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National Women's History Month

Wednesday, March 14

Lynnsey M. Blume (Community Educator, Suffolk County Coalition Against Domestic Violence) will talk about the dynamics of dating and domestic violence and what to do if you or someone you know is experiencing dating or domestic violence. 12:40 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Peace Center, Old Chemistry

Thursday, March 15

Marci Lobel (Associate Professor of Psychology) will speak about "PMS and Menopause: The Truth Is Not What We've Been Sold." 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Peace Center, Old Chemistry

Wednesday, March 28

This one-day conference, "Gender Equity in Education: Students and Educators as Partners for Change," is presented by the Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching (CELT) in community partnerships with the Long Island Fund for Women and Girls. It offers workshops for students, educators, and community leaders interested in furthering gender equity in education. For details, call 632-1057 or visit www.celt.sunysb.edu.

Speaker Traci Nix (Intern at University Counseling Services) presents "The Life and Art of Rose O'Neill: Kewpies and Monsters." 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Wo/Men's Center Library (Room 221), SB Union.

Thursday, March 29

Dr. Laura Williams (Director of the Wo/Men's Center) speaks about "The Dove and the Elephant: The Marriage of Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera, Its Impact on Her Art." 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Wo/Men's Center Library (Room 221), SB Union.

Women's Tennis: Stony Brook vs. Wagner, 3:00 p.m. Outside Courts.

Saturday, March 31

Women's Tennis: Stony Brook vs. Central Connecticut, 12:00 p.m. Outside Courts.

For more information about these events, call the Women's Studies Program at 632-9176.



Me and Isaac Newton

Tuesday, March 27
7:00 p.m.
Staller Center

See the documentary film featuring Stony Brook Anthropology Professor Patricia Wright. Tickets are free.

Seawolves Club Goal to Raise \$700K

"Scholarships Build Champions" Campaign Runs Through March

The Stony Brook Seawolves Club kicked off its annual P.A.W.S. Campaign on Friday, February 23, announcing a goal of \$700,000 for scholarships within the next five weeks. P.A.W.S. (Providing Athletes With Scholarships) is the driving force behind the success of Stony Brook's 19 Division I teams. Since state funds cannot be used for athletic scholarships, the campus community must lend its support to the teams so the athletic program can thrive and win on a national level.

At the kick-off event, the Athletics Department unveiled the slogan for this year's campaign—Scholarships Build Champions—and debuted a video showcasing the talents of the University's student-athletes, many of whom would not be attending Stony Brook if it were not for the scholarships they received.

In its first three years, P.A.W.S. has raised more than \$1 million, which enables the team coaches to recruit talented athletes who are the best in their sport. Now that Stony Brook is a Division I university and will compete in the America East Conference, there is an even greater need to increase the support of its athletes and encourage more high-caliber students to choose Stony Brook.

Throughout March, P.A.W.S. volunteers will be reaching out to faculty, staff, and students for their support. There are many benefits to investing in the future of Stony Brook's students. In addition to making a difference in a student's life, volunteers will become a part of the Seawolves Club. Members of the Club will enjoy the opportunity to get great seats for Seawolves football, basketball, and lacrosse games; invitations to the prestigious Hardwood Golf Outing, discounts toward Seawolves merchandise; and much more.

There are many ways to join the team. University employees can request a payroll deduction, write a check to the P.A.W.S. Campaign, or charge their gift. Or, they can become volunteers for the Club and help recruit more members. For more information on volunteering or contributing to the P.A.W.S. Campaign, please call Jessica Biegaj, Director of the Seawolves Club and Special Events, at 632-4576.

The campaign continues through the first week of April. Donations will be accepted through June 2001. Join the team and help brighten the future of Stony Brook students and its athletic program.



Record-Breaking Blood Drive

For five days last month, six quads—Mendelsohn, Kelly, Tabler, H, Roth, and Roosevelt—competed to see who could donate the most blood. And the results of this first-ever student blood drive exceeded anyone's expectations. Stony Brook students donated 348 pints of blood to the Long Island Blood Center at a time when it was desperately needed. Additionally, 277 students signed up for the bone marrow registry.

