

# HAPPENINGS

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STONY  
BROOK  
A GOLDEN YEAR

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## SBU Receives First Rockefeller Grant

Stony Brook's Latin American and Caribbean Studies Center (LACS) has received the Rockefeller Foundation Residential Fellowship in the Humanities—the first ever Rockefeller Foundation grant for the University. Stony Brook is one of nine institutions in North America and South America chosen as residency sites for the humanities fellowships.

The LACS program will bring in a total of eight visiting post-doctoral fellows over the next four years to participate in an interdisciplinary project titled "Durable Inequalities in Latin American Histories, Societies, and Cultures." The project will address problems concerning the resilience of social systems as well as the construction of race, gender, and ethnicity. Fellows will come from fields such as history, sociology, literature, cultural and media studies, politics, economics, and education. The Foundation will provide up to \$325,000 to fund the project.

"This represents a tremendous boost, not only for LACS but also for humanities at Stony Brook and the University as a whole," said President Kenny. "Our vision is to bring in a wave of committed Latin American scholars to the University across a variety of disciplines."

"This prestigious and generous Rockefeller award to Stony Brook LACS represents what many of us here have known for a while: The global excellence of Stony Brook's advanced interdisciplinary scholarship on Latin America," said Professor Paul Gootenberg, Director of LACS.

## PROVOST'S LECTURE SERIES

**"Do Babies Matter?  
The Effect of Family  
Formation on the Lifelong  
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., Harriman Hall, Room 137

## Convocation Celebrates 40 Years on Campus

"We've come a long way," said President Shirley Strum Kenny as she began her State of the University Address on September 19. The annual convocation kicked off an afternoon of celebrating—not just the great accomplishments of the past year but of the past 40 years the University has been in Stony Brook. In her presentation, President Kenny detailed the University's many accomplishments, which include the election into the Association of American Universities; the move to Division I athletics; Stony Brook's dedication to improving undergraduate education; the addition of Phase II to the Student Activities Center; the renovation of all 26 residence halls and the building of the new apartment complex; the opening of a new athletic stadium; the creation of the Department of Asian and Asian American Studies; and the beautification of the campus. President Kenny also compared life at the University now with life 40 years ago, detailing just how dramatically things have changed. The complete text and slides of the President's presentation will soon be available in print and distributed to all faculty and staff.

Following the address and the introduction of new faculty, President Kenny invited everyone to join her for the Salute to Stony Brook. For more details on the Salute, please turn to pages two and three.



President Kenny

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Homecoming  
October 19  
A day of  
food,  
football,  
and fun

### 1:00 P.M. PRE-GAME FESTIVITIES

- ★ Liberty Mutual Alumni Food Tent featuring tastes from some of Long Island's best restaurants, wineries, and breweries.
- ★ Fleet 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.
- ★ Live music from The Mystic, plus other special performances.

### 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

## CELEBRATE WITH US!



CHARLES B. WANG  
CENTER

Faculty, staff, and students  
are invited to the  
Grand Opening of the

**CHARLES B. WANG  
CENTER**

*Celebrating  
Asian & American  
Cultures*

**Tuesday, October 22**

Opening events start at  
3:00 p.m.

**Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony  
and  
Open House Reception  
to follow**

The Open House will feature  
refreshments, entertainment,  
and self-guided tours.

## PRESIDENT'S LECTURE SERIES

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

**Rajmohan Gandhi**

Grandson of Mahatma Gandhi

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

**Wednesday, October 23**

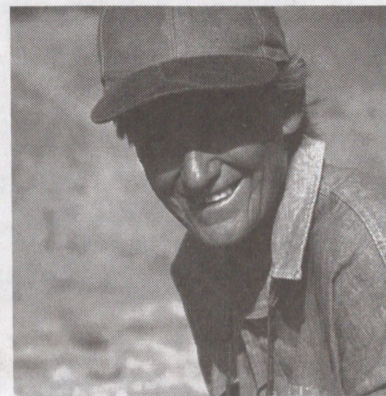
★  
Campus Life Time  
12:40 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

★  
SAC II, Ballroom B

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

**PROVOST'S LECTURE SERIES**

**Human Origins—  
The Search for Our Fossil  
Ancestors in Eastern Africa**



**Dr. Meave E. Leakey**  
Paleontologist, Fossil Hunter  
**Monday, October 21**  
4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Student Activities Center  
Auditorium

**EAP Lunchtime Learning**

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is hosting a series of Lunchtime Learning Workshops. To register, download a form from [www.stonybrook.edu/hr](http://www.stonybrook.edu/hr) (click on Training and Organizational Development), then fax it to 632-6168. You can also call Denise Gross at 632-4501 for a form. Lunch will be provided.

