

# HAPPENINGS

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## STONY BROOK ALL TOGETHER NOW

### Fourth Annual Wellness Fest

March 25 to 27

This year's Employee Wellness Fest will take place from Monday, March 25, through Wednesday, March 27. The three-day event kicks off on Monday with a Wellness Walk. On Monday evening at 5:00 p.m., a lecture titled "Quick Methods of Stress Reduction" will be given by Judith Grant, RN, ANPc, CH, from Pathways to Health, in the Health Sciences Center, Level 2, Lecture Hall 1. Evening- and night-shift hospital employees will be visited by committee members staffing the "Wellness Cart."

On Tuesday, lectures and experiential workshops are scheduled from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Health Sciences Center and at Tech Park. The Fest will conclude on Wednesday with the traditional vendor fair featuring local businesses, demonstrations, product samples, health screenings, refreshments, raffle prizes, and mini sessions of massage, reflexology, and tai chi.

The Employee Wellness Committee encourages all faculty, staff, and students to take part in this annual event, now in its fourth year. For more information, call 444-6400.

### "Nexus" Exhibit Celebrates Women

March 5 to 22

The Stony Brook Union Art Gallery will present "Nexus," an exhibition celebrating Women's History Month. Four undergraduate art students—Michelle Carollo, Esther Marie Chagaris, Victoria Elfstrom-Bender, and Cristina Soler—have joined together to present their work.

The artists decided to name the exhibit "Nexus" as a symbol of the feminine connection they share with one another. Although they have very different art styles, the group is connected through spirituality, ideas, and womanhood. "My work is concentrated on the exploration of the female figure. Every intense stroke is an emotional explosion within the closed context of the canvas," said Carollo.

"Nexus" will be on display from Tuesday, March 5, through Friday, March 22. A reception for the artists will be held on Wednesday, March 6, from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The art gallery is located in the upper level of the Stony Brook Union. Gallery hours are Monday to Friday, 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information, call 632-6820.

### Cancer Experts to Convene on Campus

Breast Cancer Conference: Wednesday, March 6

"A Conversation About Breast Cancer," an important conference expected to attract more than 100 scientists, scholars, health care professionals, students, and community activists, will take place on Wednesday, March 6, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Student Activities Center auditorium. The conference, sponsored by Stony Brook's Programs in Women's Studies, will focus on historical, social, and conceptual issues related to the diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer.

The conference will feature presentations by three leading figures in cancer study: Dr. John Kovach, Director of the Long Island Cancer Center at Stony Brook University; Dr. Barron Lerner, A.B. Gold Professor of Medicine and Public Health at Columbia University; and Susan Sherwin, F.S.R.C., Munro Professor of Philosophy at Dalhousie University.

"A Conversation About Breast Cancer" will facilitate dialogue between medical personnel who approach disease as a problem in biological science and faculty in the social sciences and humanities who think about ethical issues and questions of public policy. The event will feature interactive audience participation and conclude with a round table discussion.

Dr. Lerner—a prominent physician, historian, and author of a major study of breast cancer in 20th Century America—will begin with a presentation on "Power, Gender, and Pizzazz: The Early Years of Breast Cancer Activism." At 11:00 a.m., Sherwin, a leader in feminist bioethics and author of *No Longer Patient*, will speak on "Personalizing the Political: Feminist, Medical, Scientific, and Commercial Interests in Breast Cancer."

At 2:00 p.m., Dr. Kovach will discuss "Discovering the Causes of Breast Cancer: Opportunities and Barriers." The conference is free and open to the general public, but pre-registration is required. Please call 632-9176.

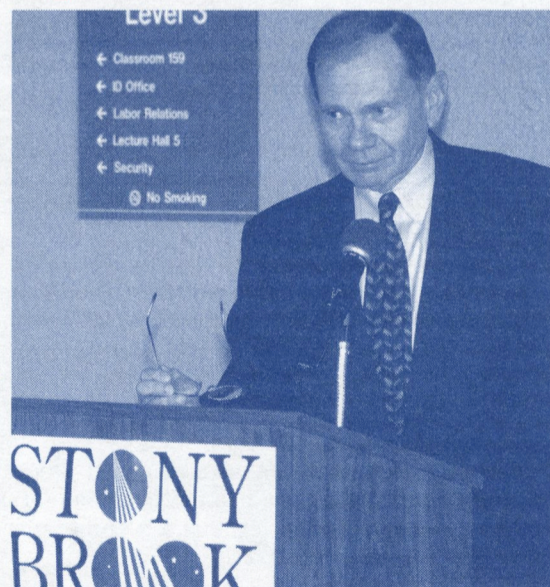
### Geriatric Education Center Opens

The opening of the Long Island Geriatric Education Center (LIGEC) took place on February 4 with a ceremony at the Health Sciences Center, making Stony Brook University one of 45 institutions nationwide to house such a program. The Bureau of Health Professions of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, bestowed a five-year federal grant to establish the Center.

