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UHMC Addresses Childhood Cancer

The "Evening of Hope," with its dual purpose of commemorating National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and kicking off the Sunrise Fund's Long Island Gold Ribbon Campaign, took place September 28 at the University Hospital and Medical Center.

Approximately 100 faculty, staff, community members, families, and children who have received or are receiving treatment at the Hospital attended the program.

The evening was highlighted with remarks by Dr. Norman Edelman, Vice President of the Health Sciences Center and Dean of the School of Medicine; Barbara Grodd, Director of Advancement for the Cancer Institute of Long Island; Geri Barish, President of 1 in 9, the Long Island Breast Cancer Action Coalition; Dr. Robert Parker, Director of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at UHMC; and Susan Shiebler and Maureen Brennan, whose children are receiving treatment at UHMC and who are advocates of the Sunrise Fund and Long Island Gold Ribbon Campaign.

Sunrise
Fund

A NEW DAY FOR CHILDREN WITH CANCER

According to Shiebler, the Sunrise Fund, now one year old, originated through a series of discussions she had with Dr. Parker; they realized that there was no vehicle in place to raise funds for childhood cancer care and research in Suffolk County.

"Children and families live in a microcosm when kids are diagnosed with cancer," said Shiebler. "It's distinguished from adult cancer by being a silent cancer."

To spread the message, the Sunrise Fund has created an advisory council, which oversees fundraising events. In addition, Shiebler, Brennan, and Dr. Parker have traveled to Albany and Washington, D.C., to discuss childhood cancer and to initiate the Gold Ribbon campaign, which was begun to elevate awareness of childhood cancers.

"One in 330 children will develop cancer by the time they're 20," said Shiebler. "Because there is currently no known cause of childhood cancer, research into finding a cure can potentially save the lives of thousands of children in years to come."

For more information, call the Sunrise Fund (631) 444-7206 or log on to www.sunrisefund.org.

Peres Lecture Rallies Capacity Crowd

On the same day that Mideast peace talks stalled between the Israelis and Palestinians, Shimon Peres, the former Prime Minister of Israel, addressed a capacity crowd of more than 600 people gathered in the Student Activities Center auditorium. His topic, "Battling for Peace," addressed efforts to achieve lasting peace in the Middle East.

In introducing Peres, President Shirley Strum Kenny said, "We're particularly pleased to have Shimon Peres here because Stony Brook is truly a microcosm of the world—a diverse experience. As the students say, 'Diversity is the one thing we all have in common.'" President Kenny spoke about Peres's impressive half-century career, which included a term as Israeli Prime Minister (1994-1996) and a special honor as a joint recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize (1994).

Peres began his address by trumpeting the dawn of an era where a "new economy based on science and technology" will prove more important in determining the future than sovereign borders and shared holy sites in the region. He spoke about the sacrifice of human lives over mutually coveted territory through the ages: "Our forefathers were not bad people, but we had to defend land, build fences, build sovereignties. All of this is no longer necessary. The riches of discovery are far greater."

He also discussed the new, global economy, posing and then answering this question: "Why did the Soviet Union all of a sudden collapse? Not because of military intervention or political pressure or internal revolution ... television played a great force in bringing Communism down." During his talk, he addressed fund allocation, stating that governments should spend less money on military matters and more on education and research. "Missiles don't stop at fences or Maginot lines; pollution is unimpressed by sovereignties," he said.

Peres urged humanity to unite and not build boundaries and borders. He ended his talk with a parable about a rabbi who asked students how to determine where day begins and night ends. After several students answered in literal terms, the rabbi gave his own definition. "When you meet a man, whether black or white, and say, 'you are my brother,' and when you meet a woman, whether black or white, and say, 'you are my sister,' then the night is over and the day has begun."



President Kenny and Shimon Peres

NSF Awards Nearly \$8M in Funding

The Materials Research Science and Engineering Center (MRSEC) has been awarded nearly \$8 million by the National Science Foundation (NSF), making the University one of 11 institutions nationwide with existing MRSECs to receive such funding.