**Wednesday, October 16  
When a Loved One is Depressed**

Less than half the people suffering from depression seek treatment. Through lecture, discussion, and videotape, workshop participants will learn the difference between "the blues" and clinical depression by reviewing symptoms; discuss the benefits of medication combined with counseling; and develop strategies to intervene with a loved one who appears depressed. 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Seminar Room 2B, Level 2, Health Sciences Center.

**Thursday, October 17  
Getting Unstuck from Pain**

There are times in our lives that we encounter pain and sometimes get stuck in these situations and are afraid to move. This workshop will examine strategies for the times when we feel immobilized to address pressing problems. 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Women's Studies Colloquium Center, Old Chemistry.

**Friday, October 18  
Anger Management  
—An Overview**

This workshop will teach you techniques on how to manage your own anger and how to deal with another person's anger. Participants will identify types of triggers to anger, learn behavioral signs and symptoms of anger, and role-play constructive ways to handle anger. 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Women's Studies Colloquium Center, Old Chemistry.

# Salute to Stony Brook

Thousands of faculty, students, and staff joined President Kenny on a perfect, sunny September afternoon to salute the achievements of the University. From square dancing on the Mall and karaoke in the Administration Lobby to duck races in the fountain and a tea party in the library, there was an event for everyone to enjoy. The party included cotton candy, photo buttons, popcorn, dance lessons, jazz music, bed races, and more. A raffle drawing also offered some great prizes, including the grand prize of two round trip tickets on Southwest airlines. The winner of that prize was Dana Tyrrell, a psychology student.

The evening was capped by a stirring tribute to the University and America as the Seawolves football team joined President Kenny and the crowd in singing God Bless America, followed by a fireworks finale.

Here are a few sights from the day's many events:



1. The football team joins President Kenny for the finale. 2. Professor Gerry Brown and his wife Betty demonstrate the Tango. 3. Bill Godfrey demonstrates his cooking talents in the Library Galleria. 4. Student dancers entertain the crowd. 5. During the Karaoke contest, Yvette St. Jacques, Howard Gimple (center!), and Jeanette Reynolds put their spin on *The Lady is a Tramp*. 6. The Stony Brook ducks prepare for one of their many races. 7. A driving enthusiast tries out a Mini Baja. 8. President Kenny during the singing of *Proud to be an American*. 9. The Fireworks Finale.

Photos by Medical Photography

## India Studies Benefit Raises \$500K

The Center for India Studies, "where scholarship and community service complement each other, is a wonderful success," said Girish Karnad, Jnan Peeth Award winning playwright, actor, and filmmaker. Karnad gave the Keynote Address at the Benefit Dinner for the Center on September 21, at which he was honored for his contributions to Indian theatre, cinema, and culture. The gala attracted scholars, artists, and leaders of the Indian community from around the greater New York area, and featured a dance recital by the famous Bharatanatyam duo, Sitharam and Anuradha Shridhar.

Dr. Nirmal K. Mattoo, President of the India Studies Foundation and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Association of Indians in America, announced that to date, the Foundation had raised more than half a million dollars toward its \$2 million goal. The funds are intended to create a permanent endowment for the Center for India Studies.

"The Center has yet again exceeded our expectations," said President Kenny, who was honored for her vision of a multicultural university and leadership in promoting India Studies. "In a brief five years, the Center has achieved extraordinary things. It has established itself nationally as a dynamic community of scholars and served the broader community with outreach programs and intellectual services."

The Center's founder, Professor S.N. Sridhar, attributed the Center's success to the synergy of student interest, faculty dedication, administrative vision, and community activism. After five years as Director of the Center, Professor Sridhar is stepping down to become the founding Chair of the newly created Department of Asian and Asian-American Studies. He will be succeeded by Professor Kamal K. (Meena) Sridhar, Associate Professor of Linguistics and India Studies.



