announcements, and weather and traffic information for commuting students, faculty and staff. The station — at 1630 on the AM dial — made its debut at commencement, guiding visitors and campus personnel to available parking areas.

#### On-campus communications were improved.

The in-house newspaper, *Happenings*, was enlarged to carry more campus and research news.

Some 50 academic and administrative departments now have home pages on the Web, among them Human Resources, which provides on-line access to campus job opportunities, personnel forms, and information about how to complete personnel transactions.

This fall, faculty and staff will be able to use Netscape to get class rosters and information on leave accruals and telephone bills.

#### Alumni outreach increased.

The Alumni Association moved into larger and more readily accessible space on the first floor of Melville Library.

A new magazine—*The Brook*—for alumni and other audiences, made its debut.

A new quarterly newsletter for alumni was created with the first issue scheduled for publication next winter.

An alumni chapter was established in Southern California.

### Selected Academic Achievements

#### Enrollment continued to increase.

Fall 1995 enrollment totaled 17,665, which was slightly higher than Fall 1994 enrollment (17,617) and only 32 students below the all-time record high reached in Fall 1991 (17,697 students).

#### Total expenditures for research and development increased 8% between 1994 and 1995.

Sponsored project expenditures totaled \$98.8 million in the 1995-96 fiscal year, including \$35.7 million in the School of Medicine, \$17.8 million in the Division of Physical Sciences and Mathematics, \$10.5 million in the Division of Biological Sciences, \$9.9 million in the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, \$7.0 million in the Marine Sciences Research Center, and \$6.1 million in major research institutes and centers. Some 27 departments recorded expenditures exceeding \$1 million. The largest increases were achieved by Engineering, Marine Sciences, Medicine, Biological Sciences, Institute for Mineral Sciences, Center for Regional Policy Studies, and Dental Medicine.

#### New academic programs were created in response to student and labor-market demand.

An occupational therapy undergraduate program opened.

A midwifery master's program taught with distance-learning opened.

The student-community development specialization in the Master of Social Work

program enrolled its first students. The program is a collaborative effort between the Division of Student Affairs and the School of Social Welfare.

An undergraduate India Studies program was created. It will become an academic minor.

New advanced graduate certificates in educational computing and in software engineering were developed and approved for the School of Professional Development in cooperation with the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

A New York State certificate licensing program in substance abuse counseling was established in the School of Professional Development.

Approval was obtained to begin the Ph.D. in Social Welfare. Students will matriculate in fall 1997.

Approval was obtained for advanced graduate certificates in Biomedical Engineering and Information Systems Management. Students will matriculate in fall 1997.

#### Interdisciplinary efforts expanded.

Construction has begun on a 180,000 square foot addition to the Life Sciences building. In addition to providing space for research initiatives that will help keep Stony Brook at the forefront of research in the life sciences and biomedicine, the facility will also be used for undergraduate instruction and industrial interaction.

A shared-beam line at the National Synchrotron Light Source was created in collaboration with Brookhaven National Laboratory and Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory to support the Structural Biology Initiative in the Center for Molecular Medicine.

The Whittaker Foundation awarded close to \$1 million to Stony Brook to support the development of the Biomedical Engineering program.

Applications were developed for a Clinical Research Center and a Diabetic Endocrine Research Center.

#### Faculty members received prestigious national and international awards. A sampling:

Dr. Richard Gambino in Materials Science and Engineering, who received the 1995 National Medal of Technology, the nation's highest honor for technological achievement, for his work on CD-ROM technology.

Dr. Douglas Futuyma in Ecology and Evolution, who was made a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Dr. Blaine Lawson in Mathematics, who was elected to the National Academy of Sciences.

Dr. Jainendra Jain in Physics, Dr. Temma Kaplan in Women's Studies and History, and Dr. Axel Meyer in Ecology and Evolution, who were awarded Guggenheim Fellowships.

Robert Keeler, a member of the adjunct faculty in English, who won a 1995 Pulitzer Prize for Journalism.

Dr. Patricia Wright in Anthropology, who was highly honored by the government of Madagascar with the *Medaille de Chevalier de l'Ordre National*.

Dr. Donald Lindsley, associate chair, Earth and Space Sciences, who will receive the Mineralogical Society of America's top award, the 1996 Roebling Medal.

Dr. Richard Howard in philosophy, who was awarded the *Ordre des Palmes Academiques* by the French government in recognition of his contributions to that nation's intellectual and academic life.

Dr. Eckard Wimmer, chair, Microbiology, who was named winner of a prestigious Humboldt Research Award for Senior U.S. Scientists.

#### Outstanding research achievements occurred in many fields.

Stony Brook physicists, led by Dr. Luis Orozco, became the first to trap the element francium.