"We are doing world-class research at Stony Brook and these awards recognize the importance of that work," said President Kenny. "The extraordinary talents of our people are being put to good use to advance technology that will have an impact on the region, the state, the nation, and the world."

The Center for Thermal Spray Research was awarded \$4 million to study Novel Materials, Processes, and Surfaces by Thermal Spray. The center is the only one of its kind in the country that focuses on thermal spray coatings critical to the operation of many engineering components and systems such as bridge and transportation infrastructure.

Stony Brook and Cornell University were the only New York institutions to receive the funding, which spans a period of five years.

"The National Science Foundation's announcement that the Materials Research Center at Cornell—and two research centers at SUNY Stony Brook—have been awarded a combined total of nearly \$30 million in federal funding is outstanding news for New York State," said Governor George E. Pataki. "New York has made wise investments in research facilities at both universities, and it is becoming increasingly clear that these investments are paying off in terms of leveraging additional federal research dollars. The cutting-edge research being conducted at both of these institutions will also position New York to secure the high-tech, high-salary jobs of the future."

\$1M Funding for Pathology Lab

State legislators announced the funding of \$1 million for the creation and staffing of a pathology laboratory at the Marine Sciences Research Center (MSRC) to study the cause of the lobster die-off in Long Island Sound, as well as other diseases plaguing local shellfish and finfish. The laboratory is a key element of the newly created Marine Disease Consortium that was established by state legislation earlier this year.

The creation of the new facility was made possible by local state legislators who acted in response to the 1999 lobster die-off in Long Island Sound. State Senators James Lack, Ken LaValle, Carl Marcellino, and Owen Johnson, and Assemblymen Steven Englebright and James Conte joined in making the announcement along with President Kenny at Harborfront Park in Port Jefferson.

"It is vital to the economy and to the community that we have a facility that provides us with the capability to do this important research, and Stony Brook is just the right place to do it," President Kenny said. "The legislators deserve credit for getting this funding and taking this critical step to protect an industry that is vital to Long Island and the state."

The funding makes it possible for researchers in an on-site facility to study firsthand diseases that have an impact on shellfish and finfish. More than 900 lobstermen statewide were affected by the 1999 lobster die-off in Long Island Sound. The harvesting of lobsters is a \$100 million industry annually in the state.

The Marine Disease Consortium will establish diagnostic capabilities to conduct research and study marine

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Second Annual George Goodman
Memorial Symposium

Headlines in Bioethics

November 2, 6:30 p.m.
SAC Auditorium

Featuring the Dean of Yale University
School of Medicine and
Former Commissioner of the U.S.
Food and Drug Administration

David A. Kessler, M.D.

"Decades of Deception and
the Search for Truth"
The Tobacco Wars

and speakers

Professor Ruth R. Faden, Ph.D.
Professor Peter Williams, J.D., Ph.D.
Dr. Steven Goodman, Moderator

The symposium is free and
open to the public.
Please call 632-7002 to RSVP.

The Center for Study of
Executive Leadership and
The Center for
Regional Policy Studies
present

**THE CAREY YEARS:
LEADERS IN GOVERNMENT**
Featuring Keynote Speaker

Former Governor Hugh Carey

This third symposium in the series will examine the impact of the Carey administration on the State of New York. The program will begin with registration at 8:00 a.m. in the SAC lobby and a welcome at 8:30 a.m. by President Kenny and Senator Ken LaValle in the SAC auditorium. Panel discussions by members of the Carey administration will follow, with the luncheon keynote address at 1:00 p.m.

**October 17
8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Student Activities Center**

All are welcome!
Please call 632-9020 or 632-9021 to
register for the luncheon.

Conference on Eating Disorders

Stony Brook's Department of Family Medicine, in cooperation with the Bio-Behavioral Institute of Great Neck and the Division of Adolescent Medicine at Schneider Children's Hospital, will present a two-day conference titled "Healing in Eating Disorders" on October 27-28. The conference and workshops will explore the limitations of current approaches to treatment and will expand on cutting-edge scientific information as well as on the importance of humanism, love, and reconnection in healing.