From left to right: Professor S.N. Sridhar, Chair, Department of Asian and Asian-American Studies; Dr. James Staros, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences; President Kenny; Girish Karnad; Professor Kamal K. Sridhar, Director, Center for India Studies; Robert McGrath, Provost; and Dr. Nirmal K. Mattoo, President, India Studies Foundation.

**IN THE SPOTLIGHT**

Lynette Phillips has joined the Stony Brook community as Associate Counsel. She previously was employed in the Education Unit of the Office of the Attorney General in New York City and at the law firm, Piper Marbury Rudnick & Wolfe. Her area of expertise is employment and commercial litigation, and she also has experience in the negotiation of contracts and advising clients in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors. **Elinor R. Schoenfeld, Ph.D.**, Research Associate Professor in the Department of Preventive Medicine, has been selected as one of five experts to serve on the Data/Surveillance Team for the New York State Department of Health and the American Cancer Society's Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan for New York State. Plan development will occur over an 18-month period and will include many opportunities for community and other interested parties' input. **Dr. Enrique Criado** is the new Chief of Vascular Surgery. He joined the Department of Surgery on September 10, and his office is located in the Health Sciences Center, T-18, Room 040. He can be reached at 444-1279.

## Staller 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](http://www.stallercenter.com).

**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. 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 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 focused on 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.

**Admissions Office  
Open House**

Sunday, November 3

Sunday, November 3, the Office of Undergraduate Admissions will be hosting its annual Open House to preview all of the University's academic departments, student clubs and organizations, athletic programs, personalized student services, and state-of-the-art facilities. Open House registration will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Atrium of the Sports Complex. Last year, more than 4,500 prospective students and their families attended, representing an all-time record.

Open House is the most important recruitment event of the year. It not only provides an opportunity to showcase the best the University has to offer, it also brings to campus many of the nation's brightest and most accomplished prospective students. This event represents an excellent opportunity for faculty to make a personal impact and help recruit outstanding students. Each year, most of the students who attend go on to apply for admission, which increases the competition for what is already a highly selective admissions process.

All faculty who are interested in the recruitment of high-achieving undergraduates are asked to help in this effort by investing a few hours of their time between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to chat with students who are interested in their department's undergraduate programs.

For more information, contact Robert Pertusati, Associate Dean of Admissions, at 632-6911 or [Robert.Pertusati@stonybrook.edu](mailto:Robert.Pertusati@stonybrook.edu).

**Defensive Driving  
Workshop**

October 21 and 28

The Stony Brook Union Crafts Center is presenting a workshop in defensive driving beginning on Monday, October 21, and continuing on Monday, October 28, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Another section of the class is also available on Wednesday, November 13, and continuing on Wednesday, November 20, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The program, presented through the Empire Safety Council Accident Prevention Workshop, emphasizes traffic safety awareness, which is proven to reduce both accidents and traffic citations. Learn to be a defensive driver, save 10 percent on your liability and collision auto insurance, and reduce up to four points on your driving record.

The workshop is \$35 for adults and \$31 for students and includes a certificate and book. Pre-registration is required. Please call 632-6822.

**Homecoming 5K  
Run/Walk**

Sunday, October 20, 10:00 a.m.

This run/walk is sponsored by the Department of Campus Recreation and the Athletic Training Program. For an application and additional information please call 632-7168 or visit [www.recreation.sunysb.edu/events/homecominginfo.html](http://www.recreation.sunysb.edu/events/homecominginfo.html).

Entry Fee: \$8, all Stony Brook students; \$10, alumni, community members, faculty, and staff; \$15 Day of Race Application.

## Community Calendar

### The Long Island Museum Events

For more information, call 751-0066 or visit [www.longislandmuseum.org](http://www.longislandmuseum.org) for full program descriptions.

### Thursday, October 17 Day Trip to Connecticut

Visit the Florence Griswold Museum and the Lyman Allyn Museum in New London. 7:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Members \$75, non-members \$85.

### Sunday, October 20

**Women in Sports Discussion**  
Join in a discussion about the role of female athletes with Trish Roberts, Head Coach of Women's Basketball at Stony Brook, and Nina Kuscsik, the first woman to run in the New York City Marathon and the first female winner of the Boston Marathon. 2:00 p.m. in the Gillespie Meeting Room.

