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Honorary Degree Nominations Sought

The University community (including students) is invited to nominate candidates for SUNY honorary degrees to be awarded at the 1999 Stony Brook commencement. Nominations are due by Monday, April 20.

These degrees honor outstanding service to the University, New York State, the United States, or to humanity; recognize individuals whose lives are examples of Stony Brook's aspirations for its students; and recognize excellence in public affairs, science, humanities, the arts, scholarship and education, business, philanthropy, and social services.

To nominate someone, you need to submit more than their name. You must also submit a one-page summary about the nominee, a three- to five-page justification, and additional supporting documentation (a detailed vita, reviews or articles about the nominee's work, etc.).

Nominations should be sent to the Graduate School, 2401 Computer Science. For information or a list of previous honorary degree recipients,

Giving and Growing

Stony Brook has come a long way in just 40 years. This progress has been threatened, though, by cuts in SUNY's funding.

To keep Stony Brook moving forward, the University is launching a faculty and staff payroll deduction campaign. The theme is "Giving and Growing for the Next Forty Years." "Supporting the University through payroll deduction can help make that growth possible, now and in the decades ahead," says Ted Klubinski, director of The Fund for Stony Brook and coordinator for the Payroll Deduction Campaign.

Areas in need of support include:

- The Fund for Stony Brook
- General Scholarships
- Graduate Fellowships
- Library Acquisitions
- Campus BeautificationP.A.W.S. (Providing Athletes
- P.A. w.S. (Providing Athletes With Scholarships)Health Sciences Center
- Scholarships
 The Amie Hanes Memorial
 Fund

Watch your mailbox for details on how you can support Stony Brook through payroll deduction, or call Theresa Mackin at 632-6303 for more information.



To Sleep, Perchance to Dream

by Ann Ferrar Dusek

t first glance, the four bedrooms on the MR level of University Hospital look like any other private hospital rooms. But then you notice the microphones attached to the headboards and the infrared cameras pointing at the beds. Snaking through the ceilings are wires running to a room with TV monitors and polysomnographic machines (equipment that takes data on how the body functions during sleep.) The rooms and apparatus are part of Stony Brook's Sleep Disorders Center. Every year, 700 patients take a special snooze in those beds. In clinical terms, they are participating in a Sleep Study.

Patients with sleep disorders—including obstructive sleep apnea, chronic insomnia, restless leg syndrome, nocturnal eating, and circadian rhythm disruption—are observed during the night by technicians. Electrodes attached to points on the patient's body and scalp feed impulses to the polysomnographic machines, indicating brain wave patterns, heart rate, eye movements, muscle tone, and respiratory effort. The results are interpreted by Marta Maczaj, M.D., director of the center, and her staff, who then prescribe treatments.

The most common symptom that brings patients to the center is excessive daytime sleepiness, which affects the ability to work, relate to others, and drive. "Sometimes patients say they are not drowsy during the day," Maczaj says. "But then it comes out that they fall asleep when the lights go out for a slide presentation at work. They think this is normal but it's not. If you weren't sleep deprived, you might be bored but awake. Many people have sleep disorders without realizing it."

There are at least 80 sleep disorders, but 65% of patients who come to the center have obstructive sleep apnea, which occurs when the muscles of the upper respiratory airways collapse. This blocks breathing and causes hundreds of arousals during the night, even if the patient isn't aware of it. The patient's sleep partner knows it only too well, because the most obvious symptom is snoring. Apnea is rarely cured but can be managed. Chronic insomnia is usually a symptom of an underlying disorder; sleeplessness could be caused by anything from depression and anxiety to asthma and thyroid problems, which is why a complete medical exam and psychiatric history are taken.

Sleep loss has become epidemic in America. Two-thirds of the U.S. population suffers from sleep deprivation that is chronic or severe enough to send them to a doctor. Says Maczaj, "The worst thing for sleep was the harnessing of electricity. Before the lightbulb, it was hard to keep burning candles. Today, we stay up late watching TV, surfing the Net and so on. There are too many things that keep us up."

The demands of our industrialized society have caused us to tamper with our natural circadian rhythms, which are the body's desired patterns of sleep and wakefulness. Jet lag disrupts circadian rhythms temporarily; shift work does so continuously. More than 25 million Americans have non-traditional work schedules and many suffer from chronic sleep loss.