There will also be pre- and post-conference institutes, as well as a special dinner and healing ceremony at the Three Village Inn on October 27 from 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. The dinner, which is \$50 per person, is open to the public.

The conference will feature presentations by medical and mental health professionals. National and international experts will explore biological, psychological, social, and spiritual approaches.

The conference is designed to be of interest and importance to physicians, counselors, nutritionists, and other professionals who deal with eating disorders, but the public is invited to register. For more information and to register for the main conference, contact the Office of Continuing Medical Education at 444-2094. To register for the pre- and post-conference institutes as well as for the special dinner, please call 444-4393.



Faculty/Staff Directory

During the month of October, watch for your copy of the 2000-2001 Telephone Directory. This year, to ensure efficient distribution, each copy will be individually labeled and delivered through the campus mail.

New Director of WISE Named

On September 26, Stony Brook celebrated the appointment of Dr. Susan Larson, Professor of Anatomy, as Director of the Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) program. At a reception given in her honor in the Alliance Room, Dr. Larson spoke about a new vision for WISE. "The happy news is that the University component of WISE is now fully supported by Stony Brook," said Dr. Larson. "And plans are underway to make WISE a four-year program."

Ann Sutton and Sally Sternglanz, Mentor Supervisors, provided a brief history of the program and outlined the benefits to undergraduate women of being immersed in a mentoring community of scientists. "The purpose of WISE is to provide the tools, the confidence, and the hands-on experience to help women become successful in traditionally male-dominated fields such as engineering," said Dr. Sternglanz.



Dr. Susan Larson

Marci Lobel, Professor of Psychology and Associate Director for WISE Admissions, commented on the wide range of scientific interests of this year's incoming WISE women. "Many of our incoming students used to be pre-med," she stated. "This year, we have more students coming in with interests in marine science, geology, and computer science."

Faculty and staff are invited to participate in WISE as advisors, project leaders, or members of its working group. All are welcome at WISE's evening events, held throughout the year. Coming up is an exciting series of lectures sponsored by Salomon Smith Barney (SSB) titled "Women in Technology: Young Women at the Crossroads." The kickoff lecture, "Breaking Out of the Box," will feature four executives from SSB and Citigroup on Tuesday, October 17, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., in the SAC Auditorium. To learn more about WISE, call the WISE office at 632-6947.



Study abroad students have studied the lemur populations of Madagascar.

Students Depart for Madagascar

The Institute for the Conservation of Tropical Environments (ICTE) and the Office of Study Abroad recently hosted a dinner reception held in honor of the Stony Brook-Madagascar class of Fall 2000.

For the sixth consecutive year, the ICTE and the Office of Study Abroad sent a group of young researchers to the Madagascar rainforest to conduct independent research projects and to enhance their knowledge of the world.

Under the guidance of Anthropology Professor and Executive Director of ICTE Patricia Wright, these 11 young scholars embarked on a nine-week venture that will give them the opportunity to experience firsthand the tropical environment of the Madagascar rainforest. Students will be living and working at the Ranomafana National Park Research Station, established by Professor Wright, sharing the research station with scientists actively engaged in biodiversity research.

Past research done by students who have participated in this unique program include studies of the lemur populations, the effect of a national park on the surrounding communities, and studies related to the life cycles of other species found abundantly in the region.

Joining the students at the reception were Malagasy research students Jonah Ratsimbazafy and Serge Ratsirahonana, currently at Stony Brook; Dr. Lawrence Martin, Dean of the Graduate School and Director of International Programs; Dr. Teng-fong Wong, Associate Dean of International Programs; and the staffs of ICTE and the Office of Study Abroad.

At the reception, one student described the program as a "once in a lifetime opportunity" and "a great chance for undergraduates to gain hands-on research experience that will help them, especially if they want to go to graduate school."

The Madagascar field school program is just one of more than 20 Study Abroad programs available through Stony Brook and one of more than 300 available throughout the SUNY system. For more information about this and other Study Abroad opportunities, contact the Office of Study Abroad at 632-7030.

