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Seawolves Join America East

In only its second year of NCAA Division I competition, Stony Brook has accepted an invitation to join the America East Conference beginning in the Fall of 2001. The Seawolves become immediately eligible for the America East's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament in all sports.

Seventeen of the 19 varsity sports at Stony Brook will compete in the America East. Lacrosse will remain in the ECAC Lacrosse League, and football will remain in the Northeast Conference.

"Stony Brook's entry into the America East Conference is the culmination of the efforts and perseverance of many individuals here at the University, especially our President, Dr. Shirley Strum Kenny," said Richard Laskowski, Dean of Physical Education and Athletics. "It all began with our announcement to move our program from Division III to Division I six years ago. The America East Conference is a perfect fit for Stony Brook because it is a mixture of the finest public and private universities in the Northeast. We are very proud to be invited to the conference and we are excited to begin competing against these schools in the fall of this year."

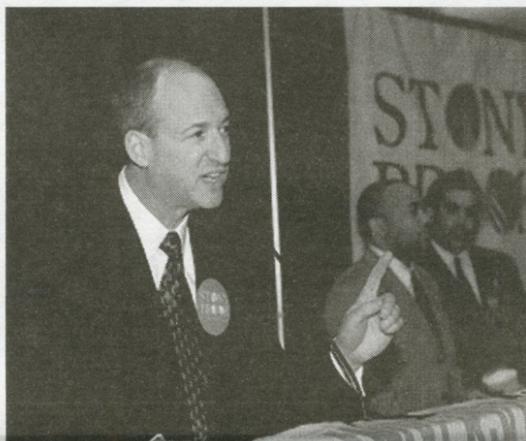
"America East is where we belong," President Kenny said. "Having moved a year and a half ago into Division I, we are now affiliating with a conference that is a true fit. Our momentum is dynamically strong this year, and next year will be even better."

For Seawolves tickets, scores, and highlights, call 632-WOLF.

Stony Brook Takes Albany by Storm

Grabbing their boxed breakfasts and boarding one of 11 buses, the 560 volunteers for Stony Brook Day in Albany got a unique peek at the way state government works this past February 13. Hours later they had already become veteran advocates for the University, telling legislators in 173 offices the Stony Brook story. Proud of the University's reputation and resolved to maintain Stony Brook's highly rated academic standing, students asked their state lawmakers to keep the University in mind when state monies are allocated. When it was over, the group gathered to listen to the cool sounds of the Stony Brook Jazz Band, eat hors d'oeuvres, and receive complimentary t-shirts. President Kenny thanked everyone and told the students: "You are the ones who can really tell our story. Your commitment to Stony Brook is the most compelling argument we have." Those responsible for making this Stony Brook Day such a success were the committee of four chairs—

Janice Rohlf, Bill Godfrey, John Schmidt, and Ed Drummond—with support from Pat Cruso, recruitment; Joan Dickinson, promotion; and Ed O'Connell, transportation.



Chancellor Robert King addressed the Stony Brook crowd.



Assemblyman and former Stony Brook faculty member Paul Harenberg, President Kenny, and Assemblyman Steven Englebright.

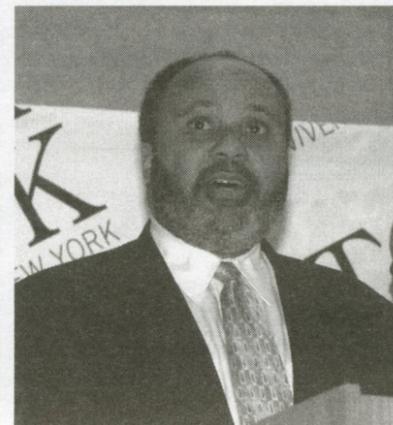


President Kenny surrounded by Chairs (left to right): Bill Godfrey, Ed Drummond, John Schmidt, and Janice Rohlf.



A group of students gathered at the end-of-day reception.

Martin Luther King III Delivering a Message of Love and Enlightenment



Martin Luther King III

"We were all inflamed by his vision" was how President Kenny introduced Martin Luther King III, describing her own experience of attending a rally led by his father, the slain civil rights leader. "Martin Luther King III has taken the torch lit by his father and led the quest for equality and justice for all people," President Kenny continued.