As part of the National Center for Human Genome Research (Human Genome Project) Dr. Serge Luryi in Electrical Engineering received a three-year \$1.9 million award to develop automated DNA sequencing instrumentation that will operate on a magnitude faster than currently available.

NASA awarded Dr. David Larson in Materials Sciences two grants totaling \$1.6 million for experiments on the space shuttle.

World-wide attention is being focused on Stony Brook astronomers Dr. Kenneth Lanzetta and Dr. Amos Yahill who in analyzing the Hubble Deep Field — the deepest view of the universe taken with NASA's Hubble Space Telescope — uncovered what may prove to be the most distance objects

observed to date. Their findings were published this summer in the British science journal, *Nature*.

#### Outstanding achievements in clinical research included:

Development of a new test to diagnose heart attacks in the emergency room (Dr. Gerard Brogan, Emergency Medicine).

Marketing of Enhanced External Counterpulsation, a new non-invasive treatment for angina pectoris (Dr. Peter Cohn, Cardiology; Dr. Harry Soroff, Surgery, and others).

A major breakthrough in finding the enzyme responsible for short-term memory loss (Dr. Sidney Strickland, Pharmacology).

FDA recognition of Boron Neutron Capture Therapy (BNCT) for brain cancer (Dr. Magdy Shary, Neurosurgery). University Medical Center, in cooperation with Brookhaven National Laboratory, has the only BNCT program in the United States.

#### University Medical Center opened four new clinical centers, received a national awards for excellence and set the standard for maternity stays.

- A Breast Care Center
- A Primary Care Center
- An Osteoporosis Center
- A Workers Wellness Center, housed in the IBEW Union Building, Hauppauge.
- The American Heart Association gave Stony Brook its 1996 Award for Excellence in Cardiovascular Programs.
- University Hospital received a coveted "A" rating from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.
- University Hospital was the first in the nation to voluntarily extend maternity length of stays to two days for normal delivery and four days for a Caesarian.

#### Stony Brook continued to develop its role in economic development.

In 1995-96, the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, as a participant in the Strategic Partnership for Industrial Resurgence (SPIR), worked with 64 Long Island and New York companies on 112 different industrial projects, projected to save or create more than 1,000 jobs and generate an additional \$95 million in business volume for SPIR's corporate partners.

Construction of a 30,000 square foot addition to the Long Island High Technology Incubator has been completed. The new wing houses a pilot biomanufacturing facility developed as a collaborative effort between Stony Brook, Collaborative Laboratories, LIHTI and the Research Foundation. Overall, the incubator has 29 tenants plus nine incubator tenants in campus facilities and 15 participants in its "Incubator Without Walls" program.

Planning and design is underway for a \$750,000 modernization of the Heavy Engineering Building.

In its Project Long Island plan, the Long Island Association identified as a top priority, the development of Stony Brook as a major research university.

An Industrial Partnership Program was established to encourage and support industry/university research collaboration.

Workshops were offered on the development of intellectual property, patents and commercialization.

An Office of Economic Development and an Office of Technology Licensing and Industrial Relations were created. In fiscal year 1995-96, University at Stony Brook Technology Transfer recorded:

- 62 Invention Disclosures
- 20 U.S. Patent Applications filed
- 18 U.S. Patents issued
- 34 Commercial Licenses executed
- \$645,383 in royalties received from Licenses
- CollaGenex Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a company founded on core technology licensed on an exclusive basis from The Research Foundation of SUNY at Stony Brook, had a successful initial public offering on June 20, 1996. The licensed technology is derived from research performed in the Department of Oral Biology and Pathology in the School of Dental Medicine. The first product will be a new drug to treat periodontal disease. Other products will be for the treatment of diseases ranging from osteoarthritis and diabetes to cancer.

For more information, contact Emily Thomas, Director of Planning and Institutional Research, at 632-6265.

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**Donations of new and used clothing and decorative household items** are needed for the University Medical Center thrift shop, the Nearly New Boutique, 116 East Main Street in Port Jefferson. For information, call the Auxiliary office at 444-2699.

**Donors Wanted. University Medical Center at Stony Brook** needs volunteers to donate blood or a component of blood called "platelets." The Center is one of the largest users of platelets on Long Island. If you would like to become a Platelet Donor or make a regular donation, call 444-2634, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. or Saturday and Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free refreshments are provided after the donation.

**Union Art Gallery** needs volunteers to help with Gallery programs and settings, Noon to 4 p.m. Contact Marcia Weiner at 2-6822 or stop by the Student Union & Activities Office, Room 266, Stony Brook Union.