President's Lecture Series

Rita Moreno "The Lively Arts"

**October 25
12:40 p.m.-2:10 p.m.
Staller Center, Main Stage**



Performer Rita Moreno traces the history and development of film, television, and theatre from inception to present day. At the end of each sequence, she does a dramatic reading that illustrates the best of each of these modalities. For more information, please call 632-6320.

Presidential Awards and Mini-Grants

Faculty and staff are invited to take part in this year's Presidential Awards programs and Mini-Grant programs.

The two Presidential Mini-Grant programs—Departmental Diversity Initiatives and Innovative Teaching Projects—focus on improving teaching and learning at the University by providing funding and recognition to departments and individuals who undertake projects designed to advance these aspects of the University's mission.

The three Presidential Awards programs—Excellence in Classified Service, Excellence in Diversity and Affirmative Action, and Excellence in Teaching as Part-Time Faculty—help us to recognize the wonderful work that goes on at Stony Brook and to thank those people whose commitment, ability, and spirit have made the University a great place.

The application deadline for the Awards programs and the Mini-Grant programs is December 1, 2000. Faculty and staff should have received the 2000/2001 Call for Nominations and Applications booklet in the mail. If you did not receive it, or if you have questions about the programs, please call 632-7272.

In addition, nomination booklets for the Chancellor's/President's Awards for Excellence in Teaching, Excellence in Librarianship, Excellence in Professional Service, and designation to the ranks of Distinguished Teaching Professor and Distinguished Service Professor will be distributed by campus mail shortly. The deadline for these awards is December 14, 2000.

All Mini-Grant, President's Awards, and Chancellor's Awards application and nomination booklets will be available within two weeks on the Web. You can find them at www.sunysb.edu/pres/presawards/MiniGrants.htm.

A Day of Renewal And Hope

Breast cancer survivors and their caregivers will celebrate A Day of Renewal and Hope at the Sienna Spiritual Center in Water Mill on Wednesday, October 25. The all-day gathering begins at 9:00 a.m. and features a panel discussion titled "Breast Cancer: Beyond the Fear." Panelists are Dr. John Kovach, Director of the Cancer Institute of Long Island; Dr. Brian O'Hea, Medical Director of the Carol M. Baldwin Breast Care Center; and Dr. Louis Avvento, East End Hematology, Oncology.

The landmark STAR trial will also be discussed. STAR is designed to determine whether the osteoporosis prevention and treatment drug Raloxifene is as effective as Tamoxifen in reducing the risk of breast cancer.

Participants will join in demonstrations of various therapies including dance and art therapy, meditation, massage, tai chi, and others.

A Day of Renewal and Hope is free and includes a lunch. Space is limited. To register, please call the South Fork Breast Health Coalition at (631) 726-8606.

Adventure in Biotechnology

Hands-on Laboratory Experience for Students in Grades 6, 7, or 8

**Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
October 28, November 4 and 11
Biotechnology Teaching Laboratory, 018 Life Sciences**

October 28, Genes: Where Are They and What Do They Do?
November 4, Genes: What Are They Made of?
November 11, Genes: How Are They Used to Solve Crimes and Track Disease?

The cost is \$60 per three-week session and there is a maximum of 20 students per session. To register, call Judy Nimmo at 632-9750.

Lobster Lab

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animal disease, as well as support research on the underlying causes and management of pathology issues. An eight-member advisory board for the group includes representation from Stony Brook, New York State Sea Grant, Long Island University, Cornell University, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, and the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets. The consortium also will be working with representatives of local marine industries, including the Long Island Lobsterman's Association.

"The consortium—and the pathology lab, in particular—will enhance the ability of the Marine Sciences Research Center to do groundbreaking research that will help identify potential causes of disease affecting marine life in the region and state, in order to protect our resources and local industries, and that is good news," said Marvin Geller, Dean of the Marine Sciences Research Center.

The consortium expects to have temporary space available to house the pathology lab as soon as Spring 2001 and a permanent space for the lab there in the fall.