During its first year, LIGEC will provide for the development of innovative educational programs for faculty, residents, and students of the five Health Sciences Schools. The Center will eventually provide education outreach to professionals in the fields of gerontology and geriatrics throughout Long Island and will invite faculty at affiliated hospitals and clinics to participate as LIGEC associates.

Dr. Norman Edelman, Dean of the School of Medicine and Vice President of the Health Sciences Center, opened the ceremony. "We're going to introduce you to high touch as opposed to high technology, a broad program designed to educate the educators and the people who are involved in one of the more important things we must do as a society—to care for our aging population."

Associates will receive 40 hours of training in a combination of new educational techniques, an interdisciplinary core curriculum, and discipline-specific geriatric courses, and earn a certificate and continuing medical and professional education credit upon completion of the programs. These programs are designed for dentists, nurses, nurse



Dr. Edelman at the LIGEC opening ceremony.

### New TFCU Branch To Open in SAC

Monday, March 4

On Monday, March 4, a new branch of the Teacher's Federal Credit Union (TFCU) is scheduled to open in the lower level of the Student Activities Center where the North Fork Bank was formerly located. The ATM just outside the branch office and the one near the main entrance of the Student Activities Center on the first floor will now be TFCU ATMs. There are already two TFCU ATMs on campus: one is in the Administration building lobby, the other is in the Health Sciences Center, the site of the other on-campus branch office.

Branch hours will be Monday to Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

TFCU offers personal financial services for Stony Brook faculty, staff, students, and their families. There are 11 branch locations in Suffolk County serving more than 115,000 members. For more information, call the Teacher's Federal Credit Union Information Center at (631) 698-7000 or visit [www.teachersfcu.org](http://www.teachersfcu.org).

### WUSB-FM's Spring Radiothon

March 12 to April 12

WUSB 90.1 FM, the radio voice of Stony Brook, will broadcast a varied selection of special programs from Tuesday, March 12, through Friday, April 12. The broadcast is part of Radiothon 2002, the annual spring fundraising event for the 24-hour-a-day non-commercial station.

Blending a diverse mix of entertainment and information programs—ranging from rock, classical, jazz, hip-hop, folk, and world music to news, talk, and public affairs shows—WUSB will offer premiums at a variety of pledge support levels. The premiums, which include gift certificates, tickets, books, compact discs, and more, have been donated by businesses across Long Island.

Funds raised during Radiothon support WUSB operations and programming. Pledges for Radiothon 2002 can be made by check or money order, payable to WUSB/SBF, and mailed to the station at the Stony Brook Union (zip is 3263). E-mail pledges can be made at [wusb@sunysb.edu](mailto:wusb@sunysb.edu). For an up-to-date schedule of Radiothon programs or to volunteer for the fundraising event, leave a message on WUSB's listener line at 632-6498. WUSB-FM can also be heard over the Internet at [www.wusb.org](http://www.wusb.org) and [www.wusb.fm](http://www.wusb.fm).

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## Summer Programs

### Biotechnology Summer Camp

July 8-August 2

\$1,895 (room/board/lab fees)

Maximum of 24 students

This residential program provides a unique opportunity for high school students interested in doing research in the biological sciences. Students will learn the molecular biology and biotechnology laboratory techniques for manipulating and analyzing DNA and then complete an independent research project that will be presented in a poster session at the end of the program. The deadline for applications is April 1.

### Science Exploration Camps

7th graders: July 22-August 2

8th/9th graders: August 5-16

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., \$350

24 students per session

These academic programs complement students' science curriculum at school and challenge them to think, research, and experiment. Each program is laboratory-based but involves reading, computer searching, writing, and group work. Classes are filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

The 7th grade program focuses on developing laboratory skills. The 8th grade program reflects some of the material covered in Life Science in middle school. Students have more opportunities to follow written instructions and reason through problems. The 9th grade program concentrates on biology and developing research skills. Students work in groups to explore botany, microbiology, genetics, and molecular biology. Problem-solving skills are developed, and students test hypotheses and report conclusions to the group.