To help patients function at their best, the center recommends proper sleep hygiene. That means regular exercise, avoiding caffeine at night, and going to bed and getting up at the same time every day, including weekends. How much sleep do you need? There is no magic formula for everyone, but if you fall asleep instantly at night or need an alarm clock to wake up, you're not getting enough.

Some tests at the Sleep Disorders Center may be covered by insurance; others may not. Call the center at 444-2916 for more information.

Educators Ask: Research or Teach?

Why should university freshmen do research? Should faculty who make cutting-edge discoveries also be good teachers? Educators and students who are exploring these questions gathered at the Student Activities Center for a conference held March 30.

The conference, titled "Research and Undergraduate Education," brought together people who are challenging the assumption that research universities should put research first. Speakers included members of the Boyer Commission on Educating Undergraduates at the Research University, faculty and students working to change the way undergraduates learn, and representatives from public and private organizations.

The Boyer Commission, a national commission of leading educators supported by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, was chaired by Ernest L. Boyer, president of the Carnegie Foundation, until his death in 1995. Currently President Shirley Strum Kenny chairs the Commission, which comprises presidents of research universities, a Nobel Prizewinning scientist, and nationally known scholars and thinkers in various fields.

Doing research, said conference speaker David Ferguson, "engages students in the intellectual excitement of a university. Ferguson, director of Stony Brook's new Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching, described efforts here to get students involved in hands-on research early on in their college careers. "There are two forces coming together at Stony Brook," he noted. "More faculty are utilizing project- and problem-based education in lower-level courses, and more people are trying to create bridges between the lower-level courses and research activities on the other end."

At Carnegie Mellon University, faculty "are there as guides, not a hierarchy," said Indira Nair, associate department head of engineering and public policy at Carnegie Mellon. Undergraduates write grants and apply for their own research funding, "and at the end of the class, they know more than the faculty."

Deidre Ford, an undergraduate studying engineering at Stony Brook, spoke of her research projects, which could yield applications for advanced data storage. Through her work, she said, she has the opportunity to grow and align crys-

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tals, using knowledge of crystal structures gained from her materials science and physics courses. Ford's research also puts into practice what she has learned about optics and vacuum system design. "Classes provide technical theory and book learning, and the background to what I do in the lab," she said. Research, she continued, lets her explore and find other applications for what she's learned in class.

The theme of the day was perhaps best summed up by Robert McGrath, Stony Brook's deputy provost and professor of physics, who said, "The act of doing research fundamentally changes the way you learn."



Bike Path Construction

Work on a new path dedicated to cyclists will bring trucks and construction equipment to campus roadsides for the next few months. "The project isn't expected to disrupt traffic, but motorists and pedestrians should use caution around these areas," says Doug Little, Public Safety's assistant director for community affairs.

Crews will work along the sides of North Loop Road, South Loop Road, and Center Drive, building a new paved bike path. The path will circle the main campus and divide it in two while offering cyclists and pedestrians a route of their own.

Construction has already begun around the split between North Loop and South Loop Roads. It will proceed north along North Loop Road, past the railroad station to the north entrance, then move south on North Loop Road to the main entrance before following South Loop Road and returning to the split. The second phase of construction will follow Center Drive from North Loop Road to Entrance Drive.

The bike path will be dedicated to the memory of the late Paul Simons, an avid cyclist and son of James Simons, chairman of the Stony Brook Foundation Board.



Patrol With Pride

The campus community is invited to spend a few hours in the warm sunshine, sprucing up the campus grounds for Spring Pride Patrol on Wednesday, April 22. Volunteers will be gardening, painting, and helping with general campus cleanup. The day will end with an ice cream social at 4 p.m. in the Staller Center lobby. For information or to volunteer, call the Office of Conferences and Special Events, 632-6320.

Diversity Is

A column from the Assistant Vice President for Presidential Initiatives

What's Happening?

What do organizations like the National Association of College and University Business Officers, the Consortium on Financing Higher Education, the American Council on Education, the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges, the Association of American Colleges and Universities, the Association of Governing Boards of Colleges and Universities, the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education, the International Association for Management Education, and fifty other professional associations, councils, and consortiums have in common?