**STONY
BROOK
CARES**

Dear Colleagues:

I am writing to ask your support for the Stony Brook Cares campaign that I am chairing this year. Stony Brook Cares is the new, combined campaign for SEFA and the United Way. It takes its name from last year's highly successful slogan. SEFA, which is the State Employees Federated Appeal, and the United Way are the campaigns for State and Research Foundation and other employees, respectively. In the spirit of one University, we have merged the two campaigns under one slogan. This is the only appeal that is authorized for Stony Brook employees to demonstrate their support for those in our community that need extra, special assistance from the agencies that are funded through Stony Brook Cares.

In 1999-00, Stony Brook employees contributed a record of \$152,000 with contributions from faculty and staff members. 12.7% of the employees participated. We are the largest State employee group on Long Island and our contributions constitute a significant portion of the money collected here. However, our upstate sister campuses have significantly higher participation rates and correspondingly bigger donations. We would like to correct this imbalance and let SUNY know that we are the flagship campus by any measure!

Our goal for this year is to increase the number of contributors! If every employee were to donate just one dollar per pay period using the easy payroll deduction plan, for a total of \$26 per year, our total contributions would be more than \$270,000, nearly double last year's!

When you participate in Stony Brook Cares, you are encouraged to designate the agency or agencies to which you want your contribution to go. This will ensure that your contribution will have the greatest impact on the causes that are important to you and your family. Remember that Stony Brook has three agencies on the list that you can designate for your contributions. These support important programs here on campus. They are the University Hospital Auxiliary, the Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund, Inc., and Stony Brook Child Care Services, Inc. A contribution to these organizations aids the campus as well as the community.

The campaign will start in early October and will run through mid-December. Literature concerning Stony Brook Cares, including the list of agencies you can designate, will be sent to all faculty and staff. Area captains will assist to make sure that you have received the informational packet and to answer any questions you may have about how to contribute. In addition to the payroll deduction plan, contributions may be made by check, cash, or by donation of appreciated securities.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call my office (2-8380/81) and either I or one of my colleagues will be happy to discuss the campaign with you.

Yacov Shamash

Yacov Shamash
Vice President for Economic Development and
Dean of Engineering and Applied Sciences

SB Day in Albany

We Need You to Make It Happen on February 13, 2001!

Last February, President Kenny and 128 members of the Stony Brook community filled three buses and traveled up to the State Capitol. Students, faculty, and staff from every corner of the campus joined together to let our legislators know how Stony Brook made a difference for them. We made quite an impression.

This year we can make a major impact. We'd like to fill a lot more buses and take Albany by storm, spreading the Stony Brook message and letting our elected officials see firsthand how much this University means to all of us.

President Kenny will again be leading our delegation to the State Capitol. "I encourage all of our students, faculty, and staff who are able, to consider joining me in our annual Stony Brook Day visit to Albany in February 2001," said President Kenny. "Last February the group was outstanding. The enthusiasm for the University was incredible. Your extraordinary efforts will have a strong impact in the State Legislature and the Governor's office."

"You put a human face on the University and added an invaluable dimension to the pages of plans, blueprints, and supporting documents in trying to win the votes of the more than 200 men and women elected to the Senate and Assembly."

— James Lack, New York State Senator

A large turnout shows our State representatives how much their support means to us. Legislators want to know what you think and how you feel.

This is your opportunity to talk to the people whose decisions affect your lives. You are their constituency. Your presence will be noticed. Your voice will be heard.

New York State Assemblyman Steven Englebright said, "It is heartening to see the University at Stony Brook encouraging the involvement of students, faculty, and staff in Stony Brook Day. Last year's presentation was outstanding and I look forward to seeing all of you in Albany in 2001."

CELEBRATE SYLVIA 2000



Auction and Wine Tasting

To Benefit the
Sylvia Geoghegan Fund

**Thursday, November 30
6:00 p.m.
SAC Lobby/Auditorium**

Sample some of Long Island's finest wines from Pindar vineyards and enjoy fine cuisine from several local restaurants.

A display of Sylvia's artwork will be featured.

Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 day of event.

For ticket information, contact Edward O'Connell at 632-9674 or 632-6410.