For applications or more information on the above programs, call Judy Nimmo at 632-9750 or e-mail [Judy.Nimmo@stonybrook.edu](mailto:Judy.Nimmo@stonybrook.edu).

### Camp Sea Wolf

This environmental education summer camp, co-sponsored by the Center for Excellence and Innovation in Education and the Marine Sciences Research Center, will be held at Peconic Dunes in Southold. It is a week-long, hands-on, field-oriented environmental/conservation/outdoor education program for boys and girls ages 11 to 15. The program runs Sunday through Saturday, with start dates on July 14, July 21, and July 28. The cost for this residential camp is \$435 per session. For more information or a registration form, call Chris McCormick at 632-7697 or e-mail [Chris.Mccormick@stonybrook.edu](mailto:Chris.Mccormick@stonybrook.edu).

## Geriatric Center

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practitioners, occupational therapists, physicians, physician assistants, physical therapists, and social workers.

Dr. Suzanne Fields, who serves as Director of the Long Island Geriatric Education Center, said, "Our students will be the future health professionals on Long Island. They need to know about aging issues."

Keynote speaker Dr. Patricia Pine, Director of the New York State Office for the Aging, addressed the inadequacies of the current health care system. She cautioned that health care providers must change their approach in conjunction with the increasing number of aging baby boomers, who because of their familiarization with health issues, will change the face of health care.

# SBU Sends Five to College Bowl Regionals

On Saturday, February 16, some of Stony Brook's brightest minds boarded a van bound for the New Jersey Institute of Technology to test their wits against schools such as the University of Delaware, Rutgers University, and Villanova University at the College Bowl Regional competition. In all, seven schools went head to head, using a round-robin format. The Stony Brook team placed fifth.

The University sent the five highest scorers from an annual campus tournament—held here on January 28 and 29—to compete in areas as unrelated as literature, science, and pop culture. Sixteen teams competed in the Student Activities Center auditorium. The competition was taped and plays twice daily on SBU TV.

Representing Stony Brook were senior psychology/biology major Chateen Carbonara, junior computer science and philosophy major Renee DiResta; freshman general studies major Sarah Goshman; experimental psychology major Calion Lockridge, a graduate student; and junior history major Adam Zimmerman.

After holding their own campus tournaments, colleges may elect to participate in the regionals by paying a fee, but must then qualify and win the regional tournament to compete in the nationals in April. Moderators ask students general-interest questions and answers are evaluated by judges.

Stony Brook has participated in the College Bowl regionals during the past two decades, according to Director for Student Activities Robbie Fung. Now he and Assistant Director Maria Terrana are pushing hard for the formation of a College Bowl club, hoping to make a serious commitment to this popular form of academic calisthenics. The number of participants roughly doubled from last year.

Thirty University faculty and staff members assisted Terrana. "I could not have done this without these volunteers," she said.

Campus tournaments consist of two seven-minute halves; regional tournaments are composed of two eight-minute halves. Questions are either 10-point toss-ups or 20- to 30-point bonuses, for which contestants can get partial credit.

Terrana recommended that students prepare by reviewing a variety of subjects. "Next year we'll try to do the campus tournament in November so they have more time to prepare for the regionals, which are always held in February," she said.

To check out sample questions or learn more about the college bowl, log on to [www.collegebowl.com](http://www.collegebowl.com).