They recently published a statement in the *Washington Post, Higher Education and National Affairs, The Chronicle of Higher Education*, and several other major media outlets, entitled "On the Importance of Diversity in Higher Education." Since these groups comprise some of academia's and corporate America's most distinguished citizens, I thought it worthwhile to reproduce the statement here for your consideration. Far from the statement being merely a "politically correct" exercise, it is also reflected in the activities of these organizations; recognizing the need to translate the statement into concrete actions. Here then, in recognition of the relevance and importance of diversity to higher education, and to society at large:

"America's colleges and universities differ in many ways. Some are public, others are independent; some are large urban universities, some are two-year community colleges, others small rural campuses. Some offer graduate and professional programs, others focus primarily on undergraduate education. Each of our more than 3,000 colleges and universities has its own specific and distinct mission. This collective diversity among institutions is one of the great strengths of America's higher education system, and has helped make it the best in the world. Preserving that diversity is essential if we hope to serve the needs of our democratic society.

Similarly, many colleges and universities share a common belief, born of experience, that diversity in their student bodies, faculties, and staff is important for them to fulfill their primary mission: providing a quality education. The public is entitled to know why these institutions believe so strongly that racial and ethnic diversity should be one factor among the many considered in admissions and hiring. The reasons include:

- Diversity enriches the educational experience. We learn from those whose experiences, beliefs, and perspectives are different from our own, and these lessons can be taught best in a richly diverse intellectual and social environment.
- It promotes personal growth and a healthy society. Diversity challenges stereotyped preconceptions; it encourages critical thinking; and it helps students learn to communicate effectively with people of varied backgrounds.
- It strengthens communities and the workplace. Education within a diverse setting prepares students to become good citizens in an increasingly complex, pluralistic society; it fosters mutual respect and teamwork; and it helps build communities whose members are judged by the quality of their character and their contributions.
- It enhances America's economic competitiveness. Sustaining the nation's prosperity in the 21st century will require us to make effective use of the talents and abilities of all our citizens, in work settings that bring together individuals from diverse backgrounds and cultures.

American colleges and universities traditionally have enjoyed significant latitude in fulfilling their missions. Americans have understood that there is no single model of a good college, and that no single standard can predict with certainty the lifetime contribution of a teacher or a student. Yet, the freedom to determine who shall teach and be taught has been restricted in a number of places, and come under attack in others. As a result, some schools have experienced precipitous declines in the enrollment of African-American and Hispanic students, reversing decades of progress in the effort to assure that all groups in American society have an equal opportunity for access to higher education.

Achieving diversity on college campuses does not require quotas. Nor does diversity warrant admission of unqualified applicants. However, the diversity we seek, and the future of the nation, do require that colleges and universities continue to be able to reach out and make a conscious effort to build healthy and diverse learning environments appropriate for their missions. The success of higher education and the strength of our democracy depend on it."

The full list of fifty organizations endorsing this statement appears in the February 13 issue of the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, which can be accessed on the Web at http://chronicle.com. In the face of recent moves to counter affirmative action and diversity efforts in several states, it is significant that these associations composed of scholars and learned people have decided to take a stand on the issues, providing us with cause for reflection on how we have responded to these issues on a personal level within our own areas of higher education, as a faculty member, administrator, or student.

News and Views

Friday, April 24, is Diversity Day on campus. As a means of promoting intergroup dialogue, and as a means of celebrating diversity during Stony Brook's special fortieth anniversary week, the President's Student Advisory Council on Diversity and the Office for Diversity and Affirmative Action will sponsor a special multicultural celebration and activities on Friday, April 24, on the Academic Mall, from 12 noon to 2 p.m., with a surprise special ending starting at 1:45 p.m. The entire campus community is encouraged and welcome to attend. Food will be a part of the festivities.

— George J. Meyer

Give Blood

Did you know that nearly one-third of the blood used in the New York area is imported from Europe and other parts of the United States? That's because our region cannot meet its own demand for blood. This past winter took a toll on local blood supplies—donations to Long Island Blood Services dropped while hospital demands for blood increased.

A healthy person can give blood every 56 days (up to six times a year). So please, give blood in the Spring Blood Drive.

To make an appointment, call one of the numbers listed in the schedule below:

- ▼ April 21, 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Indoor Sports Complex; 632-6161.
- ♥ April 22, 12 noon-9:00 p.m., Sports Complex Arena Floor; 632-9392.
- ▼ April 23, 8:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m, Endeavour Hall-South Campus, 2-8700.

Blood donations are always welcome at the University Hospital Blood Bank, at your convenience. Call 444-2626 for an appointment; your parking sticker will be validated.