The blood drive, dubbed Morgan's Drive, was dedicated to Morgan Zuch, the two-year-old daughter of Rod Zuch, Director of Development for the Marine Sciences Research Center. Morgan was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia three months ago. "Thankfully, my daughter's doing well right now," said Zuch. "But there are thousands of children and adults who need blood transfusions every day just to survive."

Carl Hanes, Deputy to the President for Special Projects, spearheaded the drive along with Jason DeSantis, Mora O'Keefe, Erica Cardoza, and more than 100 other student volunteers. "I'm extremely proud of our students for participating in such overwhelming numbers. We couldn't accommodate all the donors," said Hanes. "They really came through."

A *Statesman* article and editorial, posters throughout campus, and a door-to-door leaflet campaign combined to fuel the drive, with Roth Quad and Roosevelt Quad vying for high honors on the final night. After all the donations were counted, Roosevelt eked out a narrow victory. President Kenny will present a trophy to the winners in a special ceremony on March 15 at 5:30 p.m. in the Benedict College Atrium in H Quad.

Another blood drive for faculty, staff, and students is scheduled for April.



Morgan Zuch inspired students.

Tonge Selected as Sloan Fellow

Peter Tonge, Associate Professor in the Department of Chemistry, has been selected as an Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow for 2001. This is an extraordinarily competitive award, and the Fellowship carries with it a grant of \$40,000 for two years.

The Sloan Research Fellowships, established in 1955, provide support and recognition to young scientists who are often in their first appointments to university faculties and are attempting to set up laboratories and establish independent research projects with little or no outside support. The Fellowships are awarded in applied mathematics, chemistry, computer science, economics, neuroscience, physics, and pure mathematics.

Selection procedures for the Sloan Research Fellowships identify those who show the most outstanding promise of making fundamental contributions to new knowledge. Sloan Research Fellows, once chosen, are free to pursue whatever lines of inquiry are most compelling to them. Their Sloan funds can be used for a wide variety of expenses for which other, more restricted funds—such as research project grants—cannot usually be applied.

The Program Committee reviews nearly 500 nominations each year to arrive at the final selection. The Foundation awards 104 fellowships each year, bringing total grants in the program to \$4.2 million annually. Under present operating procedures, the fellowships are allocated as follows: 23 for physics, 23 for chemistry, 20 for mathematics, 16 for neuroscience, 14 for computer science, and 8 for economics.

Twenty-four Sloan Fellows have won Nobel Prizes later in their careers, and hundreds have received other prestigious honors.

In Memoriam

Martin Stevens, English Professor and Chair of the Department of English in the 1970s, passed away on February 24 after a long illness.

Professor Stevens specialized in medieval literature and edited the *Towneley Mystery Play Cycle* for the Early English Text Society, which is the standard editing society for medieval texts, based at Oxford.

He went on to become Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Baruch College, then Distinguished Professor of English at CUNY Graduate School. He retired in 1995 and moved to San Francisco. Professor Stevens touched the lives of many and will be remembered by his colleagues at Stony Brook.

Undergrad to Perform at Staller

Susan Deaver, Music Director and Conductor of the University Orchestra, has announced the results from the Undergraduate Concerto Competition, which was held on February 20. The winner will perform at the University Orchestra's concert on Tuesday, April 24, on the Main Stage of the Staller Center at 8:00 p.m.

The first-prize winner is violinist **Jill Jermyn**, who performed Mozart's *Concerto No. 4*. She is a freshman at Stony Brook and a member of the Graduate Orchestra and the Honors College.

Flutist **Shari Alexander** is the second-prize winner, performing Chaminade's *Concertino for Flute and Orchestra*. She is a junior in the Honors College and is pursuing a B.A. in music. She has been a member of the Stony Brook University Orchestra, the Stony Brook University Wind Ensemble, the C.W. Post Orchestra at Long Island University, and the Berkshire Symphony Orchestra.

Jason Dobranski received an honorable mention. He is a junior and has performed as principal cellist for such groups as Stony Brook University Orchestra, Suffolk Community College Orchestra, Sound Symphony, and the East Hampton Chamber Orchestra.

For more information, contact the Music Department at 632-7330.

Participate in the E.A.R.N. Program

If you hire employees or influence someone who does, you can participate in the Presidential Sylvia Geoghegan E.A.R.N. Program.

