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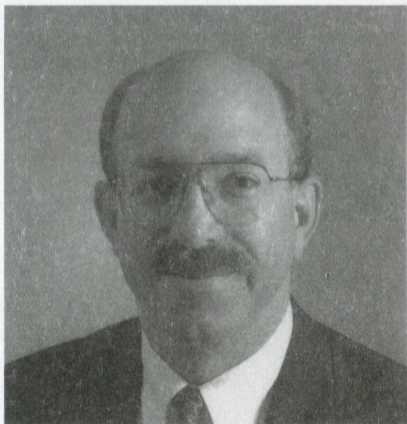
## Hospital Bids Farewell to Seale

After 20 years of dedicated service, Paul E. Seale, chief operating officer of University Hospital and Medical Center, will be leaving to assume the position of president and chief executive officer of New Isle Hospital in Bethpage. He will begin his new position this May.

Seale's diverse contributions to Stony Brook have been integral to the ever-growing success of our academic medical center. Since he joined the staff in 1978, the medical center has benefited from his many strengths. He has been responsible for nearly every hospital department during his tenure.

As a member of the management team originally brought together to open University Hospital in 1980, Seale has held several positions within hospital administration during his tenure. From July 1995 to the present, he served as the chief operating officer, overseeing the day-to-day operations of the entire institution.

Prior to this leadership role, Seale was the associate executive director for the Cardiovascular Services from 1992 to 1995. He spearheaded the development of the University Heart Center as the service-line manager.



Paul E. Seale

Reflecting on Seale as a colleague and friend, Dr. Michael A. Maffetone, director and chief executive officer, University Hospital, said: "On behalf of the University Hospital community, I wish to take this opportunity to extend our heartfelt gratitude for his outstanding service and dedication to the mission of University Hospital and Medical Center. On a personal level, he will be missed."

### Don't Forget!

**Roth Pond Regatta**

**Friday, April 30**

**3 p.m.**

Join in the fun as brave sailors test their boats in the ultimate race.

## Paleontologists Discover Missing Link



Professor Krause and one of the fossils he and his team discovered in the rocks of Madagascar.

For the past few years, Professor David Krause of the Department of Anatomical Sciences has led a team of researchers to Berivotra, a remote village on the island of Madagascar, off the southeast coast of Africa. Though legend has it that Captain Kidd and other pirates buried their plunder somewhere on this tropical island's sandy shores, this group of treasure hunters went in search of a different kind of bounty: the fossils of dinosaurs and other extinct animals that roamed the island 70 million years ago. Thus far their efforts have yielded extraordinary results.

They discovered a near-perfect skull of *Majungatholus atopus*, one of the most ferocious dinosaurs to ever roam the earth; they found the bones of a monstrous crocodile, *Mahajangasuchus insignis*; and with the discovery of the skeleton of *Rahonavis ostromi*, they established the link between dinosaurs and birds.

In 1996, while excavating at one of the digs, Krause and his team, which includes Anatomical Sciences colleague Dr. Catherine Forster, noticed several village children standing quietly at the perimeter, watching with intense curiosity. They soon found out that the village was too poor to build a school, or even to pay the annual salary of a teacher (\$250). They also discovered that there were no medical facilities for the children or their parents.

### Making A Difference

Krause and his team were determined to give something back to the people of the island. The villagers had welcomed them into their area with open arms and had routinely assisted by carrying some of the largest dinosaur bones to waiting trucks. The researchers gave whatever pens, pencils, paper, and books they had available and hired a teacher from the nearby city of Mahajanga immediately. The village church doubled as a school.

In a return expedition in 1998 it was learned that, because of religious differences, many of the children were not allowed to attend. The researchers decided to build a school for all the children of the village. They dug into their pockets and, by the end of the field season, a new school had almost been completed. The villagers named it Sekoly Riambato, which means The Stony Brook School.