The lecture was held February 14 at the Student Activities Center Auditorium, which was filled to over-capacity with students, faculty, staff, and those from outside the campus community. President Kenny mentioned King's work in worldwide humanitarian concerns and in the moral and political dilemmas that face both third-world nations and our own.

King touched on several themes that he said have prevented his father's dream from becoming a reality at this point in our nation's development. He spoke broadly of the need to nurture and cherish children and to protect them from the "three evils" his father had spoken about 30 years before: racism, poverty, and violence. "Children are our most precious resource, and we as a nation are judged by how we treat our most precious resource," King said.

The talk focused on the plight of those in our society who are touched and oppressed by disadvantage of one form or another—whether it is crime, poverty, disease, unemployment, or racial tensions—and urged the audience to raise their consciousness to these

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Stony Brook on Science Coalition Web Site

Stony Brook will be featured on the Science Coalition Web site at www.sciencecoalition.org from March 19 through March 25. Of all the public and private research universities that are featured on this site each year, Stony Brook receives the highest number of hits.

PROVOST'S LECTURE SERIES



Barbara Garson

"Money Makes the World Go Around:

One Investor Tracks Her Cash Through the Global Economy from Brooklyn to Bangkok and Back"

**Thursday, March 8
4:00 p.m.**

**Earth and Space Sciences
Lecture Hall 001**

Co-sponsored by the Group for the Study of Working Class Life and Women's Studies Program for International Women's Day

Third Annual "Youth Rally and Speakout"

Approximately 400 students from high schools in the Town of Brookhaven attended a student-run summit featuring workshops and a talent showcase on Friday, February 9 in the Student Activities Center Auditorium. Student presenters provided an overview of student volunteer programs and participated in a "speakout"—discussing critical issues of the day with Brookhaven public officials. The audience was greeted by Brookhaven Town Supervisor John Jay LaValle.

High school students from the Shoreham/Wading River Nexus HIV Prevention Program, the Sachem North High School Project Spectrum Program (a peer education program), and the Sachem South and Ward Melville High School Volunteer Centers participated in the activities. Students also had the opportunity to listen to keynote speaker Fr. Frank Pizzarelli, the Founder of Hope House Ministries.

WUSB Spring Radiothon

WUSB 90.1 FM's Spring Radiothon 2001 fund drive begins on Tuesday, March 6 and runs through Saturday, April 7. Radiothon is the annual fundraising drive sponsored by the volunteer-staffed station. University faculty and staff can request a pledge packet to help support the station by calling 632-6498 or by e-mailing wusb@notes.cc.sunysb.edu. Pledges may also be made at the studio by calling 632-6901. Donors will be eligible to receive WUSB shirts, hats, mugs, or music CDs and gift certificates for their support.

Symposium Fosters Community Outreach

More than 400 students, administrators, and faculty from area universities and high schools, as well as local community members and organizations joined, a panel of nationally known educators in a symposium focusing on the importance of shaping and building the relationship between academic institutions and their local business and residential communities.

The 2001 Annual Leadership Symposium, "Campus and Community Engagements: Engineering New Partnerships," explored ways to reinvigorate and redefine higher education's traditional mission of outreach and public service, and panelists discussed ways to transform current institutional efforts. This year's panel included Dr. Lattie F. Coor, President of Arizona State University's main campus, and Dr. Carl V. Patton, President of Georgia State University.

Since its inception in 1996, the symposium has been dedicated to promoting efforts that nurture both individual and group development consistent with the notion in higher education of a learning community. The event was sponsored by the School of Social Welfare's Student-Community Development Program (SCD), the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, and the Graduate School.

The program developed out of a need for university professionals to develop campus communities that are responsive to today's pressing social needs and still fulfill their responsibilities to students. Stony Brook is the first university in the nation to offer a master's-level specialization in the SCD program, which consists of a professional partnership between social work and higher education in preparing students to work on contemporary college campuses.

Year of Community Service

Dancing Shoes: The Great Giveaway



A young dancer gets a new pair of shoes.