Have Your Say at Public Hearing

The SUNY Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on campus Tuesday, April 28, 2-3 p.m. in the Alliance Room of the Melville Library.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony and statements from concerned individuals about university-wide issues. Prepared testimony will be limited to five minutes, and must be submitted in writing to John J. O'Connor, Vice Chancellor and Secretary of the University, State University of New York Plaza, Albany, NY 12246. Include your telephone number and address. These statements must be received no later than noon on Friday, April 24. Speakers must provide six copies of their written testimony to the Hearing Registration Officer on the day of the hearing.

Those who want to make brief, extemporaneous comments (no more than three minutes) should file their names with the Hearing Registration Officer on the day of the hearing. Time for these comments will be set aside at the end of the hearing.

HAPPENINGS

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Forty Years This Spring

SAVE THESE APRIL 1998 DATES & CELEBRATE!

PREVIEW WEEKEND FRIDAY

Laurence Baxter Memorial Statistics Symposium.

Room P 131, Math Tower, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call Applied Mathematics and Statistics at 632-8370 for more information.

Tennis Match.

Men's Tennis vs. Concordia. Tennis Courts, 3:30 p.m.

Roth Quad Regatta.

Cardboard and duct tape boat race on Roth Pond. 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Carnival and Concert. Tabler Quad, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

A Celebration Honoring

Women Pioneers in Suffolk County Health Care.

Presented by Maternal Child Services in the Pro Health Dining Cafe, Level 5, University Hospital, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. (By invitation.)

SATURDAY

"Women Telling Women's Stories: Feminist Biography, Memoirs, Testimony, and Narrative."

Student Activities Center Auditorium, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Contact the Women's Studies Program at 632-7378 for more information.

Baseball Game.

Seawolves vs. Adelphi. Baseball Field, noon.

Alumni Association Reception and Dinner.

Student Activities Center, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (By invitation.)

Stony Brook Chamber Singers.

Staller Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

Dance Theatre of Harlem. Staller Center Main Stage, 8 p.m.

Student Arts Festival:

Alumni Theatre Night.

Theatre I, Staller Center, 10 p.m.

SUNDAY

Debbie Whittemore Memorial 5K Run. Sports Complex, 10 a.m.

Celebrando Unidad: Celebrating Unity. Academic Mall, 11 a.m.

Baroque Sundays at 3. Staller Center Recital Hall, 3 p.m.

College Bowl Preliminaries.

Residence Halls, all day. Call

632-6787 for more information.

ANNIVERSARY WEEK MONDAY

40 Years on Long Island

"The Human Dimensions of **Environmental Change.**"

Symposium. "Global Change" and "The Changing Local Environment." Student Activities Center Auditorium, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Call the Marine Sciences Research Center at 632-8701 for more information.

Student Arts Festival:

A Taste of the Arts.

Student performances all week. Student Activities Center Dining Hall, noon.

College Bowl Finals.

Stony Brook Union, 7 to 10 p.m.

Student Arts Festival Greeley Coffee House and Talent Show.

Greeley College, 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

Dreams & Politics

"The Human Dimensions of **Environmental Change."**

"The Environment and Human Health"; "Social and Historical Dimensions of Environmental Change." 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Call 632-8701 for more information.

Student Arts Festival: A Taste of the Arts.

Student performances all week. Student Activities Center Dining Hall, noon.

The Stony Brook Chamber Singers. Performance celebrating our 40th

anniversary. Melville Library Galleria, noon to 12:40 p.m.

Senior Art Exhibit.

Opening and reception, Staller Gallery, 5 p.m.

"New Gown in an Old Town."

Panel discussion. Alliance Room. Melville Library. Reception 7:30 p.m.

Poetry Slam!

Poetry contest, music, refreshments, prizes. University Bookstore, Melville Library, 8 p.m.

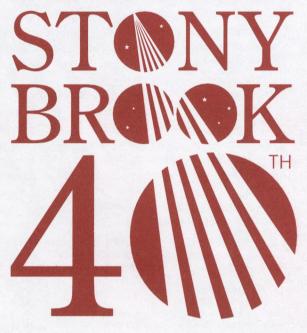
WEDNESDAY

Earth Day

Green Team Day and Campus Pride Patrol.

10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Planting of the Great Tree at 2:30, Student Activities Center Drive. Call Conferences and Special Events at 632-6320 for more information.

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ANNIVERSARY

Commuter Student Association Spring Fest Barbecue and Birthday Celebration.

Staller Plaza, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

"Swallow This."

Inter Fraternity and Sorority Council alcohol awareness presentation. Stony Brook Union Auditorium, noon,

Toyota Comedy Festival's Laugh Well Program.