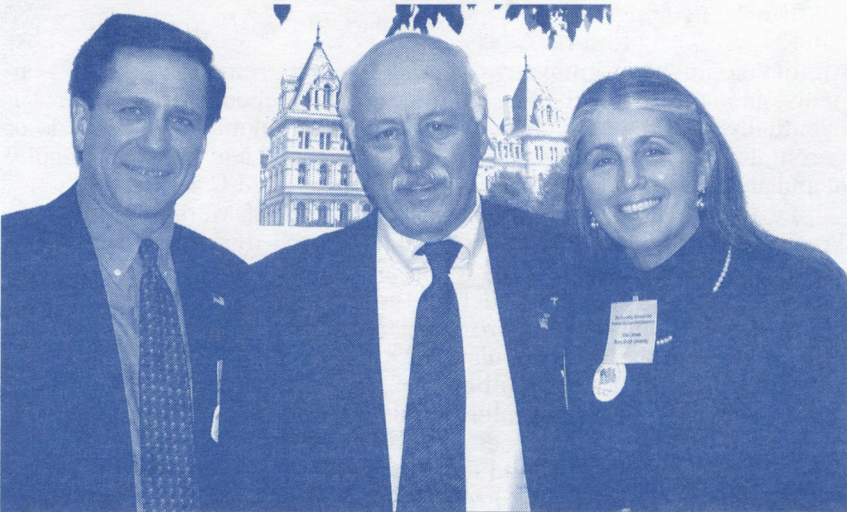
# Lamens Represents SUNY at State Forum

Gigi Lamens, Dean of Admissions and Enrollment Services, represented SUNY at the 2002 New York State Legislative Forum in Albany along with 100 members of a consortium representing more than 3,500 elementary, secondary, and higher education counselors; academic and financial aid professionals; and admissions professionals in New York State. As a member of the steering committee, she has helped coordinate five of these annual events, with this year's being the most attended to date.

The consortium's main goal is to ensure that there are certified school counselors for students in kindergarten through college, to support a state budget that will guarantee funding for student aid programs while expanding access for the neediest students, and to continue to support affirmative action programs that promote diversity and academic success for all.

The conference provides a forum in which speakers and workshops address these crucial issues. In the aftermath of the September 11 tragedy and the reduction in funding for Tuition Assistance Program and Educational Opportunity Programs, advocacy for excellence and funding in education has never been so critical.

Guest speakers at the forum included *New York Post* columnist Fredric Dicker and New York State Commissioner of Education Richard Mills. Breakfast with Senators Kenneth LaValle and John Kuhl Jr. and Assemblymen Edward Sullivan, Steven Sanders, and Felix Ortiz provided a forum for expressing views, and members were invited to lobby at the legislative offices of their representatives.



Left to right: Ben Baglio, Director of Guidance, Patchogue-Medford Schools; Senator Kenneth LaValle; and Gigi Lamens, Dean of Admissions and Enrollment Services

## A Report from the Career Center

### Economic/Job Market Trends

There is clear evidence of a problematic economy, falling NASDAQ, and lackluster job market, with corporate layoffs, plant closings, and a significant drop in hiring. The National Association of Colleges and Employers' (NACE) 2002 Job Outlook Survey reports that employers are cutting the numbers of new graduates they expect to hire this year by 20 percent, and they are reducing campus visits. Our employer participation numbers confirm NACE data.

The Career Center is reaching out to employers to retain their campus involvement. From February 1 to 15, the M.A./M.S./Ph.D. Virtual Job Fair was held in partnership with Association of American Universities (AAU) members. We are including corporate involvement in skill development workshops such as Resume Writing and Interviewing Skills and alumni participation in programs such as the Travelers Career Paths Series in April. We are doing more to reach out to alumni and encourage them to recruit from Stony Brook when opportunities arise.

### What Faculty and Staff Can Do

Help us help our students! Inform your corporate contacts about our services and encourage them to post positions with us and to use our no-cost On-Campus Recruitment program. For more information, please call 632-6810 or visit [www.stonybrook.edu/career](http://www.stonybrook.edu/career).

Students will naturally turn to you for advice. Remind them that a proactive approach is best. To increase their chances of securing their ideal job or internship significantly, their strategy should involve more than sending a resume for a posted job. Market research, networking, and experiential learning are as important as a perfect portfolio and glowing letters of recommendation.

Although the number of new hires is declining, organizations will always need college graduates to fill entry-level positions. The earlier students start, the better their chance for a successful outcome. Encourage them to stop by the Career Center today.

—Marianna Savoca, Director

## "Polaroid Stories"

### A Play by Naomi Iizuka

### Opens Thursday, February 28

The old are whispering their secret tales, while the young are listening. With the help of Ovid's ancient stories, Naomi Iizuka has created a world of homebound kids—kids who live to disappear. Drugs, fear, love, music, sex, and the desire to just simply leave the darkness of the labyrinth forces each one of them to make a decision about life or death.

The play "Polaroid Stories" opens on Thursday, February 28, at 8:00 p.m. in Theatre II at the Staller Center. Other performances are at 8:00 p.m. on March 1, 2, 7, 8, and 9 and 2:00 p.m. matinees on Sunday, March 3 and 10. Due to its adult content, "Polaroid Stories" is recommended for ages 14 and older.

Tickets are \$10 for general admission; \$8 for faculty and staff; and \$6 for students and seniors. Call the Staller Center Box Office at 632-ARTS.