**University Medical Center Hospital Auxiliary** needs volunteers to staff its thrift shop, the Nearly New Boutique, at 116 East Main Street in Port Jefferson. For information, please call the Auxiliary office at 444-2699.

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**Bicycle. Men's three-speed,** 19" frame. Excellent condition.

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**Americana GE electric stove,** double oven, self-cleaning, \$100. Call 516-751-7371.

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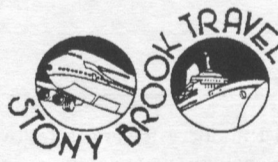
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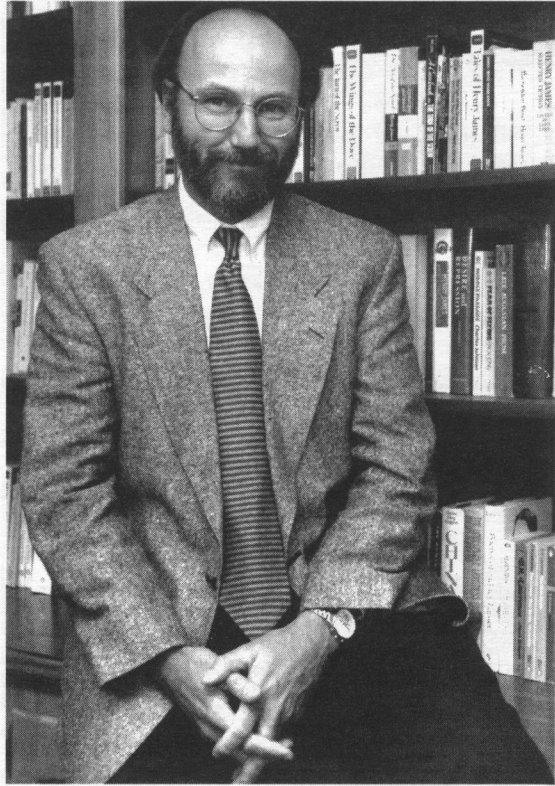
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## New Faces

### Distinguished Scholar Named Dean of Arts and Sciences



Dr. Paul B. Armstrong

A distinguished scholar of modern fiction and literary theory has been named to the new position of Dean of Arts and Sciences.

The new dean, Paul B. Armstrong, comes to Stony Brook from the University of Oregon where he was associate dean for humanities, College of Arts and Sciences. Dr. Armstrong has also served as head of the Department of English at Oregon, leading the department through a major rebuilding program in which approximately half of its 35 faculty were hired and new strengths were developed in literary theory, women's studies, and creative writing. Dr. Armstrong will be part of Stony Brook's Department of English.

"Stony Brook is delighted to have attracted a scholar and administrator of Dr. Armstrong's abilities," noted Provost Rollin C. Richmond.

"He will carry primary responsibility for establishing the new College of Arts and Sciences that will combine Stony Brook's liberal arts disciplines into a single coherent unit. The new College will continue Stony Brook's ongoing efforts to use our unique and important research capabilities to foster undergraduate education. Dr. Armstrong's experience and skills make him well suited for this task."

Dr. Armstrong, who holds both a Ph.D. and masters degree in modern thought and literature from Stanford University, received his bachelor of arts degree, summa cum laude, from Harvard, where he majored in history and literature. He joined the University of Oregon in 1986. Prior to that, he chaired the Literature and Science Program at the Georgia Institute of Technology and was Director of Undergraduate Studies,

Department of English, at the University of Virginia.

A prolific author, he has written several books and numerous articles in professional journals and is a frequent lecturer at institutions and conferences, world-wide. From 1990 to 1993, he represented Ph.D.-granting departments on the executive committee of the Modern Language Association's organization of English Department chairs.

He is a member of the Board of Trustees, Joseph Conrad Society of America and was the recipient of a Danish Research Academy Fellowship in 1994 in which he served as a visiting professor in comparative literature at the University of Copenhagen. Dr. Armstrong has been a member of several major advisory boards and commissions, including the National Council of Teachers of English Commission on Literature.

### Library Management Expert Accepts Dean/Director Post

A nationally prominent expert on library management has been named dean and director of libraries at Stony Brook.

Joseph J. Branin comes to Stony Brook from the University of Minnesota, where he served as associate university librarian for public services and collections. In that capacity, he was responsible for planning and coordinating public services and collection management activities across the fifth largest research library system in the country. He had line responsibility for public service, collection development, special collections, and archival units in the institution's central research libraries.

"Stony Brook is very pleased to have attracted a new Dean of Libraries who has a national reputation for his work and his vision for libraries in the information age," says Provost Rollin C. Richmond. "Joe Branin brings a wealth of experience to Stony Brook that will be critical as the University works to meet the rapidly changing information needs of our students and faculty."