Staller Center, 7 p.m. Call 444-2899 for tickets.

"Infectious Diseases and Society."

International Symposium. Opening reception, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Student Activities Center Lobby. Hosted by Molecular Genetics and Microbiology. For more information, e-mail to idsympos@ asterix.bio.sunysb.edu, or visit our Web site at: asterix.bio.sunysb.edu.

THURSDAY

The Town Greets the Gown

Continental Breakfast.

Commuter Commons, Room 144, Student Activities Center, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m

"Infectious Diseases and Society."

(See Wednesday, April 22 for more information.)

Spirit Night!

Munch and Mingle

International Symposium.

Student Arts Festival: A Taste of the Arts.

Student Activities Center Dining Hall, noon.

Softball Game.

Seawolves vs. Briarcliff. Softball Field, 3:30 p.m.

Stony Brook Village Center Celebrates the University!

Giant birthday cake. Shops and Grist Mill open. Carriage rides, puppet shows, clowns, Student Arts Festival performances, vintage fashion show, refreshments. 5:30 to 8 p.m. For Stony Brook faculty, staff, and their families.

Stony Brook Jazz Ensemble Concert Staller Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

Student talent show featuring skits, dances, and musical performances. Sports Complex, 7 p.m.

Sparechange Dance Theatre.

A Dance Theatre Laboratory. Staller Theatre II, 8 p.m.

Korean Cultural Show.

Student Activities Center Auditorium, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Diversity Day

"Infectious Diseases and Society." International Symposium. Student Activities Center Lobby, 8 a.m. to 4:10 p.m. (See Wednesday, April 22 for more information.)

Student Arts Festival: A Taste of the Arts.

Student Activities Center Dining Hall, noon.

International and **Multicultural Festival.**

Foods and music of many nations and cultures, and a surprise finale at 1:45 p.m. Academic Mall, noon to 2 p.m.

Filipino Fest '98.

Stony Brook Union Auditorium,

Sparechange Dance Theatre.

Staller Theatre II, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

School of Medicine Alumni Reunion Potluck Dinner and Talent Show. HSC Tower Gallery, Level 2, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Call 444-2899.

Haitian Students Organization Cultural Show.

Stony Brook Union Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.

Black Women's Weekend Fashion Show.

Student Activities Center Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Sparechange Dance Theatre. Staller Theatre II, 8 p.m.

Stony Brook Chorale: Love in the Spring. Staller Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

26 **Division I Lacrosse.**

Seawolves play University of North Carolina. Athletic Fields, 1 p.m. P.A.W.S. scholarship campaign celebration before the game. Call 632-7205.

Sparechange Dance Theatre.

Staller Theatre II, 2 p.m.

Ackerman Concert.

Graduate students from the Department of Music perform in memory of Dr. Lauren Ackerman. Staller Center Recital Hall, 4 p.m.

MONDAY

Grand Finale!

Stony Brook 40th Anniversary Celebration.

For students, faculty, and staff. Food, fun, and more, Academic Mall, 8:30 p.m.

For more information about 40th anniversary events, contact Pat O'Rourke, President's Office, 516-632-9115.



STONY BROOK: MANY VOICES, MANY VISIONS, ONE UNIVERSITY

April 15, 1998 HAPPENINGS **♦**3

CALENDAR

April 15 to April 29

SPECIAL EVENTS

4/16, Thursday. "Focus on India: Trade Investment Opportunities for U.S. Companies." 3:30-9 p.m., Huntington Hilton, Melville. Includes conference, networking reception, dinner, and keynote presentation by the Honorable Harsh Bhasin, Consul General of India. Presented by Stony Brook's Center for India Studies Foundation, and the Office of the Consulate General of India, and the Long Island Import-Export Associate. Advance registration requirement. For info on registration and fees, call the Long Island Import-Export Council at 783-1369.

4/16, Thursday. Free Prostate Cancer Screening. 5:30-6:30 p.m., Occupational Medicine Building #9, 2500 Nesconset Highway, Stony Brook. Also Monday, 4/20, 6:30-7:30 p.m., University Hospital; and Wednesday, 4/29, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Long Island Veterans Home. For info and appointments call 1-800-862-2215.

4/18, Saturday. "Women Telling Women's Stories: Feminist Biography, Memoirs, Testimony, and Narrative." Daylong conference sponsored by the Women's Studies Program. 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Room 116. Old Chemistry Building. Fees: \$20, \$15 with Stony Brook I.D., \$10 students. 632-9176.