# 2001-02 Year of Community Leadership

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

**Barbara Coughlin Byrne** has been appointed Assistant Dean for Finance at the Graduate School. She has been at Brookhaven National Laboratory since 1995, where she served as Operations Manager, Life Sciences Directorate and Budget Administrator of the Medical Department . . . **Lou Channon-Deutsch**, Professor of Hispanic Languages and Literature, has been awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities grant for 2002. The grant will allow her to complete a manuscript titled *A History of the Imaginary Spanish Gypsy* . . . **Joanna Harris** and **Donna Molloy**, from Disability Support Services (DSS), have been invited to give a national presentation in Washington D.C. this July. The presentation, "Two Programs for Transition: Jump Start to College and Check in Early and Check Us Out," will highlight two successful programs offered by DSS at Stony Brook. Joining them will be colleagues from Long Island College Counselors for Students with Disabilities. The conference is sponsored by the Association for Higher Education and Disabilities . . . **Ann-Marie Scheidt**, Director of Economic Development, was featured in the February issue of the *HIA Reporter*, the official publication of the 800-member Hauppauge Industrial Association. She is the chair of HIA's Business Development Committee and also Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of the Community Development Corporation of Long Island and a trustee of the Brookhaven Industrial Development Agency. At Stony Brook, Scheidt makes important connections between the academic and research resources of the University and the business community.



## Help Build the Habitat House

Help break the cycle of poverty for a deserving family. Join the campus community and Habitat for Humanity to work together to make a North Bellport family's dream of home ownership come true.

It costs roughly \$60,000 in materials and services to build a house on Long Island. Stony Brook has committed to raising \$40,000; the balance is funded through Habitat for Humanity. Every department on campus and a variety of student groups are making plans to raise funds for their designated part of the house.

Support the Stony Brook House fundraising events and help us reach our goal. Contact your department coordinator for more details, or visit the Year of Community Leadership Web page at [www.stonybrook.edu/events/yocl](http://www.stonybrook.edu/events/yocl).

## Stony Brook Show is A Tribute to Heroes

In the aftermath of the World Trade Center disaster, President Kenny asked University staff, faculty, and students to join her in demonstrating strength in diversity. The Latin American Student Organization (LASO) at Stony Brook responded to the challenge by sponsoring a benefit on February 10 to pay tribute to those who lost their lives on September 11 and to honor the community. Proceeds and additional fundraising totaling \$33,000 was donated to Stony Brook Responds, a relief fund established by the Stony Brook Foundation to assist victims of the tragedy.

LASO collaborated with other Stony Brook organizations and groups in the outside community to present "United We Stand" at the Student Activities Center auditorium. The theatre department performed a solo ballet-based dance piece with music from Beethoven, directed by Allison Russell. The 70-member Stony Brook Gospel Choir, led by Pastor Carlton Spuill, performed, as well as Essence of Praise, a newly founded organization affiliated with the choir. Stony Brook senior Jacqueline Rodriguez sang Mariah Carey's anthem, "Hero." Capoeira Club, a Brazilian martial arts group, presented martial arts set to bongo drumming. The Diversity School of Dance from Central Islip School District had several performances including a tap ensemble, ballet, and singing and sign language to "We Are the World."

The tribute was sponsored by the Office of Diversity and Affirmative Action, Office of the Dean of Students, and the Year of Community Leadership Committee.



The Diversity School of Dance performs to "New York State of Mind."

## WIN \$100

### Enter the "What Is Leadership?" Banner Contest

In conjunction with the 2001-2002 Year of Community Leadership, the University is sponsoring the "What is Leadership?" Banner Contest. Many of you have had the opportunity to serve in positions of leadership or to observe leaders whom you admire. Based on your own experiences and observations, what is your definition of leadership?

To enter, visit [www.stonybrook.edu/events/yocl](http://www.stonybrook.edu/events/yocl) and become eligible to win one of ten \$100 prizes. Winning entries will be displayed on banners throughout the Academic Mall. One entry per person. All Stony Brook faculty, staff, and students are eligible. The deadline for all entries is Friday, March 15, 2002. For more information, contact Cheryl Chambers, Dean of Students Office, at 632-9968.

## Calendar of Events

More details on these events are available on the Year of Community Leadership Web site at [www.stonybrook.edu/events/yocl](http://www.stonybrook.edu/events/yocl).