The Sylvia Geoghegan Presidential E.A.R.N. (Employ Ability Right Now) Program was created to increase employment opportunities for people with disabilities at Stony Brook by matching campus job opportunities with capable people.

By providing financial assistance and support service incentives to department chairs and administrators who interview and hire people with disabilities, the E.A.R.N. Program creates a win-win solution for the department and the individuals who are hired. It is easy, fast, and rewarding.

Benefits to the Hiring Department

- Obtain competent, highly motivated, skilled employees
- Employ someone at no cost to the departmental budget for the first three months
- Benefit from a quick and efficient hiring process
- Take advantage of the opportunity to recruit from among an underutilized group of workers
- Receive specialized recruitment, education, and support services from the campus Disabilities Office and/or the Office of Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities (VESID)
- Demonstrate departmental leadership in helping people with disabilities obtain jobs
- Take advantage of an opportunity to diversify the department's workforce

Benefits to the Individual Hired

- Contribute skills and abilities to meet campus workforce needs
- Work in a stimulating university environment
- Receive the support services of the campus Disabilities Office and/or VESID
- Gain opportunities for ongoing education, training, and career development

For more information, contact Stony Brook's Disabilities Support Services Office at 632-6748, or call VESID at 632-6757.

Stony Brook Attracts High Achievers

During the past few years, Stony Brook has been making a concerted effort to attract Intel and National Merit Scholars. The research that these students conduct in high school is what earns them their scholarship monies and alerts universities to their research potential on the undergraduate level.

Two years ago, President Kenny launched an initiative known as Presidential Recognition Scholarships to acknowledge achievements in the National Merit Scholarship® Program and the Intel Science Talent Search, and to attract these research-oriented high-achievers. Five Intel semifinalists and five National Merit finalists registered as freshmen this year at Stony Brook.

The Intel competition, which netted 66 semifinalists from Long Island this year in a national research contest, was known as the Westinghouse competition until several years ago. Intel, a maker of computer chips, awards all semifinalists prizes of \$1,000 and an equal amount is given to their high schools to support education in science and mathematics. At the end of March, 40 finalists will be announced. They will compete for \$530,000 in scholarships, including a \$100,000 top prize.

National Merit Scholarship Awards are supported by roughly 600 independent sponsors and the National Merit Scholarship Program's own funds. More than a million high school students enter the competition. About 16,000 qualify as semifinalists, and about half of those go on to finalist status.

National Merit finalist Marie Huchton, a freshman from Los Alamos, New Mexico, heard about Stony Brook from a friend on Long Island. Los Alamos, she said, "is a town where everyone is a scientist and their children are expected to do well." She is mulling a double major in psychology and women's studies.

Her roommate, freshman Vanessa Maybeck from West Islip, another National Merit finalist, conducted research on skin culture while in high school. She now works as a lab assistant at the Centers for Molecular Medicine and wants to be a bioengineer.

Freshman National Merit finalist Amy Roberts from northern Indiana was leafing through an American Physics Society publication when she read that Stony Brook was a leading research university. The cellist's academic goal is to "test a particular part of the standard model of physics."

Sophomore Brett Depoister, a native of Reading, Pennsylvania, is a 1999 Intel finalist who, at 19, has conducted research on frog abnormalities in Australia, represented North America in a science competition in Sweden, and worked at Merck and Co. laboratories as a result of his Intel research. An aspiring pharmacologist, Depoister said, "When I was a kid, I went to the pet store instead of the toy store. I was always interested in science."

Afflicted with the congenital condition of spina bifida, freshman Jennifer Choi from Westbury sought to establish a link between the motor and sensory nerves in her high school research project. A phone call from Provost Robert McGrath and subsequent visits to campus convinced Choi of Stony Brook's extensive research possibilities.

Faculty and staff are encouraged to refer the names of exceptional high school students to Gigi Lamens, Dean of Admissions, at 632-6874, or Barbara Fletcher, Director of Undergraduate Scholarships, at 632-6712.

