

We Will Never Forget

Remarks by President Shirley Strum Kenny

at the Memorial Commemoration in the Student Activities Center Plaza on September 11, 2002



The Memorial Commemoration was organized by Rabbi Joseph Topek and the Interfaith Campus Ministries. At the ceremony, Daniel Tuite and Teena Francis (pictured above right) from Catholic Campus Ministry lit the candle for families of victims. The candle for lost loved ones was lit by Joy Werner and Robert Ayzin representing Judaism, the candle for rescue and recovery workers was lit by Humaira Syed and Haroon Naderi representing the Muslim religion, the candle for peace in our world was lit by Jason Jenkins and Joanne Savarese representing Protestantism, and Kriti Agrawal and Sidharth Haldea, representing Hinduism, lit the candle for the future of humanity.

It is a year later, and I don't find it any easier to deal with the shock and pain of September 11. I have read words, too many words; I have witnessed the struggles of philosophers, politicians, professors to make meaning of a senselessly malevolent act, but I have not found answers. Perhaps we will never be able to extract meaning from such an abomination, a destructive impulse so cruel, so willing to destroy innocent lives, so full of hatred for people the killers didn't even know.

The attack on the World Trade Center and Washington, the loss of the passengers and crew on Flight 93, killed not only Americans but people from many nations. It was an American tragedy, but it was a world tragedy too.

It threatened our basic beliefs that our country should be a haven for all. And then it reinforced our commitment to be the kind of nation we've always believed in, a society that is strengthened by openness and diversity. Surely New York City is a model of interconnectedness, and Stony Brook is one of the most diverse campuses in the world. The evil of 9/11 must only reinforce our belief in this extraordinarily open society.

When the World Trade Center was decimated, we lost corporate leaders, firefighters and policemen, secretaries, government officials, dishwashers, and young corporate workers. There was no difference in their fate, no distinction between classes or races or nationalities. They died together. Their families all lost fathers and mothers and children and husbands and wives. This devastatingly sad connectedness in death made vivid the connectedness of our lives as well. Our nation works not because of the CEOs or the Cabinet members or the movie stars but because all of us can live in the same country, walk the same streets, and have the same aspirations for our children, because the child of an immigrant dishwasher can be the CEO of tomorrow.

We experience that connectedness every day at Stony Brook University. Sometimes we may forget how important it is. But that is what we are about—faculty, students, and staff, learning from one another and teaching one another too.

Perhaps one of these days our memories of 9/11 will dim, take on the sepia tones of Pearl Harbor. But even Pearl Harbor was a military attack; the irrational destruction of working people on September 11 cuts far more jaggedly into our search for a meaning we can live with. All the words, all the ceremonies, all the memorials have not brought us to closure.

So we go on living, searching, seeking solace. If we have learned anything, it is that we must stand together, must protect and respect everybody in our community, must make sure that Stony Brook embodies the American principles of equality and openness.

There is no question that our nation is not perfect, that our system is flawed. But there is no question that that grand, bold experiment called the United States of America is still the best political system in the world, and that as we strive to live up to our principles, we create a strength and unity that can never be defeated by senseless hatred.

Parent Office Has 1st Anniversary

New Students aren't the only ones with questions about Stony Brook. Parents of students have concerns, too, and now they have a place they can go for help—the Parent Office. With more than 3,000 students starting their education at Stony Brook each year, the University saw the need to provide parents of all undergraduate students with a resource of their own. The Parent Office, created in 2001, has been in operation for more than a year and has been well received by parents, students, and faculty.

"At a large university such as ours, parents don't always know where to turn for help or know how they can get more involved with the campus community. Now they have a resource where they can go to get answers and find out how they can help their students achieve academic success. As their advocate, I hope to foster their interaction with the campus, answer their questions, or find the people who can," said Christine Kollar, Parent Office Coordinator.