- 3/15, Friday: "What Is Leadership?" Banner Contest** See details in box above
- 3/20, Wednesday: Blueprint for Gender Equity in Education Conference** Student Activities Center, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- April: Media Leadership Recognition Awards**
- 4/10, Wednesday: Discussion with Author Christopher Phillips on *Socrates Café, A Fresh Taste of Philosophy*** Student Activities Center auditorium
- 4/15, Monday: Undergraduate Recognition Awards** Student Activities Center, 7:00 p.m.
- 4/17, Wednesday: Best-selling Author Susan Isaacs**
- 4/23, Tuesday: Annual Campus Life Awards** Student Activities Center auditorium, 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
- 4/25, Thursday and 4/27, Saturday: Women's Leadership Symposium** Student Activities Center
- 4/26, Friday, Wisdom: Rules for Living in the Universe** Sponsored by the Protestant Campus Ministry in honor of Earth Day
- 4/29, Monday: Ray of Light—YOCL Leadership Recognition Event** Student Activities Center Auditorium, 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
- 5/1, Wednesday and 5/2 Thursday: URECA Celebration** Student Activities Center, all day
- 5/1, Wednesday: Fountain Festival** Academic Mall, 11:00 a.m.

Note: Locations not indicated will be announced in future issues.

## NY Islanders Help Sunrise Fund

The Sunrise Fund at Stony Brook has received \$8,550 from the auction of five autographed Olympic hockey jerseys donated by the New York Islanders. The money will go toward research and programs focusing on pediatric cancer at the University and at Stony Brook University Hospital.

"We are thrilled by the generosity of the Islanders in providing these jerseys and conducting the auction at their games," said Dr. Robert Parker, Director of Pediatric Hematology and Oncology at Stony Brook University Hospital. "We also appreciate the response of the Islanders fans whose contributions to the Sunrise Fund will help us make a difference in the lives of our patients and in trying to unlock the causes of cancer in children."

The Islanders donated Olympic jerseys from a variety of nations and had them autographed by the team's stars, who are representing those nations in the Winter Olympics currently underway in Salt Lake City. The auction was conducted at six home games over the past month.

The Team USA jersey was signed by former Islander Ken Morrow, a member of the 1980 Olympic Hockey Team that won the Gold Medal at Lake Placid; the Team Canada jersey was signed by Michael Peca; the Team Russia jersey was autographed by Alexei Yashin and Oleg Kvasha; the Czech Republic jersey was signed by Roman Hamrlík; and the Team Sweden jersey was autographed by Kenny Jonsson.

## "Faces of Religion"

Tuesday, March 5

Did you know there are Caucasian American Sikhs, Latino Muslims, and female Zen Buddhist priests? On Tuesday, March 5, at 7:00 p.m. in the Student Activities Center auditorium, learn about diversity in world religions and how they are experienced in society. A discussion will follow the presentations and refreshments will be served.

For more information, contact Sam Quiah, Office of Diversity and Affirmative Action, at 632-6280 or Jonnel Doris, Office of the Vice President for Administration, at 632-6353.

## PRESIDENT'S LECTURE SERIES

Save the Date!

**Christopher Phillips**

Author of *Socrates Café, A Fresh Taste of Philosophy*

**Wednesday, April 10**

and

Best-selling Author

**Susan Isaacs**

**Wednesday, April 17**

## Italian Studies Announces Award

The Caracciolo di Marano Award encourages Stony Brook students to complete research projects, write essays, or use the media and arts to call society's attention to vital subjects associated with Italian history and culture. Every year, two submissions will be selected as winners. For 2002, the Caracciolo di Marano-Ducarne family has contributed \$500 for each award.

Applicants can be of any nationality and can submit essays or projects in either Italian or English. A maximum of three participants may work on a submission. Applicants are encouraged to focus on one of four areas of Italian culture and history: local and national traditions in Italian civilization, politics and social systems in Italy, culture and science, or the environment.

The deadline for submissions is Friday, April 19, and winners will be notified by Friday, May 10. For additional information and guidelines, call the Center for Italian Studies at 632-7444.

## Alumni Law Day

Thursday, February 28

Stony Brook Alumni Law Day will take place on Thursday, February 28, at the Student Activities Center. The event begins at 5:00 p.m. and is open to all Stony Brook students.

Get a feel for what practicing law is really like as Stony Brook alumni who are working in the field lead panel discussions. This is a great opportunity for career advancement and networking. A complimentary reception will follow.

For more information, call the Alumni Office at 632-6330. Law Day is sponsored by Cartier, Hogan, Bernstein, and Auerbach, P.C.