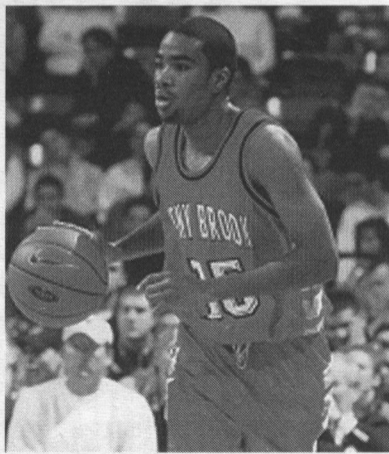
Record Crowd Cheers Seawolves to Victory

Playing in front of more than 3,500 fans—the largest crowd of the season—the men's basketball team defeated SUNY Binghamton 66-56 at their home finale on Saturday, February 24, which was televised live on the Metro channel. This gave the team an impressive 13-1 home record. In only their second season at the Division I level, the team improved from a 6-23 record last year to finish this season with an overall record of 17-11.

As is tradition, the last home game is always Seniors Day. Graduating seniors—including Chris Balliro, Leon Brisport, Rob Hartman, and Josh Little—were honored before the final home stand with framed photos of themselves playing at the St. John's game. While the team got off to a slow start with Binghamton racing ahead to a 13-1 lead, the Seawolves came back with a vengeance with a 13-2 point run, led by Balliro's three-point play and freshman D.J. Munir's steal and fast break layup. They took the lead on Brisport's putback and didn't look back. During the second half, the Seawolves exploded with a 24-7 point run. Brisport led the Seawolves with 20 points and 10 rebounds, marking his 13th double-double of the season. Munir chipped in with 14 points and five assists, while Balliro added 13 points off the bench.

The Seawolves have been praised for their triumphant season and have even received national recognition for their turnaround. They have also been ranked 23rd in the nation in field goal percentage at .481.

Next year, fans will have even more to look forward to when the Seawolves play in the America East Conference, which will give them access to making the NCAA tournament. For more information or to purchase tickets for next season, visit www.goseawolves.org.



D.J. Munir and the Seawolves defeated Binghamton.

Discussion of Equality in Education

Wednesday, March 28

More than 200 educators, administrators, and students will focus on issues relating to gender equity at a conference that is one of the largest events of its kind on Long Island. "Blueprint for Gender Equity in Education: Students and Educators as Partners for Change," will take place on Wednesday, March 28, in the Student Activities Center from 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., and will include presentations by school districts and educational organizations from across Nassau and Suffolk Counties.

The conference features a welcome address by President Kenny and an opening keynote address by Dr. Nancy J. Vickers, President of Bryn Mawr College. The luncheon keynote address will be presented by Michael S. Kimmel, Professor of Sociology at Stony Brook.

The event—which is presented by Stony Brook's Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching and the Long Island Fund for Women and Girls, and is co-sponsored by Stony Brook's Office of Diversity and Affirmative Action—also features two workshop sessions. The workshops cover a variety of topics, such as "Understanding and Addressing Sexual Harassment in Middle School," "Girl Power: Putting Girls on the Technology Track," and "Transforming a Curriculum to Reflect a World That Is Half Female."

Pre-registration is \$35, onsite registration is \$45, and all student registration is \$5. A buffet lunch is included. Conference information and registration forms are available online at www.celt.sunysb.edu and at www.lifwg.org. For more information, contact Janice Grackin at 632-1057.

CELT Series to Begin April 5

The Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching's (CELT) problem-solving series for faculty will continue this semester with a session beginning on April 5, "Approaches to the Learning and Teaching of Problem Solving," from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at CELT, which is located in Room E1337 of the Melville Library.

Gary Halada from the Department of Materials Science and Engineering will discuss "Processes for Teaching Engineering Design," Gary Mar from the Department of Philosophy will discuss "Strategies for the Teaching of Logic," and Tom Sexton from the Harriman School for Management and Policy will discuss the "Case Study Approach."

To register for the seminar, visit www.celt.sunysb.edu and click on "Activities for Spring 2001," or call Rita Reagan Redko at 632-1057.

Library News

The Library has received *Six Bridges: the Legacy of Othmar H. Ammann*, by Darl Rastorfer. The book is a gift from Ammann's daughter, Margot Ammann Durrer. Ammann College in Mendelsohn Quad is named after her father. The book will be housed in Special Collections.

The Library has added the *Encyclopedia of Astronomy and Astrophysics* (EAA) to its research databases collection, available to all identified users from the library's home page on the Web, which is at www.sunysb.edu/library/ldsubs.htm. This electronic resource uses more than 800 experts to explain 30 specialized areas. With more than 14,000 entries, each article spans its subject at a range of levels.