At Stony Brook, Branin will direct a collection of more than 1.7 million volumes contained in the main Melville Library, the Music Library and seven science libraries.

Branin, who holds a masters in library science and a masters in English literature from the

University of Pittsburgh, earned a bachelor of arts degree in English literature from LaSalle College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Prior to joining the University at Minnesota library system in 1986, he was assistant director for collection development at the University of Georgia Libraries.

The new dean and director has been published extensively. His most recent volume, *Managing Change in Academic Libraries*, for which he served as editor, was released in 1995 by Haworth Press, New York. An article titled "Fighting Back Once Again: From Collection Management to Knowledge Management" appeared in the American Library Association's 1994 volume, *Collection Management and Development: Issues in an Electronic Era*.

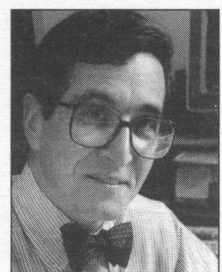
Branin is a frequent conference speaker and panelist, addressing groups ranging from librarians to management executives to journalists. He is a member of the Research Libraries Group, Shares Executive Group; Beta Phi Mu, the international Library Science Honor Society and the American Library Association. In 1984, Branin was selected as a Council on Library Resources Academic Library Management Intern and spent a year at Columbia University in New York City. In 1991, he participated in the UCLA Senior Fellows Program for leaders in academic librarianship.



Joseph J. Branin

## Newsmakers

A work by adjunct professor of art **Maren Hassinger** was included in an exhibition of 20th century American sculpture on display in the White House garden. The work was among those of 10 artists from the northeast selected for the exhibit by Marcia Tucker, curator of the New Museum of Contemporary Art in New York.



Paul Edelson

**Paul Edelson**, dean of the School of Professional Development, has been named to the Advisory Council of Suffolk's Literacy Volunteers of America. The non-profit agency trains volunteers to tutor, on a one-to-one or small group basis, adults in need of basic literacy or conversational English skills.

**Vera Baquet**, director of the Toscanini Infant Center at the Stony Brook Child Care Services, and Dr.

Victoria Rundberg-Rivera, a fellow in child psychology, were among the panelists in a recent video conference beamed to 1,500 professionals in 31 sites around the state. The video conclave, sponsored by the State Department of Social Services, also included clips of activities at Stony Brook's child care facilities.

Three Stony Brook professors are among 158 scholars and artists named recipients of 1996 John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowships to assist research and artistic creation. The Fellowships are awarded to men and women who have already demonstrated exceptional capacity for productive scholarship or exceptional creative ability in the arts. The average grant is \$28,481.

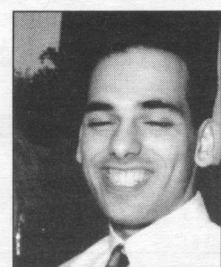
The three are: **Jainendra K. Jain**, associate professor of physics, for studies in condensed matter theory; **Axel Meyer**, associate professor of ecology and evolution, to study the developmental origins of biodiversity; and **Temma Kaplan**, professor of Women's Studies and history, to study the international development of women's grassroots leadership. Dr.

Kaplan has also been designated a Fellow of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars for the 1996-97 academic year for a research project entitled *Women's Leadership and Transitions to Democracy in Spain, Argentina, Chile and South Africa*.

**Norman Prusslin**, general manager of WUSB-FM, the campus radio station, has been re-elected to another one-year term as chairman of the board of directors of the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System, a post he has held since 1983. He has been a member of the IBS board since 1975. The organization is the oldest and largest association of high school, college and university non-commercial FM, carrier current radio stations and cable stations in the nation.

**Lenora McClean, R.N.**, dean of the School of Nursing, has been named chief nursing officer at University Hospital. A holder of degrees from St. Vincent's Hospital in Florida, Florida State University, and Teachers College, Columbia University, Dr. McClean has been at Stony Brook since 1973. She

became dean of the School of Nursing in 1981.



Carl Corry

**Carl Corry**, a May graduate of Stony Brook, has been named recipient of the Press Club of Long Island chapter, Society of Professional Journalists' annual scholarship. The \$1,000 award, co-sponsored by the chapter and *Newsday*, will allow Corry to pursue graduate studies at Stony Brook. Corry served as president of the Stony Brook student chapter of SPJ for 1995-96.

Social Science adjunct professor **Phyllis Levenstein** has won the New York State Reading Association's Literacy Award. Dr. Levenstein was cited for her national and international achievements as director of the Mother Child Home Program, a international literacy intervention effort that targets high risk toddlers.