Ammy Sullivan, Associate Professor in the Department of Theatre Arts and Artistic Director of the Sullivan Dance Project, was presented with a quandary: "What do you do with 15,000 pairs of new shoes?" Fina DanceWear, a national distributor of dancewear and dance supplies on Long Island, donated the children's dance shoes to the Sullivan Dance Project, leaving Sullivan to solve the Cinderella-like mystery of how to match local children with the shoes. This marked the birth of the Shoe Project, involving a collaboration of organizations on the Stony Brook campus, as well as local charitable associations. In the spirit of President Kenny's 2001 Year of Community Service (YOCS), the Shoe Project focused the distribution of the dance shoes to underprivileged children who do not have the opportunity to take dance classes in their schools.

To this end, the YOCS Committee became the co-sponsor of The Great Giveaway on February 10, officially launching the project. Additional co-sponsors included Stony Brook's Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching (CELT) and the Center for Excellence and Innovation in Education; the Dean's Office of the College of Arts and Sciences; the Staller Center for the Arts; the Greater Port Jefferson Arts Council; and the Huntington Arts Council.

Officially launching the day's events, President Kenny gave the welcome address. "The arts are the best way to communicate, to learn from one another, and to impart wisdom. Our goal is to build a strong community of talents by participating, learning, and growing through the arts," she said. More than 100 children—as representatives of community centers from Huntington to the East End of Long Island—were presented with a new box of shoes printed with their names.

Tina Ramirez, Artistic Director of Ballet Hispanico of New York City, delivered the keynote speech, and she and the Student Company of Ballet Hispanico gave a performance. Stony Brook professors and students held mini dance classes in the afternoon, while directors from the various community centers attended a panel to discuss how the artist can be a catalyst in our communities by making the arts accessible to all. Sullivan added, "This is a project that demonstrates the unlimited possibilities of University-community collaboration."

Sullivan's Shoe Project has a far-reaching goal—to provide continued support to the community centers, which includes sending dance teachers to the centers, along with support materials such as dance CDs and costumes for the children. In this process, communication is a key factor in matching the teacher to the center. Thus, the children get to choose the style of dance they would like to study—from ballet to Latin, jazz to tap. Sullivan summarized the process: "By creating opportunities in the arts for people from all social and economic backgrounds, we hope to continue our work that is built on the philosophy that dance is a birthright and that experiences in physical, creative work can contribute to the thinking and development of all persons."

Paul Loeb's Message: Can You Spare Some Social Change?

Students, staff, and faculty will be the beneficiaries of social activist Paul Loeb's more than 30 years of research and writing about citizen responsibility and empowerment. Loeb will give his lecture in the Student Activities Center Auditorium on April 4 at 12:40 p.m. as part of the spring semester Year of Community Service program. A complimentary lunch will be served at noon.

Loeb, an Associate Scholar at Seattle's Center for Ethical Leadership, has written four books, delivered lectures at more than 200 universities and colleges around the nation, and appeared in more than 800 television and radio interviews.

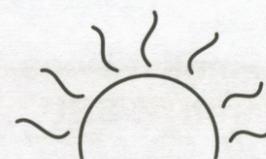
Social activist Ralph Nader praised Loeb's latest book, *Soul of a Citizen*, by calling it "a book that should be placed in the hands of every cynic who sees societal problems and then retreats to his or her private sanctuary, shrugs, and says, 'there's nothing I can do.'"

In his lecture, Loeb will be drawing heavily from *Soul of a Citizen*, which he describes as being "less about tactics and strategies than about heeding our convictions to act." Loeb puts his audience on an intimate basis with housewives, rabbis, massage therapists, novelists, and reformed convicts who all have made a difference, employing inspirational vignettes that speak to each person's own latent hunger for social change. He excuses people for their family responsibilities, workplace demands, and timidity in the face of complex social issues, but chastises people for their "learned helplessness," detailing numerous consequences of the failure to act on behalf of society.