Jacobsen Honored for Research

Chris Jacobsen, Associate Professor, Department of Physics and Astronomy, has been named "Outstanding Young Scientist" by the Microbeam Analysis Society (MAS) for his pioneering work in x-ray microscopy and spectromicroscopy.

The zone plates that he has fabricated are used to produce the finest focus of electromagnetic radiation of any wavelength. They are used at a soft x-ray undulator x-ray source at the National Synchrotron Light Source at Brookhaven National Laboratory for high-resolution imaging and spectroscopy of biological and environmental science specimens.

The award will be presented at the 2001 Microscopy and Microanalysis meeting in Long Beach on Tuesday, August 7, at the MAS Presidential Happenings Session.

Center for Survey Research Expands

Stony Brook's Center for Survey Research began its operations in March 2000. It is a state-of-the-art facility designed to conduct telephone and mail interviews with individuals and organizations throughout the United States.

Since its inception, the Center has conducted a number of telephone polls for faculty and administrative units on campus. However, it has now extended its operation to include off-campus clients while continuing to serve the needs of the campus research community. The addition of off-campus clients will help to ensure that the Center operates year round and is available to conduct surveys for campus clients as needed.

The Center just completed a telephone poll for *Newsday* on reactions to the current state of the economy; 902 adults on Long Island and 592 in Queens were interviewed between January 25 and February 25. This consumer confidence survey found that people are more concerned about both the current Long Island economy and its future outlook than at any time since the poll began in 1997.

"There's real concern out there about what's happening with the Long Island economy," said Leonie Huddy, Director of the Center for Survey Research. "We saw a definite drop in consumer confidence that's in sync with the national scene. Most people are still cautiously optimistic about the direction of their personal finances and the stock market," she said, "but they're concerned about the direction of the nation and Long Island."

Some other topics included in the poll results were strategies of stockholders, perceptions of the future of the stock market, and attitudes toward the Bush administration's tax cut proposals. For detailed results of this poll, log on to www.newsday.com/ebiz.

Whether providing its services to on- or off-campus clients, the goal of the Center is to provide high-quality research services to groups such as university faculty and administration; federal, state, and local government agencies; the media; and non-profit organizations. The Center has the management, staff, and facilities to conduct all phases of surveys including sample and study design. For additional information about the Center and its services, visit the Web page at www.sunysb.edu/surveys, or call 632-1498.

Year of Community Service

Habitat for Humanity Helps Build New Life

Barbara Devlin is a clinical assistant in the operating room at University Hospital. At 35, she has endured more hardship than most people encounter in a lifetime. And if it weren't for her parents' prayers, her own faith, and an organization called Habitat for Humanity International, the strong-willed mother of two might have succumbed to her adversity.

At the age of 10, Devlin suffered a brain aneurysm and was in a coma for nearly a month. When she came out of it, she was blind. Luckily, doctors were able to help restore her sight. Devlin credits her parents' relentless religious faith for her second chance.

Two decades later, that faith was severely tested again. This time, while Devlin was pregnant with her second daughter Nicole, she suffered life-threatening complications and Nicole was born with cerebral palsy.

Devlin's life had hit rock bottom. Living in a walk-up apartment in Nesconset, Devlin recalls that time with crystal clarity. "I looked at the walls, which were cracking. I said to myself, 'This is God's way of saying this is as bad as it gets.'"

She and her husband, Peter, a bayman, were struggling. They owned one car that wasn't handicap accessible, and they had to juggle their work schedules to care for their disabled child and other daughter.

A phone call from her mother-in-law changed her life. "She called to tell me there was an application for low-income housing in the newspaper." Not long after she applied, Barbara got a phone call to attend a meeting at a Smithtown church where she and nearly 30 other applicants were screened for eligibility for housing under Habitat for Humanity, an international organization that provides affordable housing with help from local community members.

Barbara and her husband were selected. Roger Metcalf, the Director of Habitat for Humanity of Suffolk, called to tell her that they had determined a site on three quarters of an acre where the Devlins would be building their new affordable home. As is customary, she was required to contribute 500 hours of "sweat equity" building her house, a three-bedroom ranch in Kings Park, and then help construct another family's house. They worked from April to August with scores of other volunteers and moved into their new house in September.