Upon returning to New York, Krause realized that, in order to make the school permanent, provide even the most basic health care for the villagers, and potentially to build schools and clinics in other remote parts of the island, he would need to quickly learn how to do some serious fundraising. He established the Madagascar Ankizy Fund ("ankizy" means "children" in the Malagasy language) through the Stony Brook Foundation. A major fundraising effort will revolve around a temporary exhibition of the fossils that Dr. Krause and his team discovered on Madagascar entitled "The Dinosaurs of Treasure Island," and will be shown from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on May 1 and 2 in the Earth and Space Sciences Building.

If you would like more information about the Madagascar Ankizy Fund, you can write to: Dr. David Krause, SUNY at Stony Brook, Department of Anatomical Sciences, Stony Brook, NY 11794-8081, or e-mail him at: [dkrause@mail.som.sunysb.edu](mailto:dkrause@mail.som.sunysb.edu).

## Astronomers Published in *Nature*

Stony Brook's astronomers have done it again—they have had their discoveries published in a leading international journal. First, *Science* magazine revealed how our scientists were "winning the race to the edge of the universe," and now more results have been printed in *Nature* magazine. A paper by Hsiao-Wen Chen, Kenneth M. Lanzetta, and Sebastian Pascarelle, researchers in the Physics and Astronomy department, was published in the April 15 issue of *Nature*. The paper, entitled "Spectroscopic identification of a galaxy at a probable redshift of  $z = 6.68$ ," reports on the technique the scientists used to discover the most distant galaxy yet.

The Stony Brook team believes that the detection and identification of distant galaxies is an important goal of observational cosmology, as such galaxies are seen at a time when the universe was very young. By developing new techniques and equipment, scientist can search for ever-fainter galaxies, assisting attempts to determine when the first stars and galaxies formed. In the *Nature* article, they report on how the techniques they are using enabled them to identify a galaxy at a probable redshift of 6.68, the most distant object yet detected.

To view the article, visit *Nature's* Web site at [www.nature.com](http://www.nature.com) for the entire text. A PDF version of the article is also available for downloading. Prior to this paper, Lanzetta and other researchers had published a paper in *Science* detailing how they were the first to use the infrared technique to date the most distant galaxies from data obtained by NASA's Hubble Telescope.

**PROFESSOR MICHAEL GAZZANIGA**  
WORLD FAMOUS PIONEER OF  
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**"AUTOMATIC MINDS AND  
CONSCIOUS EXPERIENCE"**

Don't miss this fascinating talk by the Dartmouth College professor and world-renowned author of many popular books, including *Nature's Mind*, and, most recently, *The Mind's Past*.

**Wednesday, April 28**  
**5:30 p.m.**  
**Staller Center**  
**Main Stage**

For more information,  
call 632-8548.  
Sponsored by the  
Swartz Foundation.

## Chemical Society Awards Ojima



Iwao Ojima.

Distinguished Professor Iwao Ojima, chairman of the Department of Chemistry, received "The Chemical Society of Japan Award," the most prestigious award given by the society. The award was bestowed at the society's Annual National Meeting in Yokohama, Japan on March 29.

The Chemical Society of Japan was founded in 1878 and is the largest academic-industry association in Japan. The award cites his distinguished achievements in the "Development of New Methodologies for Organic Syntheses and their Applications to Biomedical Research." Ojima's pioneering and world-leading research on the development of catalytic asymmetric synthesis and numerous synthetic methodologies, peptides and peptidomimetics, organofluorine compounds of medicinal interest, and the chemistry and biology of taxol and taxol-related anticancer agents was the basis of this award.

One of Ojima's "Second Generation Taxoids," which possesses exceptional activity against drug-resistant tumors and is orally active, has been selected as a clinical candidate and is currently under development in industrial firms. Also, his very recent work on the "Common Pharmacophore for Cytotoxic Natural Products that Stabilize Microtubules" has just appeared in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science*.

## Orchestra to Give Concert on May 4

The Stony Brook Orchestra, directed by Miriam Burns, will be performing a concert on Tuesday, May 4 at 8 p.m. on the Main Stage of the Staller Center.