During the office's first year, Kollar initiated a Parent Office Web site with links to campus resources plus valuable information for parents (www.stonybrook.edu/ugadmissions/parent) and a parent newsletter, *The Parent Connection*, which is sent out twice each semester and includes campus happenings, department highlights, and upcoming events. Parents may sign up to receive monthly e-mail updates about important campus events, deadlines, and resources. The office is also coordinating the 2002 Parents Day program, scheduled this year for Saturday, November 9. Kollar's long-term plans include creating a parents council, which would help her learn how parents would like to get involved with the University and find other ways for them to become part of the community, such as volunteering at events on campus.

The Parent Office is located in Room 118 in the Administration Building. Kollar can be reached at 632-1736 or via e-mail at Christine.Kollar@stonybrook.edu.

Fashion Show Benefits Sunrise Fund

Children and young adults who are recovering from cancer were the stars of a fashion show to benefit the Sunrise Fund at Stony Brook to raise funds for research and oncology services. "Little Miracles: For Children With Cancer" featured children as young as a year old modeling the latest fashions in children's clothing. The event took place on September 19 at Villa Lombardi's in Holbrook.

The annual event is designed to provide parents and children an opportunity to celebrate their recoveries and to be recognized for their extraordinary courage. Stony Brook is the home of the Long Island Cancer Center, which conducts cutting-edge cancer research and provides advanced clinical services to children and adults.

"The success of these children in battling cancer is a tribute to their determination and the strong support they receive from their parents and families, as well as to the outstanding care they receive at Stony Brook University Hospital," said Dr. Robert Parker, Director of Pediatric and Hematology and Oncology. "The children are the stars of this event in more ways than one."

Hispanic Heritage Month

Wednesday, September 25

Opening Ceremony 12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m., Student Activities Center Plaza (weather permitting). "Unification Through Education/Unificación Através de Educación" features guest speaker Myrka Gonzalez, Stony Brook alumna, who will discuss her aspirations and views on the Latino population on Long Island. Learn about Latino-based student organizations and enjoy entertainment and food. All are invited.

Art Exhibit Opening Reception 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., LACS Gallery (SBS N-320). "Fruitscapes": Introducing Constanza Mallol, a talented Chilean painter who contemplates the pleasure of apples, pears, and other fruits. Refreshments will be served.

Tuesday, October 1 to Saturday, October 19

Nine Visions—Clay Sculptures Mexico—U.S. 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Student Activities Center Art Gallery. View works of Mexican and U.S. artists and experience cultural influences on art (see ad on page 4).

Tuesday, October 1

Hanging con la Familia 9:00 p.m.-10:15 p.m., Sanger College Main Lounge. Enjoy a performance about what it takes to put together a Hispanic wedding followed by a discussion on Latin stereotypes and how they relate to the skit. There will be food from various Latin countries.

Thursday, October 3

International Food Fest 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Student Activities Center Multipurpose Room. "A Taste of Diversity" features culinary delights from around the world. Enjoy arts and crafts, musical and dance performances, and more.

Wednesday, October 9

Peace Garden Dedication 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m., Tabler Peace Garden. New peace poles will be added to the Memorial Peace Garden outside Tabler Quad. Four new languages will be added, including Spanish.

"It's a Man Thing" 12:40 p.m.-2:00 p.m., Melville Library, N-3062. This Lunchtime Faculty/Student Colloquium will provide a forum for undergraduate students interested in various aspects of Latin American literature, history, culture, and politics to get acquainted with the work of new visiting faculty member Polit Duenas, who will give a lively lecture followed by discussion and questions.

Sunday, October 13

Bilingual Liturgy/Mass 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Stony Brook Union Ballroom. Music and readings will be in Spanish and English. Refreshments will be served.

Monday, October 21

Hispanic Culture Theme Week—Historic Mexico 9:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m., Toscanini College. Come to a quiz night, with the University Scholars presenting a challenging program on the historical achievements of people in Mexico and Central America from the Spanish landings to modern times.

Jeopardy 9:30 p.m.-11:30 p.m., O'Neil Main Lounge. Play Hispanic Heritage Jeopardy followed by an evening of dancing to Latin Music.