4/19, Sunday. Debbie Whittemore Memorial 5K Run. 10 a.m. (registration 8-9:30 a.m.) Preregistration date 4/10. In memory of Debbie Whittemore, former Stony Brook student, student athletic trainer, and nurse. Proceeds will benefit the Debbie Whittemore Endowed Scholarship Fund. Entry fees: \$15 day of race; \$10 pre-registered community, faculty, staff; \$8 pre-registered students. For info call 632-7168.

4/21-22, Tuesday-Wednesday. Plant Sale. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Stony Brook Union Lobby.

4/22, Wednesday. Plant Sale. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Student Activities Center Lobby.

4/23, Thursday. Registration Deadline for May 1 Intramural Golf Tournament. Fee includes greens fees, raffle prizes, goodie bag, lunch. Faculty, staff, graduate students, guests \$32. Undergrads \$27. For info call Intramural Program 632-7168.

4/25, Saturday. School of Medicine 1998 Career Day. Sponsored by the School of Medicine Alumni Chapter. All medical students are invited and encouraged to participate. Tree House Cafe, Level 5 Hospital, 10 a.m.-2:15 p.m. Call Alumni Affairs 444-2899. E-mail address: Debra.Lang@sunvsb.edu.

4/25, Saturday. School of Medicine Class Reunions, Classes of 1978, 1983, 1988, and 1993. 8-12 p.m., Danford's Inn, Port Jefferson. Call 444-2899.

FOR CHILDREN

4/18-6/27, Saturdays. "Discovering India: A Children's Odyssey." Will introduce children ages 8-14 to aspects of India's civilization (history, culture, society, government, languages, literature, religions, science.) One-hour classes 11 a.m.-noon. Advance registration required. For info call Center for India Studies, 632-9742.

ART

4/21-5/14, Tuesday-Saturday. Senior Art Show. Juried exhibition of paintings, sculptures, ceramics, photographs, and works on paper from among the best work of this year's graduating class. University Art Gallery (Staller Center). Gallery hours: Tuesday-Friday noon-4 p.m. and Saturday 6-8 p.m. Admission is free.

4/22-5/1, Wednesday-Friday. "The Round Table: Art in Our Lives." Opening Reception 4/24. Stony Brook Union Art Gallery, Stony Brook Union. Gallery Hours: Monday-Friday noon-4 p.m. or by appointment. 632-6822.

4/22-6/26, Wednesday-Friday. "Prints, Photography, and Paintings." Works by Kim M. Anderson. University Affairs Conference Room, Room 330 Administration Building. Gallery hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Admission is free. 632-7699. Opening Reception 4/22 4-6 p.m.

HOSPITAL GRAND ROUNDS

4/15, Wednesday. "Hormone Replacement Therapy." Michael Gast, M.D., Ph.D., Vice President, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Clinical Research and Development, Wyeth Ayerst Research, Radnor, Pennsylvania. HSC, Level 2, Lecture Hall 3. 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

4/21, Tuesday. "The Rationale, Pitfalls and Preliminary Outcome Data in the Multi-center Treatment Studies of Anorexia Nervosa and Bulimia." Katherine Halmi, M.D., Professor of Psychiatry, Director, Eating Disorders Program, Cornell Medical. HSC, Level 3, Lecture Hall 6. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

4/22, Wednesday. "Ovulation Induction in the Difficult Patient." Glenn Schattman, M.D., Assistant Professor, Center for Reproductive Medicine & Infertility, The New York Hospital, Cornell Medical Center. HSC, Level 2, Lecture Hall 3. 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

4/28, Tuesday. Child Outpatient Program: Case Presentation. Gabrielle Carlson, M.D. Professor of Psychiatry. HSC, Level 3, Lecture Hall 6. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

LECTURES

4/15, Wednesday.
"Magical Imperialism"
Fernando Coronil, Professor
of Anthropology, University of
Michigan. Cosponsored by
Departments of Hispanic
Languages & Literature and
Anthropology. 4:30 p.m.,
LACC Conference Room, N320, Social and Behavioral
Sciences Building.

4/16, Thursday. "Toxic and Deficiency Optic Neuropathies." Simmons Lessell, M.D., Massachusetts Eye and Ear. 6:30-8 p.m., HSC Level 4, Radiology Lecture Hall. 444-1111.