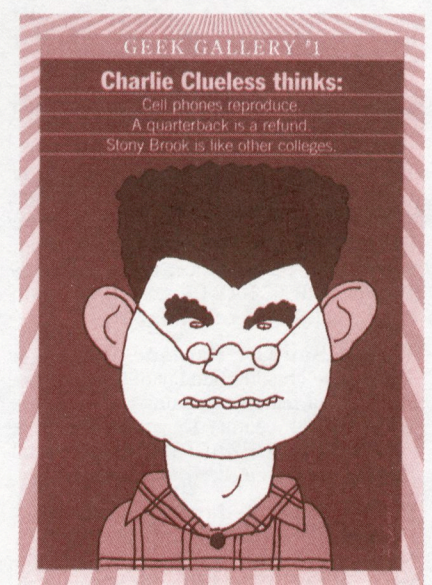
If you have items to donate for the auction, please contact Carol Ann Hochbrueckner at 298-4624.

For disability accommodations, call 632-6748.

Visit the Geek Gallery at Tower

Have you seen Charlie Clueless in Tower Records? He is the first in a series of "Geek Gallery" postcards.

Why is Charlie in a geek gallery? Simple: He thinks Stony Brook is like other colleges.



Charlie Clueless

The cards are part of a ten-month promotion that began in August to pique people's curiosity about Stony Brook and to get potential students to contact the Admissions Office.

The cards can be found in ten different Tower Records locations in the New York metro area, which includes three stores on Long Island: Carle Place, Huntington, and Massapequa Park. They can also be found on the Web at www.maxracks.com. Visit the Web site and send an electronic postcard of Charlie to a friend.

Special Events

Boss's Day

Monday, October 16, 12:00-2:00 p.m.
Treat your boss to lunch at the University Club! Enjoy a buffet offering chicken marsala, stuffed filet of sole, and penne sicilia. Listen to harpist Debra Bora. Buffet \$9.95 plus tax and gratuity. For reservations, call Lana at 632-7069.

Wine Tasting Festival

Friday, October 27, 12:00-2:00 p.m.
Enjoy a wine tasting with a buffet lunch featuring beef burgundy, coq au vin, and herb-crusted scrod. Three Long Island wineries will be featured. Listen to jazz pianist Kenny McKenzie. Buffet \$9.95 plus tax and gratuity. Call Lana at 632-7069 for reservations.

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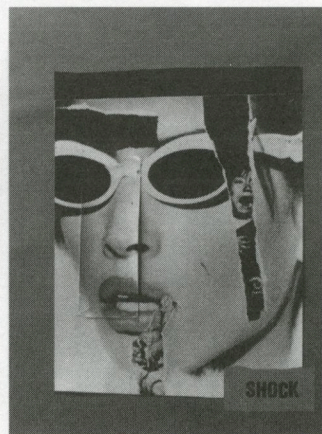
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HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Asegurando Nuestro Futuro: Assuring Our Future



Ruben Cruz's "Trickster" and Belenna Lauto's "Culture Shock"

OCTOBER 9- DECEMBER 6

Art Exhibit: "Años de Suenos/Years of Dreams," by Hector A. DeCordova, Latin American Caribbean Studies Center Conference Room, SBS N-320.

OCTOBER 14

"Carnival 2000" Ballet Folklorico de Bahia, 8:00 p.m., Staller Center, Main Stage, Tickets \$25.

Annual Conference sponsored by the Latin American Student Organization, 12:00 p.m., Student Activities Center, Third Floor.

OCTOBER 15

Bilingual Liturgy: Deacon Juan Diaz, "Asegurando Nuestro Futuro: Assuring Our Future," music and readings in Spanish and English, 5:00 p.m., Student Union Ballroom (refreshments served).

OCTOBER 16

Lecture sponsored by Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity, Inc., 8:30 p.m., Union Fire-side Lounge.

OCTOBER 16- OCTOBER 31

"Two Artists Views": Ruben Dario Cruz (painting) and Belenna Lauto (photography), Stony Brook Union Art Gallery. Artist's Reception: Tuesday, October 17, 5:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. For additional information, call 632-6820.

OCTOBER 17

"Cultural Pride Night," sponsored by Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Inc., 8 p.m., Stony Brook Union Bi-Level.

