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STONY BROOK ALL TOGETHER NOW

Bynum Expands Biology Education

David Bynum, Associate Professor of Biochemistry and Cell Biology, has been named winner of the Fourth Annual Bruce Alberts Award for Outstanding Contributions to Science Education. The award, named for the President of the National Academy of Sciences, is presented by the American Society for Cell Biology.

Bynum is being honored for the range and depth of his activities in the field of science. He has been especially active in transforming biology education through hands-on research and developing programs to provide research opportunities to underrepresented students. In 1995, Bynum created the Long Island Group Advancing Science Education (LIGASE) to achieve those goals.

He has promoted student research through the establishment of Howard Hughes Medical Institute research scholarships totaling more than \$300,000 and through the design of innovative, research-based courses. In addition, he has encouraged underrepresented students to pursue science careers by developing new scholarships, research opportunities, and summer programs. More than 15,000 middle and high school students have performed experiments in the LIGASE Biotechnology Teaching Laboratory. A course he designed recently, Masters in Teaching Biology, now has 30 matriculating students. To support these efforts, Bynum has secured almost \$7 million in funding from the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health, and the Howard Hughes Medical Institute.

2001-02 Year of
Community Leadership

Are You Planning an Event?

The planning committee for this year's Year of Community Leadership initiative would like to hear about any programs, events, activities, etc. with a leadership theme that are being planned in your department, office, or area. The committee is available to help advertise your event or find creative ways to collaborate with you to make it an even greater success.

For more information, please contact Lisa Montgomery, Office of Student Affairs, at 632-6700 or Lisa.Montgomery@stonybrook.edu. To find out more about the Year of Community Leadership initiative, visit www.stonybrook.edu/events/yoel.

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Donating to Baldwin Fund Helps Researchers

A Component of the Stony Brook Cares Campaign

When you make a contribution to the Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund by way of the Stony Brook Cares campaign, you are enabling Stony Brook University Hospital researchers to take a crucial first step in the research process.

"We've made significant progress in cancer research thanks to the Carol Baldwin Breast Cancer Fund," said Assistant Physiology Professor Nicolas Nassar. Nassar uses X-ray crystallography to determine how proteins interact with each other in breast cancers. "When you apply to the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation [for funding], you have to present a feasible project and show results before they give you the money. You have to buy chemicals and equipment when starting out, and you have to justify every item you want to purchase in your budget. The Carol Baldwin Fund helped us buy those items."

Stony Brook's Department of Pathology is conducting research to clarify the clinical significance of small deposits of breast cancer cells in axillary lymph nodes. These lymph nodes are obtained from the armpit with a new technique called lymphatic mapping, which allows the surgeon to find the sentinel node, the one most likely to harbor a metastasis.

Doris Weisman, a member of the executive board for the Baldwin Fund, said, "It takes a lot of bricks to build a wall. We are working to build a wall against breast cancer." Last year, \$12,847.15 was raised for the Baldwin Fund.

A Last Call for Donations from the Campaign Chair

The Stony Brook Cares campaign is approaching its conclusion, and I hope you will join us in finishing what may be the most successful campaign on record. We need your help to meet our goal of 15-percent participation. I urge those who have yet to contribute to think about joining your fellow members of the Stony Brook community in showing compassion and a giving spirit to those in our area who need our support. **Donations can still be made through January.** If you need another pledge form, please visit www.stonybrookcares.stonybrook.edu or contact Maureen Veprek at 632-7007.

—Provost Robert McGrath

HSC and Hospital Happenings

Fundraiser Generates \$245K for LICC

The Long Island Cancer Center (LICC) at Stony Brook University has just received \$245,000 from the Fashion Footwear Charitable Foundation. The monies were raised from the "FFANY Presents Shoes on Sale" benefit that aired on the QVC network in October.