4/17, Friday. "Garbology: The Anthropology of Us." William Rathje, University of Arizona. 12:30 p.m., Marine Sciences Research Center, 120 Endeavour Hall. Refreshments at 12:15.

4/17, Friday. "Innovations in the Surgery of Male Infertility." Marc Goldstein, M.D., Professor of Urology, New York Hospital, Cornell Medical Center. HSC, Department of Urology Conference Room, Level 9, Room 040, 8-9 a.m.

4/22, Wednesday. "Ricketsial Diseases." Daniel New M.D. HSC, Level 3, Lecture Hall 5, 8 a m

4/22, Wednesday. (Title to be Announced.) Frank McCormick, director of the Cancer Research Institute and Cancer Center at the University of California/San Francisco. His work on the Ras oncogene and his discovery of RasGAP have contributed to the understanding of this gene in normal and cancer cells. 4 p.m., HSC Lecture Hall 1, Level 2.

4/23, Thursday. "Border-Crossings: Transnational Film Authors and the State of Latin American Cinema." Marvin D'Lugo, Professor of Spanish and Screen Studies, Clark University. Cosponsored by Hispanic Languages & Literature and Comparative Studies. 4:30 p.m., LACC Conference Room, N-320, Social and Behavioral Sciences Building.

4/24, Friday. "New Trends in Voiding Dysfunction." Steven Kaplan, M.D., Professor and Vice Chairman of Urology, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University. HSC, Department of Urology Conference Room, Level 9, Room 040. 8-9 a.m.

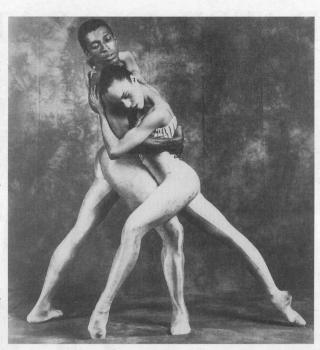
4/24, Friday. "Aggregation of Particles in Marine Systems." George Jackson, Texas A&M University. 12:30 p.m., Marine Sciences Research Center, 120 Endeavour Hall. Refreshments at 12:15 p.m.

4/24, Friday. Department of Linguistics Spring '98 Colloquium Series. 3:30 p.m., Room S-207, Social and Behavioral Sciences Building. John Singler, New York University. For info call 632-7777.

4/27, Monday. Women's Health Lecture Series: "Sexually Transmitted Diseases: Issues and Solutions. This lecture will cover the current methods of prevention, screening, and treatment of STDs. Risk behaviors will also be discussed. The speaker will be Hitesh Narain, M.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Medicine. Community Room, Lower Level, Emma S. Clark Memorial Library, 120 Main Street, Setauket. 7-8:30p.m. Pre-register due to limited seating. Call 941-4080.

4/28, Thursday. "Beauty and Color, Miss Italia, 1996." Robert Viscusi, Brooklyn College. 6:30 p.m., Melville Library Room N4000.

4/28, Tuesday. "Colombia, 1945-1975: From Partisan Struggle to Social Conflict." Mauricio Archila, Professor of History, Universidad Nacional (Bogota). Cosponsored by the Department of History. 12:30 p.m., LACC Conference Room, N-320, Social and Behavioral Sciences Building.



The Dance Theatre of Harlem brings its signature blend of power, passion, and perfection to the Staller Center Main Stage Saturday, April 18 at 8 p.m. (\$26, students and children half price.)

4/28, Wednesday. Breast Cancer Update '98 focusing on the latest in Breast Cancer Diagnosis. The program is presented by University Hospital and Medical Center at Stony Brook, The Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund, Inc. and the Bell Atlantic Foundation. The public is invited to the seminar, but seating is limited. To register or for more informatoion, please call 444-2899. This program is free of charge and parking is free.

FILM

4/20, Monday. I Don't Want to Talk About It. 3:20 p.m. Frank Melville Memorial Library, Language Learning Center, Room 5004.

4/27, Monday. Ready to Wear. 3:20 p.m. Frank Melville Memorial Library, Language Learning Center, Room 5004.

DANCE

4/18, Monday. Dance Theatre of Harlem. 8 p.m., Staller Center Recital Hall. Tickets \$26 (limited availability). Students and children half price.

4/23-26, Thursday-Sunday. SpareChange (creative laboratory for students interested in dance.) Staller Center Theatre II. Thursday-Saturday 8 p.m.; Sunday 2 p.m. (Also 4/30-5/3.) Tickets \$10, \$8 senior citizens, students, children.