Tuesday, October 22

Hispanic Culture Theme Week—Carnival Night 9:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m., Toscanini College. The University Scholars are putting on a Carnival Night with music, food, and demonstrations of authentic South American dancing. All are invited.

Wednesday, October 23

Hispanic Heritage Theme Week—Spanish History and Language 9:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m., Toscanini College. Several of the University Scholars will debate about the history of Spain, focusing on the evolution of the Spanish language in Spain and in the New World.

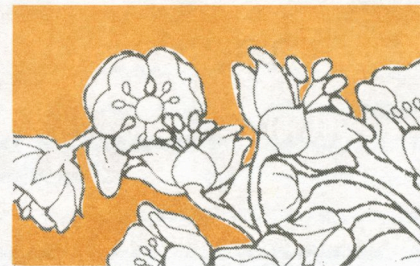
Latin Explosion 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., H-Quad Dining Facility. Enjoy cultural activities, a variety of ethnic foods, cultural information and history, and Latin music and dancing lessons.

Wednesday, October 30

Hispanic Heritage Month Closing Ceremony—13th Annual Awards Luncheon 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m., Student Activities Center Multipurpose Room. Come celebrate the achievements and contributions of faculty, staff, and students. All are invited. Tickets: \$15, faculty/staff; \$7, students. For more information, call 632-6280.

Friday, November 1

Special Event 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., LACS Conference Room (SBS N-320), "Día del los Muertos," celebrates the Mexican holiday, a tradition that honors the deceased with a real "ofrenda" (home altar). Refreshments will be served.



Fall Pride Patrol is Almost Here

Wednesday, October 9

The University's Eighth Annual Fall Pride Patrol will take place on Wednesday, October 9. In a departure from the practice of the past few years, the emphasis this fall will be on Pride Patrol one-day activities rather than ongoing maintenance of the Green Team Gardens. Green Teams are encouraged to sign up this year to work in locations on campus that have been identified as needing special attention. Teams also are encouraged to continue to care for their own gardens until October 31 and then begin again on April 1 with the weekly care of their own gardens.

Pride Patrol occurs twice a year, in the spring and fall, and is dedicated to beautifying the campus grounds. Everyone is invited to volunteer for a few hours during the normal workday. Participants can select one of two time slots—10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.—and should sign up under the tent in the Fine Arts Loop on October 9.

Volunteers are also invited to attend the Apple Festival, sponsored by the Faculty Student Association and Campus Dining Services, and scheduled to take place at 3:30 p.m. in the lobby of the Staller Center.

To sign up to participate in this fall's Pride Patrol and help beautify our surroundings, please contact the Office of Conferences and Special Events at 632-6320 or visit the office in Room 440 of the Administration Building.

Prof. Sridhar Chairs New Department

A new department has been created in the College of Arts and Sciences, the Department of Asian and Asian-American Studies. S.N. Sridhar, Professor of Linguistics and Director of the Center for India Studies, has been appointed the inaugural chair of the new department.

Professor Sridhar has been a member of the Stony Brook faculty since 1980. His research interests in linguistics center on descriptive linguistics of Kannada and Indian English, linguistic theory, sociolinguistics, bilingualism, and multilingualism. He has published several books in these areas including *Cognition in Sentence Production: A Cross-Linguistic Study*, *Kannada*, and *Indina Kannada: Racane mattu Balake*. Since 1995, Professor Sridhar has served as Chair of the Faculty Committee for Asian Studies, and in 1997 he organized the Center for India Studies. Related to these areas of interest, Professor Sridhar co-edited a volume titled *Ananya: A Portrait of India*.

Many Stony Brook faculty members contributed to the establishment of the department, especially those who served on the planning committee chaired by Professor Mark Schneider and the search committee chaired by Professor David Hicks.