The all-student ensemble features Stony Brook graduate and undergraduate students and select members of the Stony Brook Young Scholars Program who are high school students from the local community. The program will include Vivaldi's *Concerto for Two Trumpets*; Mendelssohn's *Fair Melusine Overture, op. 32*; Weber's *Concert #2 (1st movement) for clarinet*; Tchaikovsky's *Valse Scherzo for Violin and Orchestra*; and Dvorak's *Czech Suite, op. 39*. Featured soloists are Catherine Brown, clarinet, winner of the Annual Undergraduate Concerto Competition; Lucas Guideri, violin; and Robert Donnelly and George Glikos, trumpets.

Tickets are \$6 for general admission, \$3 for senior citizens and students. Call the Staller Center box office at 632-ARTS for more information.

## SUNY Ranks High for Information Technology

The State University of New York (SUNY) is ranked among the best educational institutions in the country for innovative use of information technology (IT), according to the leading news weekly covering that issue. In a recent issue of *PC Week*, SUNY was ranked seventh among educational institutions in their listing of "Fast-Track Technology Innovators." The same report ranked SUNY eleventh in a combined list of top "100 IT Innovators in Government and Education." The rankings demonstrate how these institutions, by using the latest technology in creative ways, improve upon the way information and services are delivered to students, employees, and taxpayers.

### Examples of SUNY's technological superiority can be seen in:

- the SUNY Learning Network, the program that allows students to take courses online from anywhere, anytime;
- the opportunity for students to apply online for entrance to the SUNY campus of their choice;
- the linkage of all campuses with high speed telecommunications; and
- steps toward creating a virtual library throughout the university system.

The rankings put SUNY ahead of the California State University and dozens of other highly regarded universities, the prestigious Smithsonian Institution, nearly every other federal agency and department, and all 50 state governments. In all, the rankings analyzed "detailed information about specific technologies deployed at some 260,000 government and non-government locations in North America," *PC Week* said.

The *PC Week* ranking is just the latest example of the huge success the State University has had with several different independent national surveys of higher education. Most recently, *Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine* listed more SUNY campuses among the top 100 state college and university values than from any other public system. The magazine identified State University campuses at Stony Brook, Binghamton, Geneseo, Albany, Buffalo, Fredonia, Oswego, and Plattsburgh in its top 100 rankings.

## Campus Celebrates WMHO Anniversary



Gloria Rocchio, president of the Ward Melville Heritage Organization, blows out the candles on the 60th Anniversary cake with a little help from three party goers as President Shirley Strum Kenny looks on.

Happy birthday echoed throughout the Student Activities Center on Wednesday, April 6 as the Stony Brook Gospel Choir and campus and community guests joined together to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Ward Melville Heritage Organization (WMHO).

The University hosted the party to salute the village and all the wonderful things the Ward Melville Heritage Organization has done for the campus and the community throughout the past 60 years. The evening began in the Library Galleria where the Camerata Singers and the Stony Brook Graduate String Quartet performed as guests mingled and looked at the "Melville Family Legacy" exhibit, which is on display in the Galleria until the end of May. The display includes a model of the University as it looked in the early 1970s.

President Shirley Strum Kenny then expressed her gratitude to Gloria Rocchio, president of WMHO, for all she and the organization have done for the University. Following the performance of the Camerata Singers, local school children—who decorated birthday candles in honor of the anniversary—were given awards for their handiwork.

The celebration continued at the Student Activities Center Lobby where the Stony Brook Jazz Ensemble and the Stony Brook Gospel Choir entertained guests as the 60th Anniversary Cake was cut. The choir sang a special rendition of Steve Wonder's *Happy Birthday* song especially for the event.

Many more special activities in honor of the anniversary will continue throughout the year in the village of Stony Brook. For more information, visit the village's Web site at [www.stonybrookvillage.com](http://www.stonybrookvillage.com).