But it is a gentle prodding. He warns against trying to be "larger than life figures," such as Rosa Parks or Mother Theresa, with the advice that it is "better to help ten real hurting people or nine or one than to be overwhelmed and withdraw and do nothing." Loeb shows the vulnerable side of people who are viewed as "saints," and by doing so, hopes to eliminate "psychic paralysis" so that people can fulfill their need for social involvement.

Share a Story

We'd like to learn about your volunteering experience and how it has made an impact on your life. Or maybe you'd like to relate the experience of how a volunteer affected your life. Please send your stories to *Happenings* Editor Lynne Vessie, Room 144 Administration Building, or e-mail to lynne.vessie@sunysb.edu.



Summer Programs

Science Exploration Camps

6th graders: July 16-17
7th and 8th graders: August 6-17
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
\$330 per session

This year there will be three separate programs by grade level. These academic programs will complement the students' science curriculum at school and challenge them to think, research, and experiment. Each program will be laboratory-based, but will involve reading, computer searching, writing, and group work.

The 6th-grade program will focus on laboratory skills in physics, chemistry, microbiology, and ecology.

The 7th-grade program will reflect some of the material covered in Life Science in middle school. The areas covered will include hydrology and public health, chemistry, genetics, and forensic sciences.

The 8th-grade program will concentrate on biology and developing research skills. Students will work in groups to explore botany, microbiology, genetics, and molecular biology.

Biotechnology Summer Camp

July 9-August 3
\$1,895 (room/board/lab fees)

This is a residential program that provides a unique opportunity for high school students interested in doing research in the biological sciences. Students will learn the molecular biology and biotechnology laboratory techniques for manipulating and analyzing DNA and then complete an independent research project.

The deadline for applications is April 1. For more information, call Judy Nimmo at 632-9750, or e-mail her at jnimmo@notes.cc.sunysb.edu.

Camp Sea Wolf

This environmental education summer camp, co-sponsored by the Center for Excellence and Innovation in Education and the Marine Sciences Research Center, will be held at Peconic Dunes in Southold. It is a week-long, hands-on, field-oriented environmental/conservation/outdoor education program for boys and girls ages 11 to 15. The program runs Sunday through Saturday with start dates on July 15, July 22, and July 29. The cost for this residential camp is \$425 per session. For more information or a registration form, call Chris McCormick at 632-7697, or e-mail Cmccormick@notes.cc.sunysb.edu.

SAFE KIDS Holds Press Conference

The Suffolk County SAFE KIDS Coalition, an affiliate of the National SAFE KIDS Coalition based in Washington D.C., held a press conference last week at University Hospital and Medical Center to draw attention to the lack of child safety protection in vehicles. The Coalition, whose national mission is to "protect children under 14 from all preventable injuries," was publicizing a national survey of state child vehicle restraint laws in which New York received a grade of "D." The report is part of a five-year plan to pass uniform standards of vehicle safety for children in all states. Surveys in Suffolk County have revealed that 95 percent of car seats are installed improperly. The University Police has eight technicians who are trained to check the proper installation of car seats. Appointments can be made by calling 632-9317.

Intel Finalist Does Research at SBU

Forty high school seniors from across the country have been named as finalists in the Intel Science Talent Search (Intel STS) 2001. These students will compete for college scholarships totaling \$530,000, with the top prize of a \$100,000 scholarship.

One of the finalists, Craig Berman from Ward Melville High School, completed his STS research project at Stony Brook. During the past three years, Berman performed his experiments in the Department of Biomedical Engineering under the supervision of Dr. Yi-Xian Qin. Berman submitted a medicine and health entry to the Intel STS that investigates the use of ultrasound in the early detection of osteoporosis. It is hoped that this new, non-invasive bone diagnostic device can be used as early-stage screening for metabolic bone diseases. The research is supported by the New York State Center for Advanced Technology in Medical Biotechnology, the National Institutes of Health, and the National Space Biomedical Research Institute.

The Intel STS is the nation's oldest and most prestigious pre-college science competition. Often considered the "Junior Nobel Prize," the STS will celebrate its 60th anniversary this year at an award banquet on March 12 in Washington, DC. Awards and Talent Institute Students were judged based on their individual research reports for research ability, scientific originality, and creative thinking. The projects cover all disciplines of science, including chemistry, physics, mathematics, engineering, social science, and biology.