OCTOBER 18

The Bienvenido Rivera Show: "Latino Hicks," sponsored by Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity, Inc., 8:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m., Student Activities Center, Room 303.

OCTOBER 23

Lecture: "Peru's Political Dilemmas," by Julio Cotler, a Peruvian sociologist from the Instituto de Estudios Peruanos, Lima, 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Latin American Caribbean Center Conference Room, SBS N320.

OCTOBER 25

Presidential Lecture Series Celebrating Diversity: Rita Moreno, 12:30 p.m.-2:10 p.m., Staller Center.

OCTOBER 27

Hispanic Heritage Month Awards Luncheon to celebrate and recognize the achievement and contributions of students, faculty, and staff. 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m., Stony Brook Union Ballroom, Tickets \$10 for faculty/staff, \$5 for students. For information, call 632-6280.



Family Day

Saturday, October 21

Faculty and staff will be taking part in the Third Annual Family Day, where family members will learn what it's like to be a student at Stony Brook. For tickets and more information, please call 632-6303.

STONY BROOK VILLAGE EVENTS

Horse-Drawn Carriage Rides

Stony Brook Village Center, Main Street on the Harbor; Sundays in September and October, 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.; adults \$2; children under 12, \$1.

Tenth Annual Scarecrow Competition

Contestants create and erect more than 30 scarecrows throughout the Village Center; the public votes for their favorites. Stony Brook Village Center, Main Street on the Harbor. Scarecrows will be on display October 15 through Halloween.

Halloween Festival

Trick-or-treating, face painting, scarecrow competition awards, costume parade, and free pumpkins. Stony Brook Village Center, Main Street on the Harbor. Tuesday, October 31, 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.



Call 751-2244 for more information.

CALENDAR October 11 - October 31

ART/MUSIC/THEATRE

10/13, Friday. Emerson String Quartet. Don't miss one of the foremost chamber ensembles of the world today and winner of four Grammy Awards. This quartet has an international reputation for approaching both classical and contemporary music with equal mastery. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets \$29.

10/14, Saturday. Ballet Folklorico de Bahia: "Carnival 2000." Composed of 32 dancers, musicians, and singers from Brazil, "Carnival 2000" is an electrifying, high-energy performance. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets \$25.

10/15, Sunday. Baroque Sundays at Three. The opening Sunday of this five-concert season features sonatas and fantasias from mid-18th century Germany. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 3:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Free admission.

10/18, Wednesday. Contemporary Chamber Players. Features new works by Stony Brook composers. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Free admission.

10/19, Thursday, to 10/22, Sunday (and 10/26 to 10/29). Six Degrees of Separation. The Department of Theatre Arts presents this play by John Guare. For more information or to order tickets by phone, call 632-7230. Thursday-Saturday, 8:00 p.m.; Sunday, 2:00 p.m. Theatre II, Staller Center. Tickets: \$10 adults; \$6 seniors, students, children under 12; \$8 groups of ten or more faculty/staff.

10/21, Saturday. Ray Charles. Experience the unique rhythm and blues sound of Ray Charles in an exclusive appearance. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets \$32.

10/27, Friday. Nadja Salerno Sonnenberg and the Assads. Violinist Sonnen-

berg performs with the Brazilian duo guitar brothers Sergio and Odair Assad. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets \$32.

10/28, Saturday. Herbie Mann and Sona Terra. Legendary jazz flutist Mann leads the group, which also includes Romero Lubambo on guitar, Paul Socolow on bass, and Geoff Mann on drums/percussion. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets \$25.

10/29, Sunday. Computer Music at Stony Brook. Features guest composers and performers for an evening of music using the latest in sonic technology, including computers that listen and machines that sing. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Free admission.

SEMINARS/LECTURES

10/17, Tuesday. Scholarship on Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations: Issues and Controversies. This seminar features Humanities Institute Visiting Resident Fellow Basem Ra'ad from Birzeit University, Palestine. 10:30 a.m. For more information, call the Humanities Institute at 632-7765.