# 2002 P.A.W.S. Campaign Underway

The 2002 P.A.W.S. campaign kicked off on Friday, January 25, in its fifth year of raising funds for athletic scholarships. This year's goal is \$700,000. Volunteers, coaches, staff, and student-athletes were on hand for the Kick-Off event, which was held in the Sports Complex Atrium and featured a video presentation and volunteer recognition.

The campaign runs until March 5 and donations will be accepted until June 1. All staff, faculty, alumni, and friends are invited to make a donation and become members of the Seawolves Club. Members receive various benefits such as priority points for football, basketball, and lacrosse season tickets, discounts on Seawolves merchandise, and invitations to special events.

Gift forms, Seawolves Club, and P.A.W.S. campaign information are available on the Seawolves Web site at [www.goseawolves.org](http://www.goseawolves.org). Follow the link to "Giving to Stony Brook/Seawolves Club" for photos, news updates, and more. You can also contact Jessica Biegaj in the Seawolves Club office at 632-4576 or e-mail her at [Jessica.Biegaj@stonybrook.edu](mailto:Jessica.Biegaj@stonybrook.edu).



Student-athletes, coaches, volunteers, and Seawolves Club members attended the P.A.W.S. campaign Kick-Off, marking the beginning of the five-week fundraiser.



Stony Brook has been recognized for having a "Superior Campus Environment" by the World Wildlife Federation. President Kenny and Recycling and Resource Management Director Michael Youdelman try out one of 50 new "recycled recyclers"—made of 100 percent recycled plastic—located throughout campus.

## Discount Offered on Laser Surgery

Stony Brook Ophthalmology has established a laser refractive surgery (LASIK) service headed by Dr. Marc Dinowitz. LASIK can reduce your dependence on glasses or contact lenses. Lasers can be used to treat many forms of near-sightedness, far-sightedness, and astigmatism.

A special discount rate is being offered to all Stony Brook faculty, staff, students, and their immediate family members. For more information or to schedule a free consultation, call 444-4090.

### Summer Camp at Stony Brook

#### Registration Dates

Indoor Sports Complex Lobby

Sunday, March 3, 12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 16, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 6, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

For more information, call 632-4550.

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## CALENDAR February 27 - March 25

### ART/MUSIC/THEATRE

**Now to 3/9, Saturday. MFA Show 2002.** Work by five graduate students of fine arts are on display at the University Art Gallery in the Staller Center. For more information, call 632-7240. Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.; Saturday, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Admission is free.

**2/28, Thursday. Magicians and the Magic of Music.** This one-hour children's concert features music from the *Magic Flute*, *Nutcracker Suite*, and *Mother Goose Suite*. Call 632-ARTS for tickets. 7:30 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: Students and seniors, \$4; others, \$8.

**2/28, 3/1, 3/2, 3/7, 3/9. Polaroid Stories.** Naomi Iizuka's play is a blend of classical mythology and real life stories told by street kids. Call 632-7300 for more information. 8:00 p.m. Theatre 2, Staller Center. Tickets: Adults, \$10; Seniors and students, \$6.

**3/2, Saturday. Regina Carter: Jazz Violin.** Joined by her quintet, Carter integrates elements of jazz, funk, African, Brazilian, and soul music. For tickets call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$30.

**3/5, Tuesday to 3/22, Friday. Nexus.** Four undergraduate art students exhibit their work in celebration of Women's History Month. For more information, call 632-6822. SB Union Art Gallery. Weekdays, 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

**3/8, Friday. Leipzig String Quartet.** The quartet's more than 30 recordings, spanning the years from Mozart to Cage, have been met with international acclaim. For tickets call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$26.

**3/9, Saturday. Women Folk II: Janis Ian.** Ian, nominated for Grammys every decade from 1960-90, continues to write and sing modern American popular songs. For tickets call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$26.

**3/10, Sunday. Paper Bag Players.** The Players combine short plays, rousing

songs, freewheeling dances, mime, painting, and drawing on stage. For children ages four to ten and their families. For tickets call 632-ARTS. 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$9.

**3/16, Saturday. Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra.** Guest conductor Leon Fleisher leads the orchestra with music from Brahms and Prokofiev. For tickets call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: Students and seniors, \$8; others, \$16.

**3/17, Sunday. Baroque Dance Spectacular.** This window into the Versailles of Louis XIV will feature music and dance in period costume from the court of royal France. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Admission is free.