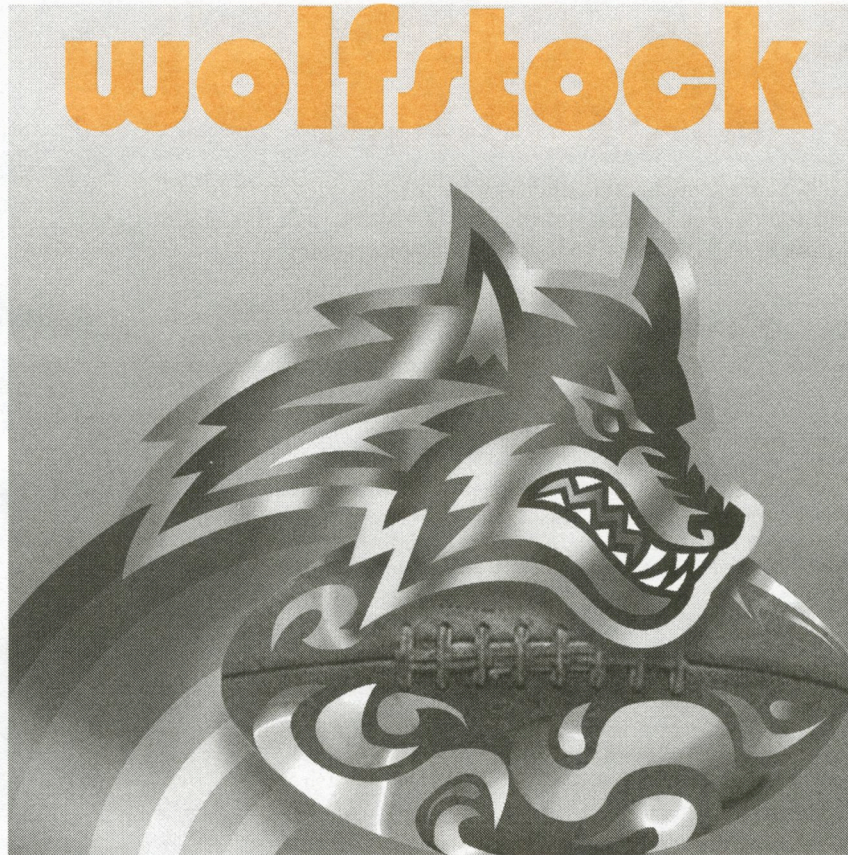


Stony Brook's Camerata Singers were invited to be part of the Third San Juan Choral Festival this summer in San Juan, Argentina, which takes place every two years. The group of 18 (scattered among the photo above) joined choirs from Chile, Brazil, Buenos Aires, and Tucuman in Argentina. They performed by themselves and as part of the group pictured. The Singers, along with the group's conductor Timothy Mount, were warmly received in South America and sang to standing room only crowds. The group received support for the trip from the Office of the President, Office of the Provost, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, the Graduate School, and the Department of Music. The Singers also performed in Buenos Aires prior to the Festival.

Homecoming October 19, 2002

1:00 P.M. PRE-GAME FESTIVITIES

- ★ Alumni Food Tent featuring tastes from some of Long Island's best restaurants, wineries, and breweries.
- ★ Kids Zone with a touch tank, petting zoo, face- and pumpkin-painting, magician, and lots more.
- ★ Hospitality Tent with demonstrations, displays, and reunion tables from various campus groups, departments, and colleges.
- ★ Art Garden showcasing art from students and alumni, and a special display of decorated life-size wolves.
- ★ Live music from The Mystic, plus other special performances.



A Day of Food, Football, and Fun

4:00 P.M. GAME TIME

- ★ Grand Opening celebration of the new Stony Brook Athletic Stadium with official ribbon-cutting dedication.
- ★ Homecoming Division I Football Game: Stony Brook Seawolves vs. Sacred Heart University Pioneers.
- ★ Gala Halftime Show: \$100,000 Field Goal Kick sponsored by Coca-Cola® and King Kullen®.
- ★ Presentation of Homecoming King and Queen.