Centers for Molecular Medicine Symposia Series

Frontiers in Microbiology
Monday, March 12
8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Health Sciences Center, Level 2,
Lecture Hall 4

The symposia will explore current and cutting-edge areas of microbiology and infectious diseases that directly impact the search for new biologically active drugs and vaccines. Representing each of the research areas in the Centers for Molecular Medicine, the symposia brings together distinguished investigators in these disciplines with scientists, faculty, and students.

For more information, contact Dreania LeVine at 632-4286.

Gender Equity in Education Wednesday, March 28

Register now for "Gender Equity in Education: Students and Educators as Partners for Change," a one-day conference presented by the Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching (CELT) in community partnership with the Long Island Fund for Women and Girls. The conference offers workshops for students, educators, and community leaders interested in furthering gender equality in education in their communities and institutions.

The keynote speakers will be Dr. Nancy J. Vickers, President of Bryn Mawr College, and Dr. Michael Kimmel, Professor of Sociology at Stony Brook.

For more details about the conference or to register, visit the CELT Web site at www.celt.sunysb.edu or call 632-1057.

Love and Enlightenment

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President of Polity Jonnel Doris joined President Kenny on stage with Martin Luther King III and presented him with a Stony Brook sweatshirt.

social problems. Mr. King repeatedly invoked the message that all Americans are accountable for the social ills of society, and he spoke specifically about the issues of racial profiling by the police and lending institutions, incarceration rates of young black male and females, and vote-counting controversies. He put current problems in perspective when he said, "Thirty plus years ago, during the time of Martin Luther King Jr., we were dealing with the problems of poverty, racism, and violence. Thirty years later, we are still dealing with those same old dogs."

King concluded his discussion by offering ways to achieve a higher level of enlightenment. He spoke of the "beloved community," an idea his father had put forth about the interconnectedness of people and the world around them. He mentioned the urgent need to protect children from the messages and images of hatred that are all around in our society, offering himself as an example. He said that it would have been very easy to fall into the cycle of hatred after the assassinations of his father and grandmother, but because he was raised in an atmosphere of love for himself and others, he learned to "hate the act but love the individual." He concluded his remarks by saying, "Until we in America learn to embrace a love that seeks nothing in return, we are not going to move very far."

George Meyer, Assistant Vice President for Presidential Initiatives, who coordinates the President's Lecture Series Celebrating Diversity, noted that "judging by the reactions of many Stony Brook students and those from eight high schools that sent groups to the lecture, King's message seemed to make real many events familiar to them only from textbooks; but most importantly, his message really communicated the meaning of unconditional love."

"To Our Good Health 2001"

Wednesday, March 21: Third Annual Employee Wellness Day

Spring into the new season with a fresh outlook on your health and wellness at the Third Annual Employee Wellness Day: "To Our Good Health 2001." The festivities, held at the University Hospital and Medical Center, are sure to be better than ever, and all Stony Brook University employees are urged to participate in the activities. The goal of "To Our Good Health 2001" is to encourage employees to take better care of themselves and to make their own health a priority. Besides having some fun, you may learn something that could potentially save your life! This fun and informative day is filled with insightful workshops, health talks, demonstrations, screenings, table displays from various hospital departments, experientials, and great raffle prizes and free health food samples.

Employee Wellness Day starts at 8:00 a.m. with a "Move for Life" Wellness Walk. Participants will follow a 1.8 mile marked course that starts and ends at the Nicolls Road tunnel. Once across the finish line, all walkers will be awarded with a commemorative pin to show the world that you care about your health.

The Main Event takes place from 10:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the Galleria and lecture halls in the Health Sciences Center. The University, with the support of local spas, gyms, restaurants and health food vendors, will provide a cornucopia of wellness experiences. Here, employees can enjoy facials, reflexology, skin-screening, exercise training, nutritional counseling, body-fat analysis, and mini-massages.

No event would be complete without tasty—yet healthy—food samples provided by community businesses such as Wild by Nature, Elegant Eating, and The Golden Pear. And, if that isn't enough, the University Hospital and Medical Center programs and services will also be available, providing blood pressure and osteoporosis screenings, as well as a wide range of information on how to stay healthy.