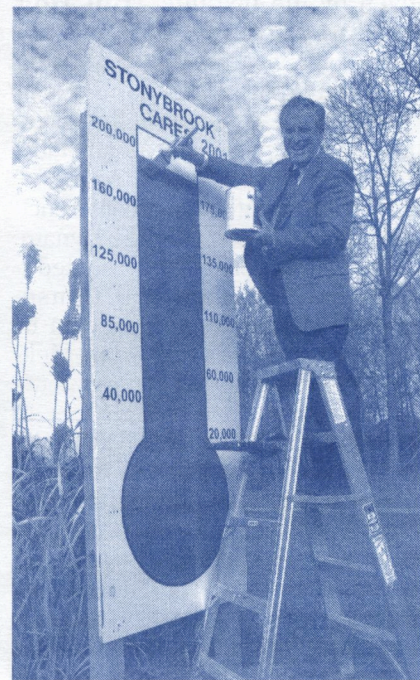
"The funds will be used to support the Long Island Cancer Center's breast cancer research and education activities," said LICC Director Dr. John Kovach. "We are grateful for the support of FFANY and QVC in recognition of Stony Brook's initiatives and achievements in cancer research, patient care, education, and community service."

This is the first year that Stony Brook's Cancer Center has received funds from the eight-year-old program. Among the other leading recipients were Johns Hopkins Oncology Center in Baltimore, Cedars-Sinai Research for Women's Cancers in Los Angeles, the University of Pennsylvania Cancer Center in Philadelphia, and the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center in Ann Arbor.

The mission of the LICC is to prevent and cure cancer through state-of-the-art multidisciplinary research and provide comprehensive cancer care and information to patients and the public. "The award will help us integrate molecular and genetic analyses of tumor tissues into ongoing epidemiological studies," Kovach said.

The Fashion Footwear Charitable Foundation supports ongoing research and education programs about breast cancer. It is supported by members of the Fashion Footwear Association of New York (FFANY). Donated shoes were sold on live television during the annual charity benefit "FFANY Presents Shoes on Sale," also sponsored by QVC.

Campaign Brings in \$221,304 and Climbing!



Provost McGrath paints the top of the Stony Brook Cares thermometer.

Schiavone Assumes Role as Assoc. Dean

The School of Medicine has been undergoing a strategic restructuring in response to the ever-present improvements in educational technology, medical advances, and societal demographics. To remain current, Dr. Frederick M. Schiavone has been appointed Associate Dean for Medical Education.

With his appointment, the Office of Graduate Medical Education and Office of Undergraduate Academic Affairs will be merged into a new entity, the Office of Medical Education. This unification will foster new educational opportunities, allocate resources to create a mutually beneficial environment, and promote the School of Medicine's efforts in clinical education at all levels. In this expanded role, Schiavone will assist Dr. Norman Edelman, Vice President of the Health Sciences Center and Dean of the School of Medicine, and Dr. Peter Williams, Vice Dean for Academic Affairs for the School of Medicine, in managing a large number of programs affecting students and residents.

Schiavone is a Clinical Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine at Stony Brook. He is the Residency Program Director and Director of Medical Education in the Department of Emergency Medicine and the Acting Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education. He is also the recipient of several faculty awards for excellence in teaching and was awarded the National Emergency Medicine Residents Association Excellence in

Photo: Medical Photography

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

GEOSCIENCES

Jiuhua Chen and **John Parise's** proposal "Experimental Tests of the Effects of Order-Disorder on Stability and Elasticity of Minerals at High Pressures and Temperatures" has been recommended for funding by the National Science Foundation. Parise has also been appointed Co-Director of Brookhaven National Lab's (BNL) new Materials Center, which will promote communication among BNL divisions and departments and universities...**Gar Harbottle** has been awarded the Pomerance Medal from the Archaeological Institute of America for contributions to archaeology. The award is one of the two highest honors given by the Institute...**Bill Holt** and **Lucy Flesch** attended the Earthscope workshop in Utah. Holt gave a talk titled "Using Surface Observations to Constrain the Directions and Magnitudes of Mantle Flow Beneath Western North America" ...**Bob Rapp** attended a conference on "Material Transfer in the Dynamic Earth" in Japan. He presented a paper on "Geochemical Consequences of Deep Subduction of Oceanic Crust: Insights from Melting Experiments at 3-16 GPa."

HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER/HOSPITAL

Christopher W. Cutler, D.D.S., Ph.D., has been selected as the Ron Clarke Lecturer for 2001 at the School of Dentistry in Queensland, Australia...**Dr. Laura Fochtmann**, Department of Psychiatry, has been appointed Medical Editor for the American Psychiatric Association Practice Guidelines...**Dr. Sharon Nachman**, Department of Pediatrics, has been elected as a member of the Council of the Society for Pediatric Research...**Richard Oringer**, D.D.S., Assistant Professor in the Department of Periodontics, is the recipient of the American Academy of Periodontology Bud and Linda Tarrson Fellowship. The \$30,000 fellowship recognizes exceptional scientific minds that demonstrate outstanding teaching ability...**Kathleen Shurpin**, Ph.D., R.N., has been awarded a John A. Hartford Fountain Grant for Geriatric Nursing. The grant is for \$90,000, to be awarded over a three-year period.

UNIVERSITY POLICE

At a special ceremony held at Flowerfield on December 2, **Richard M. Young**, University Police Chief, received a plaque in recognition of being President of the Suffolk County Chiefs of Police Association. **Douglas F. Little**, University Police Deputy Chief for Community Relations and Patrol, was elected Secretary of the Suffolk County Chiefs of Police Association. Judge Tisch, who becomes Suffolk County Sheriff in January, swore him in.

This is the last issue of *Happenings* for 2001.

The first issue of the spring semester will be January 30.

Music Library Opens To the Tune of Fanfares

Faculty, staff, students, and community members attended the opening ceremony for the new Music Library on Wednesday, November 28. The library is located in room W1530 of the Frank J. Melville Jr. Library.

Christian Filstrup, Dean and Director of Libraries, offered welcoming remarks, followed by President Kenny. The event featured performances of brass quintet fanfares written by student composers from the Department of Music: Martin Blessinger, Ellen Lindquist, Senad Mehinovic, and Matthew Whittall.

"In celebrating the opening of this new facility, we wanted to acknowledge the wonderful relationship that exists between the Music Library and the Department of Music and to convey that this library is a community resource for the highest achievements in music scholarship and performance," said Gisele Glover, Head of the Music Library. "These goals were indeed accomplished with this event."

The Music Library holds 70,000 volumes of books, journals, and scores (books and journals cover the fields of music performance, history, theory, composition, and pedagogy); 35,000 sound recordings; 2,000 reel-to-reel recordings; 12,000 microforms; 600 video recordings; and 100 CD-ROMs. Its collections cover a vast array of sectors in the field of music, and its reference section includes up-to-date dictionaries, encyclopedias, indexes, and directories. Stony Brook's library ranks among the best music libraries in the Northeast and is the most distinguished in the region in terms of size and quality.

For more information about the Music Library, either stop in for a visit or call Glover at 632-7097 or e-mail Gisele.Glover@stonybrook.edu.



Dean Filstrup (center) and Suffolk County Legislator Vivian Fisher (right) cut the ribbon at the opening ceremony as Gisele Glover (left) looks on.

2002 STALLER CENTER MOVIE EVENTS

All films are screened on the Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$5 adults; \$3 students, seniors, children. For tickets, call 632-ARTS.

2/1, Friday. *Faat-Kine*. An interesting and colorful look at modern-day Senegalese life by Ousmane Sembene, considered one of the greatest African filmmakers. In French and Wolof with English subtitles. 7:00 p.m.

2/1, Friday. *From Hell*. The Hughes brothers have created a lively and horrifying vision of late 19th-century Whitechapel, where Johnny Depp stars as the clairvoyant London detective tracking Jack the Ripper. 9:30 p.m.

2/14, Thursday. *Serendipity*. Jonathan Trager (John Cusack) and Sara Thomas (Kate Beckinsale) met and the magic was right. Many years later, having lost each other that first night, neither can shake the need to give fate one last chance to reunite them. 7:00 p.m.