7:00 P.M. SPECTACULAR FIREWORKS DISPLAY

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Dr. Levon Asryan has been awarded the highest Russian scientific prize—the State Prize of the Russian Federation—for his work on quantum dot lasers. Dr. Asryan, whose permanent position is at the Ioffe Physico-Technical Institute in St. Petersburg, Russia, has been at Stony Brook since September 2000. He is a research professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering and a research scientist in the Sensor CAT. At Stony Brook he continues his work on semiconductor lasers; his work has resulted in several major publications, including a U.S. patent disclosing a novel temperature-insensitive quantum-dot laser . . . Cellist **Colin Carr** has joined the Department of Music. His residency will be celebrated at a free recital on Wednesday, September 25, at 8:00 p.m. at the Staller Center's Recital Hall. Carr has performed as a soloist and a chamber musician throughout the world and has won many of the major prizes in cello and chamber music performance. As an educator, he is committed to passing on the craft of musical performance to future generations of musicians.

PRESIDENT'S LECTURE SERIES

First President's Lecture
of the 2002-2003 Academic Year

Rajmohan Gandhi
Grandson of Mohatma Gandhi

**"Diversity and
Peacemaking:
Is Gandhi Relevant
in 2002?"**

Wednesday, October 23

★
Campus Life Time
12:40 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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SAC II, Ballroom B

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The University Diversity Fellows
will lead a discussion
following the lecture.

Symposium in Beijing Honors C. N. Yang

On the occasion of Chen Ning Yang's 80th birthday, four Stony Brook physicists journeyed to Beijing to attend an International Symposium on Frontiers in Science held in his honor.

Provost Robert McGrath; George Sterman, Director of the Institute for Theoretical Physics; Janos Kirz, former chair of the Department of Physics; and Peter Paul, former chair and currently Acting Director of Brookhaven National Laboratory, were among 40 scientists—including 13 Nobel Prize winners—who visited Tsinghua University in June to celebrate the achievements of the Nobel Laureate and Albert Einstein Professor of Physics here at Stony Brook from 1966 to 1999.

Yang, who was director of the Institute for Theoretical Physics during his tenure, was instrumental in bringing eminent scholars to Stony Brook from all over the world and for opening doors to shared scientific exchange with China. His efforts and deep dedication to the University in its formative years were invaluable to its growth into a major research institution.

The acclaimed scientist is the recipient of many prestigious prizes and honorary degrees. Reverence for Yang in his home province of Taiwan is evident even in grade school classrooms: timelines hung over the blackboards proclaim 1957, the year Yang and Lee were awarded the Nobel Prize in physics, an important date in history.

Following the Symposium, the four Stony Brook attendees along with other friends and colleagues of C. N. Yang were invited to tour China, including Beijing, the Great Wall, the ancient capital of Xi'an, and Shanghai.

The University is in the process of establishing the C. N. Yang Chair of Physics and Astronomy to honor the important contributions of this renowned scientist.

First Undergraduate College Opens

About 300 freshmen residents were welcomed as members of the inaugural class of the Undergraduate College of Information and Technology Studies (ITS) on the Saturday evening before classes started. An additional 75 commuting students were ushered into the program the next day.

Addressing the students at the evening meeting in Benedict Cafeteria—next door to Mendelsohn Quad, home of the first of six undergraduate colleges for freshman—were Mark Aronoff, Deputy Provost and Professor of Linguistics; Imin Kao, Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering and Faculty Director of ITS; Mary Beth Powers, Academic Advisor for the College; and Jason Hofstein, Faculty Director of the Living/Learning Center in Science and Engineering.

"We have created ITS because we want you to succeed," Dr. Kao told the students, many of whom wore T-shirts proclaiming "ITS All Good!" Commenting on his vision of the future of the first class of ITS graduates, he said, "Any one of you might appear on the cover of *Time* magazine in the year 2022. You are already making history."

By fall 2004, six thematic colleges will be in place to serve all incoming commuter and resident freshmen. Each one will be based in a quad and will offer a comprehensive program under the coordinated leadership of a faculty director, undergraduate college advisors, academic advisors, commuter student staff liaisons, and residence hall directors. The goal of the colleges is to enhance the first-year experience by providing students with a small community within a large campus. Other benefits include special seminars and activities, greater interaction with faculty, collaborative learning, easy access to university resources, and individualized advising.