"If you're rejected, you have to wait another year to fill out a new application," said Devlin. You can only apply for housing in the area where you've established residency for roughly ten years. There is the only Habitat house constructed in Kings Park.

Volunteers come from all over the community; local schools raise money to acquire land; and businesses, corporations, and individuals cover the costs of building materials.

Life has continued to improve for the Devlins. With mortgage payments of less than \$600 a month and no interest to pay, they can now concentrate on making life more comfortable for Nicole, who is five, and their older daughter, Kerri, seven. Today, Barbara devotes many hours to sharing her success story with various community groups at Habitat for Humanity-sponsored activities.

On March 31 and April 21, volunteers from campus will be going to local communities to help build Habitat homes. To find out more about Habitat for Humanity, visit www.habitat.org.

Sometimes, if you want to make a difference, you have to build it by hand.

SBU Senior Aids in Campus Rescue

The Department of Parking Services was on duty for the Suffolk County Boys Basketball Finals at the Sports Complex on the evening of Wednesday, February 28. Christopher Maisano, a senior at Stony Brook and a volunteer EMT/firefighter, was working for Parking Services that night. While he was covering the lot closest to the Complex, a man ran up to him yelling that his wife was having a heart attack in their car.

Police Officer Jackie Van De Mark, who was also on duty, immediately called for an ambulance while Maisano followed the man to his car. Soon after Maisano opened the car door, the woman went into cardiac arrest.

Officer Michael Ochoa and Detective Todd Stumpf arrived to help. Detective Stumpf and Maisano began administering CPR and the campus ambulance arrived soon after. Maisano continued to give the woman aid on the way to University Hospital, where the Trauma Team was able to revive her.

Maisano said, "This is a traumatic experience for the patient and her husband, and also for the rescuers. I've worked with the University Police Department for almost four years and will always have the highest respect for them. I'd like to commend and applaud the outstanding performance of the officers, especially Detective Todd Stumpf, for going beyond the call of duty."

SB on Science Coalition Web Site

March 19 through March 25

The Science Coalition is an alliance of more than 400 organizations: major public and private research universities, businesses, Nobel laureates, voluntary health organizations, medical groups, health care providers, scientific societies, and individuals. The Coalition's mission is to expand and strengthen the federal government's investment in university-based scientific, medical engineering, and agricultural research.

Each week of the year, two member universities are featured on the "On Campus" section of the Coalition's Web site, which is www.sciencecoalition.org. Stony Brook will be featured from March 19 through March 25.

This year, Stony Brook's site will highlight research breakthroughs, such as Approaching the Big Bang, Science Hollywood Style, The Closest Neutron Star, Where Did All the Lobsters Go?, Making DNA Micro-Arrays Better, Microbes at the South Pole, and The First Drug to Fight Gum Disease.

\$13K Raised for Earthquake Relief

The Center for India Studies raised \$13,000 at a recent Benefit Concert in aid of the victims of the major earthquake in Gujarat, India. The concert was given by Stony Brook Adjunct Professor Aruna Sharma, who teaches Indian Classical Music at the Center. The Executive Committee of the Center for India Studies, headed by Dr. Azad K. Anand, organized the event. The funds will be donated to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund.

Year of Community Service Upcoming Events

Me and Isaac Newton Screening, March 27, 7:00 p.m., Staller Center

See Michael Apted's (*Coal Miner's Daughter*, *Gorillas in the Mist*) award-winning film featuring Stony Brook Anthropology Professor Patricia Wright. Dr. Wright will introduce the film and answer questions afterward in the Staller Center Lobby, where refreshments will be served. Tickets are available in advance from the Staller Center Box Office (632-ARTS). Seating is limited.

Paul Loeb Lecture, April 4, 12:40 p.m.-1:40 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 their actions count at a time when they're told that neither matter.

Fountain Festival, May 2, 12:40 p.m., Academic Mall

Enjoy a special day of food, fun, and festivities including the Strawberry Festival, musical entertainment, Diversity and Wellness and volunteer programs, student booths, games, and a live performance by the Stony Brook Jazz Band.

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@stonybrook.edu.