**3/17, Sunday. Moscow Festival Ballet: Raymonda.** Celebrate Russia's great dance tradition with composer Alexander Glazunov's production about the days of chivalry and medieval legend. For tickets call 632-ARTS. 7:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$34.

**3/21, Thursday. Concert of Music by Women Composers.** This annual concert features an exciting array of works by historical and current women composers. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Admission is free.

**3/24, Sunday. National Acrobats of China.** These skillful performers often use objects of daily life such as chairs, tables, poles, ladders, plates, and jars as stage properties. For tickets call 632-ARTS. 7:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$26.

### SEMINARS/LECTURES

**3/1, Friday. Astronomy Open Night.** Professor Michal Simon from the Department of Physics and Astronomy will discuss "Weighing Young Stars." 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

**3/7, Thursday. Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar.** Edward Freeman from the University of Rochester will discuss "Neural Control of Eye and Head Movements: What Can Head Movements

Teach Us About Oculomotor Control?" 12:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

**3/8, Friday. The Worlds of Physics.** Professor John Hobbs from the Department of Physics and Astronomy will discuss "What's the Matter? A Story of the Smallest Objects in the Universe." 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

**3/12, Tuesday. Latino America Today Series.** Nadia Marin Molina from The Workplace Project will discuss "New Latino Migrants on Long Island: The Struggle for Civil and Labor Rights." For more information, call 632-7517. 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. LACS Conference Room, N-320, Social and Behavioral Sciences.

**3/13, Wednesday. Faculty Colloquium Lecture.** Tracey Walters from the Department of Africana Studies will discuss "Black Literary Roots in Babylon: An Excavation of the Black British Canon." For more information, call 632-7765. 4:30 p.m. Humanities Institute, E-4341 Library.

**3/15, Friday. The Living World.** Professor Douglas J. Futuyma from the Department of Ecology and Evolution will discuss "Why We Need to Teach Evolution." 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

**3/19, Tuesday and 3/20, Wednesday. Distinguished Guest Lecturer.** Herb Blau from the University of Washington will discuss "Virtually Yours: Presence, Liveness, Lessness." 3/19: Lecture at 4:30 p.m.; 3/20: Seminar at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call 632-7765. Humanities Institute, E-4341 Library.

**3/19, Tuesday. Center for Italian Studies Lecture.** Professor Gaetano Cipolla from St. John's University will discuss "Luigi Pirandello and the Poetics of Labyrinth." For more information, call 632-7444. 6:00 p.m. Room N-4006, Library.

**3/25, Monday. Is There Life After 40?** Dr. Lauri E. Budnick, Assistant Professor of Clinical Obstetrics and Gynecology, discusses "Other Systems Affected by Lowering Estrogen." For more information, call (631) 282-9768. 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Sachem Public Library.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

**3/5, Tuesday. Drumming Circle.** Bring your drum and experience the healing power of the drumming circle. For more information, call Protestant Campus Ministry at 632-6563. 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Room 249, SB Union.

**3/5, 3/12, 3/19, Tuesdays. Lenten Communion Service.** This service is being held by Protestant Campus Ministry. For more information, call 632-6563. 9:30 p.m. Room 276, SB Union.

**3/7, Thursday. Sexual Harassment Prevention Training.** For information or to register, call Denise Gross, Training and Organizational Development, at 632-4501. 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. HSC.

**3/10, Sunday. Neapolitanita.** A program of poetry readings and other presentations on the culture of Naples. For more information, call the Center for Italian Studies at 632-7444. 2:30 p.m. Alliance Room, Library.

**3/11, Monday. Doctoral Degree Defense.** Dan Yin, Mechanical Engineering Doctoral Student, will defend "Studies of the Geometry of Motion and Manipulation in Robotic Systems." 2:30 p.m. Room 250, Light Engineering.

**3/12 and 3/19, Tuesdays. Meditation Time.** Gather in a simple 45-minute ritual followed by an optional time to learn about meditation. For more information, call Protestant Campus Ministry at 632-6563. 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Room 249, SB Union.

**3/20, Wednesday. Pottery and Plant Sale.** For more information, call 632-6820. 10:00 a.m. Stony Brook Union lobby.

**3/20, Wednesday. Latin American Arts/Crossing the Disciplines.** An innovative group of indigenous filmmakers from Bolivia will discuss and show some of their recent and highly acclaimed documentary videos. For more information, call 632-7517. 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. LACS Conference Room, N-320, Social and Behavioral Sciences.