## Mentor Program Enhances Lives

The Stony Brook Mentor Program not only benefits the students who participate, but it changes the lives of those who volunteer to be mentors as well. Mentors are currently needed in preparation for the Fall semester.

The program is designed to enhance a student's quality of life, assist in their personal and social development, and promote academic success. However, the mentor always seems to reap as many benefits as the "mentored."

"Being a mentor has been one of the most enjoyable and fulfilling aspects of being at Stony Brook," reveals Norman Goodman, Distinguished Teaching and Sociology Professor. "It has allowed me to play a more personal and direct role in encouraging and supporting the growth and development of students than is typically offered in the classroom. It is an exhilarating and rewarding experience."

Time constraints are a concern to faculty, staff, and students alike. But mentoring doesn't take up as much time as one might think. Initially, it is suggested that students meet with their mentor once a week for the first month. After that, the mentor and student decide how often to get together.

In addition to the time spent with students, the program provides mentors with tickets to special events, such as concerts, or movie passes to the Staller Center. There is also an annual End of the Year Celebration for students and mentors to get together and reminisce. This year's celebration took place on April 20 in the Student Activities Center Auditorium.

If you are interested in becoming a mentor or have questions about the program, please call Gina Badamo, director of the Mentor program, at 632-7082.

## JoAnne Brackeen Joins Jazz Ensemble

The Stony Brook Jazz Ensemble welcomes guest artist JoAnne Brackeen to their jazz concert Thursday, April 29 at 8 p.m. in the Staller Center Recital Hall. Brackeen has been described as

"one of jazz's most prized possessions: a virtuoso pianist and master composer who epitomizes the history and evolution of jazz from traditional to free, and everything in between." Her unique sound was honed through a period of apprenticeship with some of the world's greatest musical names: Art Blakey, Joe Henderson, Stan Getz, and many others.

The Jazz Ensemble will perform three of Brackeen's compositions as well as numbers such as *Love Walked In*, *Lullaby in Rhythm*, *Prelude and Mood*, *Moten Swing*, and *Half the Fun*. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3 for students and seniors. To order tickets, call 632-ARTS.



## Faculty News: In the Spotlight

Professor **Christina Y. Bethin**, Department of Linguistics, received the 1998 American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages (AATSEEL) Book Prize for her book, *Slavic Prosody: Language Change and Phonological Theory* (Cambridge University Press, 1998) at the annual meeting of the association, December 28-30, 1998 in San Francisco. The prize is awarded for the best book in Slavic or East European linguistics written in the past three years . . . **James H. Rubin**, professor and chair of the Art department, was recently named to the International Committee of the College Art Association (the professional organization for his academic field). As a result of that position, he was also named as the first representative of the CAA to the United Nations, following the U.N.'s official recognition of the CAA as a Registered Non-Governmental Association . . . **Dr. John Ricotta**, the Department of Surgery, has been elected vice president of the Society of Clinical Vascular Surgery. This is a group of 1,000 vascular surgeons and is the second largest group of vascular surgeons in the country. Ricotta will also be speaking at the spring meeting of the American College of Surgeons on "Management of Carotid Restenosis."

### Book Notes

**Dr. Craig Lehmann**, Health Technology department, has learned that his new text book, *Saunders Manual of Clinical Laboratory Science*, has been selected by the latest edition of *Doody's Rating Service: A Buyer's Guide to the 250 Best Health Science Books*. This was one of the five Saunders books selected. They were chosen out of 3,200 books and 275 publishers. All the associate and assistant editors on the book came from the School of Health Technology and Management. They are: **Karen Escobias**, **Kathleen Finnegan**, **Deborah Firestone**, **Ronald Malowitz**, **Maria Reitano**, **Candace Golightly**, and **Mary Hotaling**. All but two of the 23 authors are from SUNY schools and of these 17 are from the HSC at Stony Brook . . . Professor **Robert P. Crease**, the director of the graduate program in the Department of Philosophy, has just had his latest book published by the University of Chicago Press. *Making Physics* hit the book racks in February.