Light the Night Walk

Friday, October 4

The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's Light the Night Walk comes to Stony Brook University on Friday, October 4, at 5:00 p.m. Join others on campus in a walk to celebrate and commemorate lives touched by cancer, and enjoy food, music, and entertainment afterward.

This nationwide event takes place in conjunction with September's Leukemia and Lymphoma Awareness Month. Participants walk two to three miles in communities across the country carrying illuminated balloons—red for supporters and white for cancer survivors.

For more information or to register, call 877-LTN-WALK or go to www.lightthenight.org. Registration forms are also available on campus from the Office of Conferences and Special Events, 440 Administration, 632-6320.

PROVOST'S LECTURE SERIES

**"Do Babies Matter:
The Effect of Family
Formation on the Life-Long
Careers of Academic Men
and Women"**



Photo by Peg Skorpinski

Mary Ann Mason

Dean of the Graduate Division,
University of California, Berkeley

Thursday, October 10

4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Room 137, Harriman Hall

Women's Studies Colloquium

Thursday, October 3

"Cultural Sites of Critical Insight" addresses the philosophy, social theory, and aesthetics of the cultural productions of Native and African American women. The colloquium will take place Thursday, October 3, in the Women's Studies Colloquium Center (formerly the Peace Center), Room 118, Old Chemistry Building.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., followed by a morning session and a keynote address, "Aesthetics and American Indian Women's Art," by Anne Waters, Research Associate from the State University of New York at Binghamton. Afternoon sessions follow the lunch break, ending with a reception from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

For more information and to register, call 632-9176. Admission is free.

Science Open Nights

The departments of Physics and Astronomy, Geosciences, and Ecology and Evolution are hosting a series of Science Open Nights. All take place at 7:30 p.m. in Room 001 of the Earth and Space Sciences Building.

Geology Open Night

Professor Steven Goodbred Jr., Marine Sciences Research Center, discusses "A Land of Superlatives—The Ganges-Brahmaputra Delta System of Bangladesh." Friday, September 27.

Astronomy Open Night

Professor James Lattimer, Department of Physics and Astronomy, discusses "Globular Clusters: Cosmic Singles Bars." Friday, October 4.

The Worlds of Physics

Professor Chang Kee Jung, Department of Physics and Astronomy, discusses "Uncovering the Mysterious World of Neutrinos: Recent Discoveries and Their Implications." Friday, October 11.

The Living World

Professor Paul Bingham, Department of Biochemistry and Cell Biology, discusses "Are All the Unique Properties of Humans Really the Products of Evolution." Friday, October 18.

Staller Center Fall Film Schedule

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for students, seniors, and children ages 12 and under. For tickets and more information, call the Staller Center Box Office at 632-ARTS or visit www.stallercenter.com.

Friday, September 27

The Cat's Meow

Director Peter Bogdanovich tells the story of a mysterious Hollywood death that took place on media mogul William Randolph Hearst's private yacht in November of 1924. The roaring 20's are brought to life in this intriguing mystery. Starring Edward Herrmann, Kirsten Dunst, Eddie Izzard, and Cary Elwes. 7:00 p.m.

Insomnia

Three Oscar winners create cinematic sparks in this noir thriller from acclaimed director Christopher Nolan (*Memento*). Detective Will Dormer (Al Pacino) arrives in Alaska to investigate the murder of a young girl, but soon finds himself in a deadly game of cat and mouse with the charismatic killer (Robin Williams) over a crime of his own. *Insomnia* has been heralded as the best crime drama of the year. 9:30 p.m.

Friday, October 11

Baran

A love story set in present-day Iran, *Baran* is a unique and touching film that tells the story of a young Iranian worker and an Afghani illegal immigrant. It is a very real film that is both powerful and honest in its portrayal of love and of the harsh Middle Eastern environment in which the story is set. 7:00 p.m.