The Main Event also includes an exciting selection of workshops and talks beginning every half-hour from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Try one of the new workshops, such as Ta'i-Chi or Belly Dancercise. Or you can try Snoozlen Relaxation or Hypnosynergistic Therapy, or sit in on one of the health talks, which include "Guidelines for Using Herbs and Supplements" and "Beating the Fear of Public Speaking."

This year, more than 50 raffle prizes have been donated to Employee Wellness Day—ranging from a "Day of Beauty and Overnight Stay" at Gurney's Inn to a "Day of Entertainment" at Sports Plus. All attendees are eligible for the raffles.

For more information and a copy of the complete program of activities, call Health Connect at 444-4393.

—Roseann La Sala, Community Relations Department
Eugene Weidman Wellness Center

Lilian Wu to Give WISE Lecture

Lilian Wu, the educator, scientist, and past advisor to the White House on science and technology, will give a lecture at Stony Brook on Wednesday, March 7 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Student Activities Center Auditorium. The lecture, which is being presented by the Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) Program, is called "Innovation and Opportunities Are Everywhere: Hyperlink Your Career!" The lecture is free and open to the public.

Wu, currently a research scientist and Program Director of University Partnerships for IBM, is co-chair of the National Research Council Committee on Women in Science and Engineering and is a member of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board. From 1994-2000, she also served on the President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology. She holds a B.S. in Mathematics from the University of Maryland and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Applied Mathematics from Cornell University.

Wu's appearance is being sponsored through a grant from the Salomon Smith Barney/Citigroup Corporation as part of the lecture series "Women in Technology: Young Women at the Crossroads." The series focuses on ways to support and encourage women who are seeking careers in information technology and engineering.

The WISE program offers educational and career-path opportunities for young women in high school, as well as for the University's female undergraduates. It is also involved in a variety of educational programs with high schools throughout Long Island and New York City. For further information, please contact the WISE office at 632-6974, or visit the Web page at www.wise.sunysb.edu.

March Is National Social Work Month

Tuesday, March 13
School of Social Welfare Alumni Recognition Luncheon

Three graduates from the School of Social Welfare will be recognized for their contributions to the School, the community, and the social work profession. President Kenny will be honored for her support of the School of Social Welfare and the School's new alumni program. New York Congressman James Walsh will receive a humanitarian award.

12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m., Health Sciences Center, Level 3, Galleria

For more information, call Bill Dethlefs at 444-3439 or e-mail him at wdethlefs@notes.cc.sunysb.edu.

Thursday, March 15
Conference: "Ethical, Legal, and Social Implications of New Genetic Research"

Representatives from the National Human Genome Research Institute, consumers who have received services, and faculty discuss the implications of genetic research. Sponsored by the School of Social Welfare and the Society for Social Work Leadership Suffolk County Chapter.

Session 1: 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Session 2: 1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
Health Sciences Center, Level 2,
Lecture Hall 3

The cost is \$20; advance registration is required.

For more information, call Betty Jean Wrase at 444-3161, Candyce Berger at 444-6909, or Debi Gaines at (631) 361-2020.

Year of Community Service

Upcoming Events

March 27

Me and Isaac Newton Screening 7:00 p.m., Staller Center
See Michael Apted's (*Coal Miner's Daughter*, *Gorillas in the Mist*) film featuring Stony Brook Anthropology Professor Patricia Wright. Dr. Wright will introduce the film and answer questions afterward in the Staller Center Lobby, where cookies and drinks will be served. Complimentary tickets are available in advance from the Staller Center Box Office (632-ARTS). Seating is limited.

April 4

Paul Loeb Lecture
12:40 p.m., SAC Auditorium
Hear the celebrated author and social activist speak about the extraordinary effects that ordinary citizens can have on their communities. The author of the widely acclaimed *Soul of a Citizen*, Loeb will draw on his 30 years of exploring social involvement, focusing on how ordinary citizens can make their voices heard and actions count at a time when they're told that neither matter. Prior to the lecture, there will be a complimentary lunch at noon.