## Countdown to Commencement



The Office of Conferences and Special Events is still seeking volunteers to see that all the Commencement Activities run smoothly.

Please call 632-6320 if you can spare some time on either Thursday, May 13 or Friday, May 14.

There will be many extra cars on campus on Friday so please arrive early if you plan to park on the Main Campus (especially if you park in the garage).

## Major Companies to Support Pow Wow

**C**ablevision, Computer Associates, the Suffolk County Office of Tourism, and the Long Island Rail Road are all putting their full support behind the First Annual Stony Brook Pow Wow and Native American Arts Festival. Co-sponsored by the University and the Montaukett Indian Nation, the Pow Wow runs from Friday, June 18 through Sunday, June 20 at the Sports Complex.

In addition to donating funds to support the initiative, Cablevision will be running television commercials to promote the event. Long Island Rail Road will help get the word out by posting flyers in all their stations, announcing the Pow Wow three times every hour at their stations, and by putting an insert into their monthly ticket mailings. Local companies are also supporting the Pow Wow by donating services, such as Printing Spectrum and William Charles Printing, which both printed promotional materials.

While these companies will help make the Pow Wow a success, the initiative still needs support from the campus community. Volunteers are needed to help out during the weekend. If you have time, please call 632-6320 to lend a hand.

The Pow Wow begins at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, with the first Grand Entry at 6 p.m. Gates open at 10 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. All dads receive a special discount on June 20, Father's Day. To order tickets or for more information, call the Pow Wow hotline at 632-1340.

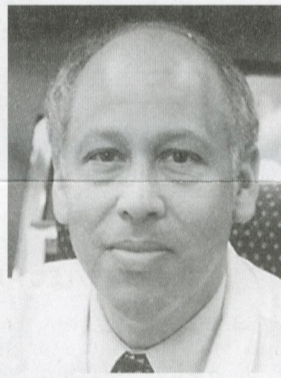


**STONY BROOK  
POW WOW**

## Radiology Welcomes Two Doctors to its Staff

**T**he Department of Radiology welcomes two new faculty members. Matthew D. Rifkin, M.D., and Paul Fisher, M.D. Dr. Rifkin has joined the staff as professor of Radiology, vice chairman of Radiology, and chief of Diagnostic Imaging. He received his medical degree from Albert Einstein College of Medicine, followed by an internship at Montefiore Hospital and Medical Center, and a residency in Radiology at Montefiore Hospital and Medical Center. He completed a fellowship in Ultrasound and Computed Tomography at Johns Hopkins Hospital and Medical School. Previous medical schools and hospital appointments include Jefferson Medical College and Thomas Jefferson University Hospital where he served as director of Radiology Research and director of the Division of Magnetic Resonance Imaging. Before coming to Stony Brook, he served as professor and chairman of the Department of Radiology at Albany Medical College and Hospital from 1991 until December 1998. Dr. Rifkin has written numerous publications and articles, is board certified in Radiology, and is president of the New York State Radiological Society.

Dr. Rifkin's clinical interests span a broad range of areas. He has focused much of his clinical research in the area of Uroradiology. Dr. Rifkin brings to SUNY at Stony Brook experience in clinical care, clinical research, and education, and is a strong addition to our faculty. He will be involved in many areas of the department and throughout the Health Sciences Center



Dr. Matthew D. Rifkin.

### Fisher Takes on Dual Role

Dr. Fisher has joined the department as an associate professor of Clinical Radiology and chief of Breast Imaging. He has a joint appointment with the Department of Surgery. Dr. Fisher received his medical degree from the Georgetown University School of Medicine in Washington, D.C., followed by an internship at Brockton Hospital, Massachusetts, and a residency at Mt. Auburn Hospital in Cambridge, Massachusetts. He served as a fellow in the Medical Informatics Program at Yale Medical School in New Haven, Connecticut. Previous hospital appointments include Yale Medical School and New Haven Hospital, and most recently Allegheny University Hospital and Allegheny University Hospital for Women where he served as Interim Chief of Service.