Star Wars: Episode II—Attack of the Clones

In the second chapter of the ongoing saga, Anakin Skywalker is now an arrogant young Jedi under the tutelage of Obi Wan Kenobi. George Lucas' latest contains some of the most fantastic effects put to screen in a story to rival the classic trilogy. Starring Hayden Christensen, Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, and Samuel L. Jackson. 9:15 p.m.

Friday, October 18

Nine Queens

Two small-time con artists meet and pair up to sell a forged set of extremely rare and valuable stamps, the nine queens. Tricky negotiations and suspicious characters soon arise, and with the stakes mounting, it becomes increasingly difficult to figure out who is conning whom (in Spanish with English subtitles). 7:00 p.m.

Men in Black II

The *Men in Black* are back in this much-anticipated sequel to director Barry Sonnenfeld's 1997 blockbuster. Agent Jay (Will Smith) and Agent Kay (Tommy Lee Jones) return as members of the top-secret organization established to monitor and police alien activity on earth. 9:30 p.m.

Friday, October 25

My Wife is an Actress

This wry comedy about male jealousy and insecurity stars Charlotte Gainsbourg as the actress-wife of a Parisian sportswriter. Fed up with his petty jealousies, she finds herself drawn to her handsome co-star on the set of her new movie (in French with English subtitles). 7:00 p.m.

Minority Report

In the future, crime can be prevented before it happens courtesy of a special future viewing technology. Detective John Anderson (Tom Cruise) is one of the officers in this unique crime unit of the police department. Directed by Steven Spielberg. 9:00 p.m.

Friday, November 22

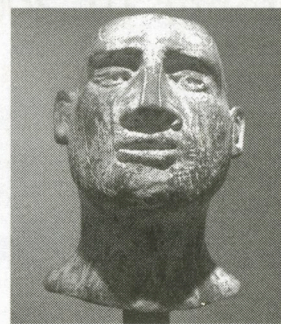
Happy Times

This charming comedy tells the story of a blind, headstrong young woman and the one kind person in her life: a penniless stranger with an idealistic scheme focusing around refurbishing an abandoned bus to rent out by the hour called the "Happy Times Motel," to service young couples starved for privacy (in Mandarin with English subtitles). 7:00 p.m.

Road to Perdition

Director Sam Mendes (*American Beauty*) teams up with Tom Hanks, Paul Newman, Jennifer Jason Leigh, and Jude Law for this sprawling gangster epic. Hanks portrays hit man Michael O'Sullivan, the right hand man of Al Capone. 9:15 p.m.

Nine Visions—Clay Sculpture Mexico—U.S.



"Constantine," Marco Vargas, 2001

Curated by Graciela Karlofel

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, this exhibit features the work of Leonor Anaya, Margarita Chazaro, Javier del Cueto, Marco Lopez Prado, Jeffrey Mongrain, Allison Newsome, Rina Peleg, Maribel Portela, and Marco Vargas.

Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information, call 632-9392.

October 1 to October 19
SAC Art Gallery

Opening Reception:
Thursday, October 10

HAPPENINGS

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CALENDAR September 26 to October 30

ART/MUSIC/THEATRE

10/1, Tuesday to 10/19, Saturday. **Clay Sculpture Exhibit.** "Nine Visions—Clay Sculpture Mexico—U.S." features a wide variety of styles through six Mexican artists and three U.S. artists. Opening reception: October 10, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. For more information, call 632-9392. SAC Gallery hours: Tuesday-Friday, 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

10/4, Friday. **Fine Art Auction.** The University Hospital Auxiliary's art auction also includes sports memorabilia, estate jewelry, and sculpture. For more information or tickets, call 444-2699. Preview: 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. before auction. Old Field Club. Tickets: \$25.

10/4, Friday. **New York Philomusica.** The chamber ensemble will be joined by pianist Robert Levin for a program that includes *Piano Trio Op. 1, No. 2 in G Major*; *String Quintet in C Major, Op. 29*, and *Piano Concerto No. 4 in G Major, Op. 58*. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$32.