10/18, Wednesday. Presentation on Puglia. Center for Italian Studies is hosting "Salento: La memoria, il tempo, la poesia," with Flavia Pankiewicz; lecture and slides on "ville, giardini, masserie," by Antonio Cassiano; and readings by Joseph Tusiani. Reception to follow. For more information, call 632-7444. 6:00 p.m. Auditorium, Stony Brook Union.

10/18, Wednesday. Humanities Institute Lecture. Featured speaker is Deborah McDowell, Professor of English, University of Virginia (title to be announced). For more information, call 632-7765. 4:30 p.m. Humanities Institute, E4341, Melville Library.

10/19, Thursday. Biochemistry and Cell Biology Seminar. Dr. Erwin London hosts this seminar with speaker Dr. Arthur

E. Johnson, Texas A & M University, discussing "Protein Translocation and Integration at the ER Membrane." 4:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences Building.

10/19, Thursday. Geosciences Colloquium. Yngvar Isachsen from New York State Survey will be speaking on "Confirmation of a Panther Mountain Impact Crater, Catskill Mountains, and Preliminary Ideas Concerning Its Age and Significance." 4:00 p.m. (Refreshments at 3:45 p.m.) Gil Hanson Seminar Room, ESS Building.

10/21, Saturday. Center for Italian Studies Annual Fall Symposium. This year's theme is "Imagining Immigration." All are invited. Free except for optional luncheon. For more information, call 632-7444. 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Alliance Room, Melville Library.

10/25, Wednesday. Humanities Institute Lecture. Featured speaker is art writer and critic Kobena Mercer (title to be announced). Co-sponsored by Art Department. For more information, call 632-7765. 4:30 p.m. Humanities Institute, E4341 Melville Library.

10/26, Thursday. What Italy Has Given to the World. Center for Italian Studies presents this lecture by Professor Gaetano Cipolla, Chair, Modern Languages Department, St. John's University. All are invited. For more information, call 632-7444. 2:20 p.m. Room 110, Javits Lecture Center.

10/26, Thursday. Geosciences Colloquium. Peter Heaney from Penn State University will be speaking about "Diamonds from Heaven or Hades? The Carbonado Conundrum." 4:00 p.m. (Refreshments at 3:45 p.m.) Gil Hanson Seminar Room, ESS Building.

10/26, Thursday. Department of Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar. Dr. Robert Shapely from the Center for Neural Science at New York University will be speaking on "Nonlinear Dynamics of the Visual Cortex." 12:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

10/27, Friday. Geosciences Colloquium. Dazhi Jiang from the University of Maryland will be speaking about "Some Recent Work on Computer Simulation of Natural Rock Deformation." 4:00 p.m. (Refreshments at 3:45 p.m.) Gil Hanson Seminar Room, ESS Building.

SPECIAL EVENTS

10/11, Wednesday. Annual Green Team Luncheon. Guest speaker will be Ms. Lynden B. Miller, renowned public garden designer in New York City, whose latest project is our Academic Mall. All Green Team captains and members are invited; RSVP to Helen Carrano at 632-6270. For more information on Green Teams, contact coordinators Rowena Aquino at 632-6411 or Kevin Malone at 632-6628. 12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Auditorium, Student Activities Center.

FILMS

10/20, Friday. Dinosaur. 7:00 p.m., Main Stage, Staller Center. This Walt Disney feature animation transports moviegoers to prehistoric times for an incredible adventure by combining state-of-the-art computer character animation with digitally enhanced live-action backgrounds.

10/20, Friday. The Patriot. 9:00 p.m., Main Stage, Staller Center. Mel Gibson plays an infamous war hero turned farmer and family man who is trying to raise his six children after the death of his wife. When the revolution starts in the colonies, he refuses to go to war. His conviction to stay neutral is put to the test when the war comes extremely close to home.

10/26, Thursday. Sunshine. 7:00 p.m. Distinguished Hungarian filmmaker Istvan Szabo distills complex issues of identity in this dense 20th-century family drama, which shows the rise and fall of three generations of the Jewish Hungarian Sonnenschein family. Cast includes Ralph Fiennes, William Hurt, Jennifer Ehle, and Rosemary Harris.