May 2

Fountain Festival
12:40 p.m., Academic Mall
Enjoy a special day of food, fun, and festivities including the Strawberry Festival; musical entertainment; diversity, wellness, and volunteer programs; student booths; games; and a live performance by the Stony Brook Jazz Band.

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MFA Show 2001

At Staller Center Art Gallery
Now through Friday, March 9

Featuring the Work of Four Graduate Students

There will be a reception for the artists on Saturday, March 3, 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
For more information, call 632-7240.

Eugene Weidman Wellness Center Spring Seminars

March 1: Body Image, 3:30 p.m., SAC 308

March 14: How to Get Awesome Abs, 5:00 p.m., SAC 311

March 28: Intro to Hiking the Greenbelt Trail, 7:00 p.m., SAC 311

April 5: Interview Skills: How to Make an Impression, Career Center

April 11: Prepare for the Summer Job Fair, 1:00 p.m., Career Center

All seminars are free.

Please register at the Wellness Center, in the lower level of the SAC, or by e-mailing Brett Rice at brice@notes.cc.sunysb.edu.

Office of Diversity and Affirmative Action

March Training Schedule

Sexual Harassment Prevention

March 1, 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., SAC

Issues of Equity and Opportunity

March 27, 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., SAC

Sexual Harassment Prevention

March 30, 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., HSC

There will be more training sessions listed in *Happenings* in the upcoming months. For more information or to register, contact Denise Gross, Training and Organizational Development, at 632-4501.

EAP Workshops

The Stony Brook Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is running a series of programs open to all campus employees. The following is the March calendar.

Lunchtime Learning

March 7

Understanding Today's Teens
HSC, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

March 12

Blossoming in Retirement
HSC, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

March 13

When a Loved One Dies
HSC, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

March 21

Understanding Today's Teens
SAC, 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m.

March 28

Blossoming in Retirement
SAC, 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m.

March 30

When a Loved One Dies
SAC, 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m.

For more information or to register, contact Denise Gross, Training and Organizational Development, at 632-4501, or access the EAP Web site at www.sunysb.edu/eap.

The Shirley Strum Kenny Arts Festival Street Fair and Gala Performance

The annual Shirley Strum Kenny Arts Festival will be held April 16-22. Students are urged to submit applications describing their projects, which will be presented at one of the events. Applications are available in the Women's Studies Office, 105 Old Chemistry, or from artsfestival2001@hotmail.com.

The Thief of Love

Friday, March 9, 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 11, 2:00 p.m.
Main Stage, Staller Center

An opera by award-winning composer Sheila Silver. Presented by the Stony Brook Opera Ensemble and Symphony Orchestra. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. Tickets: \$15 adults, \$7.50 students/seniors.

Be a Commencement Volunteer!

If you would like to volunteer for a few hours or the entire day, please save the date. More information will be forthcoming from the Office of Conferences and Special Events.

Monday, May 14
Briefing Session for Volunteers

Thursday Evening, May 17
Baccalaureate Honors Convocation

Friday, May 18
Commencement Ceremony and Festival

JP Morgan Chase Corporate Challenge

The University is sponsoring a team for the JP Morgan Chase Corporate Challenge 3.5 mile run this summer, which will take place on July 31 at 7:00 p.m. at Jones Beach.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Susan DiMonda, Director of Campus Recreation via e-mail at sdimonda@notes.cc.sunysb.edu.

CALENDAR February 28 - March 16

ART/MUSIC/THEATRE

3/1, Thursday to 3/4, Sunday and 3/8, Thursday to 3/11, Sunday. The Canterbury Tales. Arnold Wengrow's adaptation of the classic Chaucer poem. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. Thursday-Saturday: 8:00 p.m., Sunday: 2:00 p.m. Theatre One, Staller Center. Tickets: Adults, \$10; Faculty/Staff, \$8; Students/Seniors, \$6.