10/5, Saturday. **Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra.** Celebrated conductor, composer, and author Gunther Schuller is guest conductor for the first concert of the season featuring the music of Berg, Brahms, and Strauss. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$16 general, \$8 students and seniors.

10/6, Sunday. **Coppelia: Shanghai Ballet.** *Coppelia*, a story ballet in three acts,

is part comedy, part metaphor for the eternal frustration of the artist. The Shanghai Ballet is one of China's leading dance companies. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 7:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$32.

10/12, Saturday. **Jane Monheit, Jazz Vocalist.** The Long Island native makes her Staller debut as she brings something quite natural, warm, swinging, and refreshing to jazz. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$32.

10/13, Sunday. **Baroque Sundays at Three.** Empire Viols presents an afternoon of music for violas da gamba featuring composers from the Italian Renaissance, early German Baroque, and a trio sonata of Bach. 3:00 p.m., Staller Center. Admission is free.

10/18, Friday. **Adult Chamber Music.** For more information, call the Department of Music at 632-7330. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Admission is free.

10/20, Sunday. **Ben Vereen.** The quintessential live performer returns to Staller for a fabulous night of song and dance. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$36.

10/30, Wednesday. **CCP Composers.** The Contemporary Chamber Players present new works by Stony Brook composers. For more information, call the Department of Music at 632-7330. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Admission is free.

SEMINARS/LECTURES

9/26, Thursday. **Biochemistry and Cell Biology Seminar.** Dr. Patricia Reggio from Kennesaw State University discusses "Molecular Determinants for Production of Inverse Agonism at the Cannabinoid CB1 Receptor." 4:00 p.m., Room 038, Life Sciences.

9/27, Friday. **Geology Open Night.** Professor Steven L. Goodbred Jr., Marine Sciences Research Center, discusses "A Land of Superlatives—The Ganges-Brahmaputra Delta System of Bangladesh." 7:30 p.m., Room 001, ESS Building.

9/30, Monday. **Obstetrics and Gynecology Seminar.** David Reavis, M.D., from the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology will discuss "Journey Through Menopause: To a New Beginning." To pre-register, call 924-6400. 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Longwood Public Library, Middle Island.

10/3, Thursday and 10/4, Friday. **Anesthesiology Lectures.** Sheila Barnett, M.D., Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology at Harvard Medical School discusses anesthesia in elderly patients. 10/3, 5:00 p.m., Lecture Hall 4, Level 2, HSC. 10/4, 7:00 a.m., Lecture Hall 5, Level 3, HSC.

10/4, Friday to 10/6, Sunday. **Center for Italian Studies Annual Symposium.** Call Jo Fusco at 632-7444 for a detailed program for "Images and Models of Catholicism in Italian Americana: Academy and Society." Various times and locations.

10/9, Wednesday. **Humanities Institute Lecture.** Maiko Kawabata from the Department of Music discusses "The Concerto That Wasn't." 4:30 p.m., E-4340 Melville Library.

10/15, Tuesday. **Humanities Institute Focus on September 11.** As part of the Consortium of Humanities Institutes and Centers, there will be events honoring the National Celebration of the Humanities Day. Schedule TBA. E-4340 Melville Library.

10/23, Wednesday. **Humanities Institute Lecture.** Laurence Simmons, Film, Television, and Media Studies Department, University of Auckland, New Zealand, lectures on a topic TBA. 4:30 p.m., E-4340 Melville Library.

10/28, Monday. **Obstetrics and Gynecology Seminar.** Antonia Pinney, M.D., from the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology will discuss "Heart Disease and Osteoporosis." To pre-register, call 924-6400. 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Longwood Public Library, Middle Island.

SPECIAL EVENTS

9/29, Sunday. **Habitat for Humanity Walk-A-Thon.** Help make a family's dream of home ownership come true. Sign up at www.walkonhome.com, call (212) 807-6478, or pick up a registration form at various campus locations. All money raised goes to Habitat for Humanity. Heckscher State Park.