2/15, Friday. *Chunhyang*. An intensely romantic drama about Mongyong, son of the Governor of Namwon, who falls in love with Chunhyang. A visual masterpiece by Kwan-taek Im. In Korean with English subtitles. 7:00 p.m.

2/22, Friday. *My First Mister*. A rebellious teenage girl and a conservative middle-age man working in a men's clothing store are both long-term prisoners of their own highly developed emotional armor. Directed by first-time filmmaker Christine Lahti. 8:00 p.m.

3/15, Friday. *The Man Who Wasn't There*. Presented in black and white, the Coen brothers (Fargo) have never been better than in this exciting new comedy/thriller. Starring Billy Bob Thornton, Frances McDormand, James Gandolfini. 8:00 p.m.

3/22, Friday. *Monsters, Inc.* If you liked *Toy Story*, you've got to see this movie from Disney and Pixar animation studios. These monsters think they're ugly and mean, but they're actually funny and cute. Featuring the voices of Billy Crystal, John Goodman, James Coburn, and Steve Buscemi. 7:00 p.m.

3/22, Friday. *Oceans 11*. In Steven Soderberg's remake of the 1960s classic, gangster Danny Ocean (George Clooney) rounds up a gang to stage heists of three major Las Vegas casinos. Also starring Brad Pitt, Matt Damon, Andy Garcia, and Julia Roberts. 9:00 p.m.

4/12, Friday. *Amelie*. Amelie's life changes course when she anonymously returns an old box of childhood treasures to its rightful owner and watches how the owner's life is transformed. In French with English subtitles. 7:00 p.m.

4/12, Friday. *Lord of the Rings, The Fellowship of the Ring*. The movie adaptation of Tolkien's great novel stars Elijah Wood, Ian McKellan, Liv Tyler, Viggo Mortensen, and Cate Blanchett. 9:30 p.m.

5/3, Friday. *Ali*. The life story of heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali (Will Smith) from his early days as Cassius Clay to his rise in politics and sports. Also starring Jamie Foxx, Jon Voight, and Mario Van Peebles. 7:00 p.m.

5/3, Friday. *Va Savoir*. A charming movie about Camille, a young French actress who finds love and success in Italy. In French with English subtitles. 9:00 p.m.

Parking Permit Renewal Underway

On January 31, 2002, all faculty/staff parking permits will expire. Parking Services is in the process of mailing more than 7,000 new permit validators. These will be mailed to home addresses provided that there are no outstanding summonses, the permit holder is a current employee as indicated by the Human Resources database, and the home address provided by Human Resources is current. The renewal process is free.

If the above three criteria are met, you will receive a holographic security sticker to be placed on top of your current permit expiration date. It is very important that the current permit be kept.

On or about December 15, Parking Services sent out a monthly ticket billing to those with outstanding balances. If you received a billing, it must be paid at the Bursar's Office, 261 Administration. You can also mail payments to P.O. Box 619, Stony Brook, NY 11790 or contact Parking Services at 632-AUTO so that the renewal will not be delayed. Please visit www.parking.sunysb.edu for more information.

EAP and ODAA Now More Accessible

An extension office of the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and the Office of Diversity and Affirmative Action (ODAA) has opened in room 5-624 of University Hospital. This new office now makes it easier for Hospital and Health Sciences Center employees to access the services that EAP and ODAA provide from their West Campus locations. The ODAA also serves the student population, and the EAP office serves graduate student members of the Graduate Student Employees Union (GSEU).

The office staffs will be available at the new location Monday to Friday on an alternating day schedule and will have flexible hours that enable them to serve day, evening, and night-shift employees. You can stop by the office at any time, but scheduling an appointment in advance is recommended. EAP can be reached at 632-6085, or call 632-6280 for ODAA.

"I encourage all employees to take advantage of this valuable addition to the services provided on East Campus," said George Meyer, Assistant Vice President for Presidential Initiatives and Deputy to the President.

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