As the head of Breast Imaging at Yale Medical School, Dr. Fisher was a pioneer in minimally invasive breast biopsies, and has trained over 400 physicians for stereotactic biopsy techniques. He is a well-known international consultant who has designed and established breast centers in Montevideo, Uruguay and Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, as well as rendered consultations in Hue, Vietnam and for a proposed breast center in Moscow, Russia. Dr. Fisher is board certified in Radiology and is a member of the American College of Radiology, Radiologic Society of North America, Society for Computer Applications in Radiology, and Society of Breast Imaging.



Dr. Paul Fisher

## Golub Honored by Helsinki University

Dr. Lorne M. Golub, associate dean for research of the School of Dental Medicine, will receive the title of Doctor Honoris Causa at the University of Helsinki, Finland. The medical faculty of the University of Helsinki will bestow on Golub this title during the festive Academic Promotion Ceremonies at the university and the Helsinki Cathedral on Friday, May 12, 2000. The ceremonies will be part of the festivities of Helsinki as one of the cultural capitals of Europe in 2000. There will be 12 international honorary doctors; each is recognized by distinguished service for the advancement of health—scientifically, educationally, politically, or through activities at organizations.

Dr. Golub has been with Stony Brook since 1973, becoming a full professor in 1977, and becoming associate dean for research in 1993. His research and that of his colleagues in the Department of Oral Biology and Pathology at the School of Dental Medicine have helped to make major breakthroughs in the field of dental medicine. His work with tetracycline, along with Drs. Thomas McNamara and Nungavaram Ramamurthy, has led to the issuance of some 20 patents. In October 1998, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved Periostat, one of the dozens of patents Golub and the team worked on for many years. Periostat is a unique oral medication that inhibits excess collagenase in the gingiva and improves the effectiveness of periodontal care.

The last issue of  
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Spring Semester will be  
**May 12.**

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**May 3.**

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The Juilliard Quartet performs at Staller on Friday, May 14.

**ART/MUSIC/THEATRE**

**4/28, Wednesday. Chamber Music Spring Festival.** Music department students will perform chamber music from the Baroque to the present. Free. 8 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center. For information, call the Music department at 632-7330.

**4/29, Thursday. Stony Brook Jazz Ensemble.** General admission, \$6, students and senior citizens, \$3. 8 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center. For information, call 632-ARTS.

**4/30, Friday. Camerata Singers, Music For The Virtuoso Chorus.** 8 p.m. St. Peter's Church, 500 South Country Road, Bay Shore. Tickets available only at the door. General admission, \$6, students and senior citizens, \$3. For information, call the Music department at 632-7330.

**5/1, Saturday. It Takes Two: The New Rock and Soul Duets Musical!** Legendary recording duo Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr. bring their celebration of love to the Staller Center with an extravaganza that pays tribute to three decades of the world's best-loved duets. Embraced by fans worldwide, first as members of The 5th Dimension and after as solo artists, the couple have turned a career based on creative freedom and mutual respect into a rare recording gem featuring such hits as *Ain't No Mountain High Enough*, *Chain of Fools*, *Proud Mary*, and *You Don't have to be a Star*. Tickets: \$29. Main Stage, Staller Center. Call 632-ARTS for more information.

**5/1, Saturday-5/13, Thursday. Senior Show 1999.** Senior art majors will be displaying their works at the University Art Gallery in the Staller Center. This annual exhibit features paintings, sculptures, ceramics, photographs, and works on paper by members of the graduating class. The

gallery is open Tuesday through Friday from noon to 4 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, call 632-7240.

**5/4, Tuesday. University Orchestra.** The orchestra will perform works by Dvorak and Nielsen and will also feature the winner of the annual concerto competition. General admission, \$6, students and senior citizens, \$3. 8 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. For information, call 632-ARTS.