Computer Show And Sale

MarketPro, a promoter of computer shows, will return to Stony Brook on Saturday and Sunday, March 17 and 18, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Sports Complex.

The MarketPro computer show and sale provides consumers with savings up to 80 percent off retail prices. Computer enthusiasts can enjoy a diverse selection of quality products at competitive prices and learn about the latest technological developments. There will be more than 150 tables of vendor merchandise from all over the tri-state area.

Admission is \$7 for adults; children under 12 are free. For more information, call (800) 532-6678 or log on to www.marketpro.com.

WUSB Spring Radiothon

WUSB 90.1 FM's Spring Radiothon 2001 fund drive is running now 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. Donors will be eligible to receive WUSB shirts, hats, mugs, or music CDs and gift certificates.

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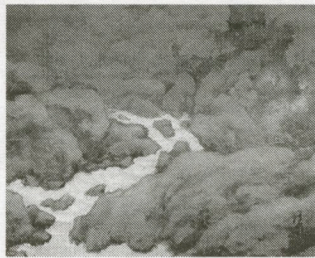
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Brush Strokes: Four of a Kind

In celebration of Asian heritage, the "Four of a Kind" exhibit will be at the Stony Brook Union Art Gallery from Wednesday, March 28 through Thursday, April 12. The exhibit demonstrates the different styles of brush strokes commonly used in East Asian ink painting. The featured artists are Stony Brook alumna Diane Lundegaard, Qingxiong Ma, Stony Brook M.F.A. student Ji-Hyun Seo, and Sung-Sook Setton. There will be a reception for the artists on Thursday, March 29 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.



Chinese Landscape by Qingxioug Ma

Gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. For more information, please call Marcia Wiener at 632-6820.

Multi-Ethnic Eating Tour Sunday, April 22

Join a walking tour featuring the historic and gastronomic delights of the Jewish East Side, Chinatown, and Little Italy. Learn about this fascinating "land of the immigrants."

Participants will meet in front of the Administration Building at 9:00 a.m. and return to campus by 6:00 p.m. The tour costs \$53 per person, which includes the bus, guided tour, and lunch. Lunch will be at Umberto's in Little Italy and includes a house salad, rigatoni with vodka sauce, and rigatoni with marinara sauce; a choice of entrée (chicken parmigiana, eggplant parmigiana, or sausage and peppers); and a glass of wine.

To sign up for the tour, call Augusta Kuhn at 632-7280 or Julie Barresi at 632-6249 before March 23.

Eugene Weidman Wellness Center Spring Seminars

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, 3:30 p.m., 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 Spring Training Schedule

Sexual Harassment Prevention
March 30, 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., HSC
April 11, 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m., SAC
April 27, 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., HSC

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

Preventing and Reporting Sexual Harassment for Managers
April 18, 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m., SAC

Diversity 101 for Managers and Supervisors
May 9, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., SAC

For more information, contact Denise Gross, Training and Organizational Development, at 632-4501.

The Shirley Strum Kenny Arts Festival April 16-22

The annual Shirley Strum Kenny Arts Festival Street Fair and Gala Performance will be held April 16-22. Students are urged to submit applications describing their project, which will be presented at one of the events. To be a part of this event, submit your applications now; they are available in the Women's Studies Office, 105 Old Chemistry, or from artsfestival2001@hotmail.com.

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 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.

DMV on Campus

The Department of Motor Vehicles will be on campus as a convenience to students, faculty, and staff.

Tuesday-Thursday, March 13-15
Tuesday-Thursday, April 17-19
Student Activities Center Lobby
For more information, please call Jack Franqui at 632-6730.

SAVE THE DATE

Take Our Daughters To Work Day April 27

CALENDAR March 14 - March 30

ART/MUSIC/THEATRE

Now to 3/15, Thursday. Women's History Month Exhibit. "Now That Spirituality Is Cool" featuring the South Bay Art Association and Stony Brook alumni and community members. For more information, call 632-6820. Stony Brook Union Art Gallery hours: Monday-Friday, 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

3/15, Thursday. Women Composers Concert. In celebration of Women's History Month, this concert presents chamber music composed by women from a variety of musical periods. For more information, call the 632-7330. 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.