4/25-26, Saturday-Sunday. Seiskaya Ballet. The company, along with guest artists Peter Jacobsson, Sergio Neglia, Hagop Kharatian, and Edgar Varadanian, will perform a series of vibrant pas de deux. Staller Center Main Stage. Saturday 8 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m. Tickets \$22, \$18 children and senior citizens.

MUSIC

4/14, Tuesday. University Wind Ensemble performing works by Verdi, Bach, Leroy Anderson, Humperdinck, Richard Rogers, Berlioz, and Gershwin. 8 p.m., Staller Center Main Stage. Tickets \$6, \$3 students and senior citizens.

4/15, Wednesday. Contemporary Chamber Players. 8 p.m. Staller Center Recital Hall. Free admission

4/18, Saturday. Chamber Singers. 8 p.m. Staller Center Recital Hall. Tickets \$6, \$3 students and senior citizens.

4/19 Sunday. Baroque Sundays at Three. Some recent Stony Brook graduates, led by the popular Long Island harpsichordist HoSun Moon. 3 p.m. Staller Center Recital Hall. Free admission.

4/23, Thursday. Stony Brook Jazz Ensemble. Directed by renowned bassist Todd Coolman. 8 p.m. Staller Center Recital Hall. Tickets \$6, \$3 students and senior citizens.

4/25, Saturday. Stony Brook Chorale. Featuring Brahms' waltzes, the *Liebeslieder Walzer* and *Four Ancient Spanish Songs* arranged by Lukas Foss and Joaquin Nin. 8 p.m., Staller Center Recital Hall. Tickets \$6, \$3 students and senior citizens.

4/26, Sunday. Ackerman Concert. Performances by Stony Brook graduate students in memory of Dr. Lauren Ackerman. 4 p.m., Staller Center Recital Hall. Free admission.

4/27-28, Monday-Tuesday. Chamber Music Festival. Chamber music from the Baroque to the present. 8 p.m., Staller Center Recital Hall. Free admission.

Remember Bliss

April 12 would have been her 26th birthday. Known to many on campus, especially in the Africana Studies and Anthropology departments, Bliss Verdon was energetic and on her way to a successful future. She graduated from Stony Brook in 1995 with a degree in both Africana Studies and Anthropology. She died unexpectedly in 1997.

Last month, friends and family gathered at a benefit concert to celebrate a young life that ended too soon. The goal of the evening was to raise enough money to establish an endowed scholarship at Stony Brook in Bliss's memory. To date, proceeds from the event coupled with contributions and pledges from the Stony Brook community total \$6,766.

Verdon's friends and family hope to finish what was started. By raising an additional \$3,234, the University can establish a scholarship that will allow Bliss Verdon's name to live on. The scholarship will provide support for a full-time junior or senior who demonstrates a commitment to helping others through volunteer or community service, and who demonstrates an academic focus on and commitment to African issues through his or her university course work. The recipient may also use the scholarship to supplement costs to pursue study abroad in Africa.

If you would would like to make a contribution to the Bliss Verdon Scholarship Fund, please contact Brigette Bryant in the College of Arts and Sciences at 632-8520 (Melville Library, Room E3320, Z-3391).

Expanded Hours at Staller Box Office

Never have time to buy tickets to shows at the Staller Center? You should know that the Staller Center box office is now open every night of the working week until 6 p.m. The new hours (noon to 6 p.m. Monday to Friday, and an hour before all ticketed shows) make it possible for faculty and staff to pick up tickets on the way home from work. Tickets may also be purchased 24 hours a day at the website: www.staller.sunysb.edu. The Center's new telephone number is

Staller, which boasts the Island's largest screen and full Dolby sound is the venue for the mammoth Stony Brook Summer Film Festival. The event, running from July 17 to August 1, will feature a mix of classics, foreign films, art movies, and the year's hits, as well as live interviews with stars and directors, panel discussions, and a filmmaking institute. New independent features, shorts, and videos from the Long Island Film Festival will be shown throughout the Summer Film Festival. A limited number of discounts are available on passes sold before May 15, and passes may be bought for both or either of the two weeks of showings. A full schedule of the event will be available after June 15.

And Patricia Cohen, director of marketing for the Center, promises a full calendar for the Fall: "We are tremendously excited about the diversity and high level of entertainment coming to the Staller Center next season."