**5/7, Friday. Camerata Singers.** The singers, under the direction of Li-Fen Chen, perform Kodaly's *Missa Brevis* and motets by Palestrina. General admission, \$6, students and senior citizens, \$3. 8 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center. For information, call the Staller Center Box Office at 632-ARTS.

**5/14, Friday. Juilliard String Quartet.** The Juilliard String Quartet continues to interpret the chamber music of past and present with the same vigorous musicianship and sense of adventure that has made it a national cultural treasure. Tickets: \$29. Recital Hall, Staller Center.

**FILMS**

**4/30, Friday. Staller Center Spring '99 Film Series, Little Voice.** 7 p.m. Due to overwhelming demand on the production company, *Life is Beautiful*, the film originally scheduled, won't be shown at Staller until the summer. *Little Voice* tells the story of a shy girl who comes to life when she sings. **You've Got Mail.** 9:15 p.m. Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan star in this romantic story about two bookstore owners who fall in love over the Internet but hate each other in the real world.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**5/1, Saturday. Amish Quilt Show.** Several hundred quilts, more than a 1,000 wall hangings as well as rugs, dolls, toys, and furniture will be on sale. Free admission. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Main Arena, Sports Complex. For information, call 717-786-8487.

**5/5, Wednesday, 5/6, Thursday, and 5/14, Friday. Plant Sale.** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Stony Brook Union Lobby.

**SEMINARS/LECTURES**

**4/28, Wednesday. University Hospital and Medical Center at Stony Brook Women's Health Lecture Series: Breast-feeding and Contraception.** The Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Medicine sponsors this on-going public lecture series. Guest speaker will be Careen Mauro, CNM, MS. Free, but pre-reg-

istration is required since seating is limited. 7 p.m. Middle Country Library Cultural Center, 575 Middle Country Road, Selden. Call 585-9393, extension 4.

**4/30, Friday. Marine Sciences Research Center Oceans and Atmosphere Colloquium.** Bill Sunda of NOAA, Beaufort, looks at Iron-phytoplankton interactions in seawater. Free. 12:30 p.m., Endeavour Hall, Room 120, South Campus.

**5/7, Friday. Marine Sciences Research Center Oceans and Atmosphere Colloquium.** Ellen Pikitch of the New York Aquarium speaks on recovering Atlantic large coastal shark populations. Free. 12:30 p.m., Endeavour Hall, Room 120, South Campus.

**5/7, Friday. Astronomy Open Night.** Professor Philip Solomon discusses "Galaxies in Collision: Tails, Brudges And Mergers In The Early Universe." Weather permitting, there will be an observing session on the roof of the ESS building using the University's telescopes after the lecture. Free. 7:30 p.m., Room 001, Earth and Space Sciences Building. For information, call 632-8100.

**5/7, Friday. Coffee and Conversation, with Author and Editor Barbara Esstman.** The School of Professional Development and the University Association's Singles Group team up for this Friday night Coffee and Conversation series that's both fun and educational. The setting is salon-like, the programs informal, with plenty of coffee, cake and conversation to go around. Featured guests include distinguished authors, performers, and artists. Esstman, the author of two novels and an anthology of poems and short stories about the modern wedding published by St. Martin's Press, will talk about creating an anthology and will read from her own work. Free. 7:30 p.m., Room S102, Social and Behavioral Sciences Building. For information, call 632-7050.

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**SPORTS**

**For info call the Seawolves Hotline at 632-WOLF.**

**4/28, Wednesday. Women's Softball.** Seawolves vs. Columbia. 3 p.m., home.

**4/29, Thursday. Men's Baseball.** Seawolves vs. Hofstra. 3:30 p.m., home.

**4/30, Friday. Women's Softball.** Seawolves vs. East Stroudsburg. 3:30 p.m., home.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**5/13, Thursday-5/14, Friday. 1999 Commencement Ceremonies.** The Office of Conferences and Special Events is looking for volunteers. If you can help make Com-

mencement a stressless, memorable experience for students, please call 632-6320.