3/24, Saturday. Long Island Philharmonic. For more information and tickets, call the Philharmonic at (631) 293-2223. 8:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center.

3/25, Sunday. Baroque Sundays at Three. Chamber music featuring harpsichordist and Stony Brook Alumna Ho Sun Moon with her ensemble La Brillante with Baroque violin, flute, and viola da gamba. For more information, call 632-7330. 3:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center.

3/25, Sunday. AEROS Dance-Acrobatic Spectacular. AEROS is an exciting new form of entertainment that unites 15

Olympic Medal-winning members of the world-famous Romanian Gymnastics Team. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 7:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$29.

3/31, Saturday. Maureen McGovern and John Pizzarelli. Joined by the John Pizzarelli Trio and Big Band Swing Orchestra for an exclusive performance that brings together jazz and pop styles. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$32.

SEMINARS/LECTURES

3/15, Thursday. Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar. Dr. Marvin Evinger hosts Dr. Art Tischler, Department of Pathology, New England Medical Center, who will discuss "Pheochromocytoma Cell Lines from Neurofibromatosis Knockout Mice: New Models for Neurobiology." 12:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

3/15, Thursday. New Latino Scholars. The Latin American and Caribbean Center presents Adriana Zavala from Brown University who will discuss "Frida Kahlo and Maria Izquierdo: The Female Body and Mexicanidad." For more information, call 632-7517. 2:30 p.m.-3:45 p.m. Room N320, SBS Building.

3/15, Thursday. Geosciences Colloquium. Javiera Cervini from the University of California at Berkeley will discuss "Interactions of Organic Compounds with Clay Minerals in Aqueous Environments." For more information, call 632-8200. 4:00 p.m.

(Refreshments at 3:45) Gil Hanson Seminar Room, ESS Building.

3/20, Tuesday. Geosciences Colloquium. Yingwei Fei from the Carnegie Institution of Washington will discuss "Diamond-Anvil Cell as a Window to the Earth's Interior." For more information, call 632-8200. 4:00 p.m. (Refreshments at 3:45) Gil Hanson Seminar Room, ESS Building.

3/28, Wednesday. Marine Biology Explorations. Sam Sadove, noted sea turtle biologist and conservationist, presents "Sea Turtles." For more information, call Jeffrey Levinton at 632-8602. 7:00 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

3/29, Thursday. Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar. Dr. Joseph Fetcho hosts Dr. Peter Hitchcock, Department of Ophthalmology, University of Michigan, who will discuss "Persistent Neurogenesis in a Vertebrate Retina: Putative Stem Cells and the Mitogenic Peptide IGF-I." 12:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

3/29, Thursday. OBA-Office Based Anesthesia. The Department of Anesthesiology presents this visiting professor lecture featuring Rebecca Twersky, Professor of Clinical Anesthesiology; Vice Chair for Research SUNY Health Science Center at Brooklyn; and Director, Division of Ambulatory Anesthesia, Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn. 5:00 p.m. Level 2, Lecture Hall 1, HSC.

3/30, Friday. Recovery and Discharge of Ambulatory Anesthesia Patients. The

Department of Anesthesiology presents this visiting professor lecture featuring Rebecca Twersky, Professor of Clinical Anesthesiology; Vice Chair for Research SUNY Health Science Center at Brooklyn; and Director, Division of Ambulatory Anesthesia, Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn. 5:00 p.m. Level 2, Lecture Hall 1, HSC.

3/30, Friday. Geology Open Night. Professor John Parise, Department of Geosciences, discusses "Disposal of Radioactive Waste Using Mineral-Inspired Sepulchres." 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building. Free and open to the public.

SPECIAL EVENTS

3/21, Wednesday. Wellness Day. Workshops, health talks, demonstrations, blood pressure and osteoporosis screenings, raffle prizes, and free samples. Enjoy food, facials, mini-massages, and more. "Move for Life" Walk at 8:00 a.m. at Nicolls Road tunnel. For more information, call 444-7880. 10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Health Sciences Center.

3/30, Friday. Seventeenth Annual Student Poetry Contest. Sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of Italian, Long Island Chapter; the Center for Italian Studies; and the Center for Excellence and Innovation in Education. Recitations and original poems by secondary school students of Italian. For more information, call 632-7444. 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. LIU Brentwood Campus, Main Building.