3/1, Thursday to 3/15 Thursday. "Now That Spirituality Is Cool." Features the South Bay Art Association and Stony Brook alumni and community members. Reception for the artists on Thursday, 3/1, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. in the Art Gallery. For more information, call 632-6820. Art Gallery hours: Monday-Friday, 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

3/3, Saturday. Ramsey Lewis and Billy Taylor Duo Jazz Piano. Jazz lovers will get a special glimpse at teamwork when these two greats join forces in this Renaissance Jazz series. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$32.

3/4, Sunday. Lark Quartet with Peter Schickele. A program using both talk and music featuring women composers and works by Schickele, Schumann, Haydn, and Mozart. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 7:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$29.

3/6, Tuesday. Poetry Reading. Award-winning poet Robin Becker, Associate Professor in English and Women's Studies at Penn State University, will read from her fifth book

of poetry, *The Horse Fair*. 4:30 p.m. Poetry Center, Room 239, Humanities.

3/6, Tuesday. 3 Doors Down, Fuel, and Oleander. Tickets are available at the Student Activities Center box office. For more information, call 632-6464. 8:00 p.m. Sports Complex Arena. Tickets: \$27.50 non-students, \$25 students.

3/15, Thursday. Concert of Music by Women Composers. In celebration of Women's History Month, this concert presents chamber music composed by women from a variety of musical periods. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Admission is free.

3/16, Friday. Russian National Ballet, Giselle. This production maintains the Russian tradition of scrupulous production and loving concern for this romantic ballet. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$32.

SEMINARS/LECTURES

2/28, Wednesday. Seeing The Elephant: Reflections on the Histories of the Americas. The Latin American and Caribbean Center presents James Dunkerley, Director of the Institute of Latin American Studies in London, who will discuss his new book, *Americana: The Americas in the World Around 1850*. 12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Room N320, Social and Behavioral Sciences.

3/2, Friday. Astronomy Open Night. Professor James Lattimer, Department of

Physics and Astronomy, will discuss "Is Advanced Life Common in the Universe?" 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

3/8, Thursday. Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar. Dr. Lorne Mendell hosts a talk by Dr. Charles Inturrisi, Weill Medical College of Cornell University, who will present "A Conditional Knockout of the NMDAR1 Subunit in Spinal in Spinal Cord and Hypertension." 12:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

3/8, Thursday. Pediatric Cardiovascular Anesthesia: An Update. The Department of Anesthesiology presents this visiting professor lecture featuring William J. Greeley, Professor and Chair of Anesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. 5:00 p.m. Level 2, Lecture Hall 1, HSC.

3/8, Thursday. Marine Biology Explorations. JoAnn Burkholder, Marine Biologist and expert on marine pollution, discusses the "Crisis of Polluted Waters: Toxic Algae and Other Dangers." For more information, call Jeffrey Levinton at 632-8602. 7:00 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

3/9, Friday. Twelfth Annual Jacob Bigeleisen Endowed Lecture. Alexander Pines, Glenn T. Seaborg Professor of Chemistry at the University of California at Berkeley and Faculty Senior Scientist at Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, presents "Some Magnetic Moments." 4:00 p.m. (Refreshments at 3:30) Room 116, Old Chemistry.

3/9, Friday. The Worlds of Physics. Professor Tom Hemmick, Department of Physics and Astronomy, discusses "Recreating the Birth of the Universe." 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

3/9, Friday. Cultivating Clinical Research in Pediatric Anesthesia. The Department of Anesthesiology presents this visiting professor lecture featuring William J. Greeley, Professor and Chair of Anesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. 7:00 a.m. Level 2, Lecture Hall 1, HSC.

SPECIAL EVENTS

3/1, Thursday. EAP Open House. Breakfast will be served, followed by a tour and an auction for videos, books, and tapes. Call 632-6085 for more information. 10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 140 Old Chemistry.

3/2, Friday. Chemistry Research Day. This event celebrates the research work of graduate students and features poster presentations, which take place from 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. in the SAC lobby. Reception and seminar to follow in the SAC auditorium. For more information, call 632-7884.

3/10, Saturday. Excursion to Ellis Island. The Center for Italian Studies hosts a trip to view the Lifeline exhibit at Immigration Museum. Price per person for bus and ferry is \$30. For more information and to make reservations, call 632-7444.