**5/21, Friday, and 5/22, Saturday. Symmetries and Reflections: A Symposium in Honor of C.N. Yang.** Stony Brook's Institute for Theoretical Physics in conjunction with the offices of the President and the Provost, sponsors this special two-day world-class symposium on the occasion of the retirement of Einstein Professor of Physics, ITP director, and Nobel Prize winner Dr. C.N. Yang. The two-day program will be capped with a banquet on Saturday night. Registration is \$100 before April 29, \$125 thereafter or \$45 for the banquet. Conference begins 8 a.m., Student Activities Center. For information, call 632-7972 or visit the Web site at <http://insti.physics.sunysb.edu/itp/symmetries-99/>.

**5/29, Saturday. Market Pro Computer Show and Sale.** Over 200 vendors of computer hardware and software will be on hand. Admission, \$7. 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sports Complex, Main Arena. For information, call 201-825-2229 or check out <http://www.marketpro.com> on the Web.

**7/22, Thursday-7/25, Sunday. The Empire State Games.** Stony Brook will be a host site for several of the sporting events for this year's Empire State Games.

**POW WOW  
JUNE 18-JUNE 20**

**6/17, Thursday. Preview, Stony Brook Pow Wow.** Included in this preview of Stony Brook's three-day Native American Pow Wow will be a demonstration of Native American dance featuring the Pequot Nation's Mystic River Drum (Willow Colbut) and the Allegany Dancers (Billy Crouse), a lecture by Ron McNeal, president of Sitting Bull College, South Dakota, the great, great, great grandson of Sitting Bull, and several other presentations during the day and evening on topics ranging from genealogy to symbolism in Native American art. Stony Brook Village Center. For information, call 632-1340.



**6/18, Friday-6/20, Sunday. First Annual Stony Brook Pow Wow.** The three-day Pow Wow will feature dance competitions, drum competitions, workshops, vendors, crafts, and entertainment. For more information or advance tickets, call 632-1340, or visit the Pow Wow Web site at [www.hsclib.sunysb.edu/powwow](http://www.hsclib.sunysb.edu/powwow).

**Mark Your Calendars!**

**Homecoming 99: The Next Wave  
September 22 - September 26**

**Homecoming Game  
Saturday, September 25**

Get ready for a new dimension in fun, community spirit, and athletics as we celebrate our first Division I Homecoming. Numerous special activities are planned in addition to the traditional parade, street festival, 5K run, and post-game parties. Save the date now so you won't miss out on any of the fun this fall!

**Summer Chorus Auditions**

**Monday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m.  
Room 0113, Music Department, Staller Center**

Auditions for the Stony Brook Summer Chorus will be held on Monday, May 17. Singers should bring a song of any style, and be prepared to sing it in the proper key for their voice. This summer chorus is part of the Stony Brook Summer Session of classes and prospective students should enroll in MUS 261, MUS 566, or CEH 573 (see the Summer Sessions catalog for more information). The summer chorus will be an "all Mozart program" and will be conducted by Timothy Mount, faculty and director of choral music in the Music department. The program runs from May 24-June 30 and meets on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. For additional information, call Timothy Mount at 632-7329.

**Summer Sessions  
Open Houses**

The Who, What, Why, and When of Summer Sessions classes

**Who?**  
Summer classes are open to transfer students, incoming freshmen, visiting students from other institutions, high school seniors, and members of the community.

**What?**  
380 undergraduate and graduate courses, day and evening classes

**Why?**

- Catch up or get ahead
- Lighten your fall course load
- Try out a subject that has always interested you
- Complete a full year of a foreign language study
- Concentrate on a required course
- Clarify your choice of a major or career

**When?**  
Session I: May 24 - July 2      Session II: July 6 - August 13

**Want to Know More**  
Come to one of our Friday open houses, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
May 7, May 21, May 28, June 4, June 11, June 18

**Where?**  
Summer Sessions Office, 102 Humanities Building  
Call 632-7790 or visit us on the Web at [www.sunysb.edu/summer](http://www.sunysb.edu/summer)