## The Annual French Week Celebration

will take place on

**Tuesday, October 22**

**4:30 p.m.**

Staller Center Recital Hall

# Hispanic Heritage Month

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).

### 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.

## Volunteers Needed!

Special Olympics Suffolk County is seeking volunteers for the upcoming 17th Annual Fall Games.

DATE: Sunday, October 27, 2002  
PLACE: SBU, Pritchard Gym  
TIME: 8:30 a.m. for Orientation

Volunteer to work with the athletes, help run the events, or run an Olympic village booth.

**No prior experience needed.**

For more information, please call Special Olympics at (631) 928-4489.

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# CALENDAR October 9 to November 21

## ART/MUSIC/THEATRE

**10/10, Thursday. Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar.** Dr. Richard Rotundo from the University of Miami School of Medicine discusses "Expression and Targeting of Acetylcholinesterase to the Neuromuscular Junction." 12:00 p.m., Room 038, Life Sciences.

**10/24, Thursday, to 11/16, Saturday. Student Art Exhibit.** "Queer Visualities: Reframing Sexuality in a Post-Warhol World" will be on display in the Student Activities Center Art Gallery. There will be an artists' reception on November 14, 12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. For more information, call 632-9392. Gallery hours: Tuesday-Friday, 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

**11/1, Friday. Emerson String Quartet with Gilbert Kalish.** Proclaimed as one of the world's foremost chamber ensembles, the six-time Grammy-winning quartet, in residence this year at SBU, will perform with Distinguished Professor and acclaimed pianist Gilbert Kalish. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$32.

**11/2, Saturday. La Bohème.** One of the top Russian opera companies, the Stanislavsky Opera performs Puccini's opera in Italian with English supertitles accompanied by a live chamber orchestra. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$36.

**11/3, Sunday. Computer Music.** Guest musicians perform the latest in sonic technology, including computers that listen and machines that sing. 7:00 p.m., Staller Center. Admission is free.

**11/9, Saturday. Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra.** Timothy Mount conducts Berlioz *Symphonie fantastique* and its sequel *Lelio* for chorus, actor, and soloists. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$16, general; \$8, students/seniors.

**11/10, Sunday. Tomás Kubínek: Certified Lunatic and Master of the Impossible.** The magician, acrobat, clown, and master of whimsy performs outrageous theatrics and surreal feats. Recommended for ages six and up. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 3:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$9.

**11/12, Tuesday. University Orchestra.** The opening concert features *Brahms Academic Festival Overture, op. 80*;

*Ferdinand David Concerto for Trombone and Orchestra*; and *Nikolia Rimsky-Korsakov Capriccio espagnol, op. 34*. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$8, general; \$4, students/seniors.

**11/15, Friday. Anoushka Shankar, Sitar.** Discover the extraordinary talent of the daughter of Ravi Shankar, legendary sitar virtuoso and composer of classical Indian music. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$28.

**11/16, Georgian State Dance Company.** These energetic folk dancers from Georgia in the former Soviet Union have amazed audiences all over the world with wildly choreographed dances. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$32.

**11/17, Sunday. Stony Brook Baroque Players.** Graduate students, under the direction of Arthur Haas, present an annual showcase of vocal and instrumental music from the Baroque period. 3:00 p.m., Staller Center. Admission is free.

**11/18, Monday. Undergraduate Recital.** Performances of a variety of solo and chamber works will be performed. For more information, call 632-7330. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Admission is free.

**11/20, Wednesday. CCP Premieres.** The Contemporary Chamber Players will perform new works. For more information, call 632-7330. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Admission is free.

**11/24, Sunday. Chamber Music.** Enjoy performances by Music Department students, featuring chamber music from the Baroque to the present. For more information, call 632-7330. 2:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m., and 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Admission is free.

**11/26, Tuesday. University Wind Ensemble.** Autumn Airs features works by Frescobaldi, Leoncavallo, Robert Russell Bennett, Hindemith, Weber, Bob Merrill, and Sousa. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Staller Center. Tickets: \$8, general; \$4, students/seniors.

## SEMINARS/LECTURES

**10/10, Thursday. Biochemistry and Cell Biology Seminar.** Dr. Paul Worley from Johns Hopkins University discusses "IEGs and Their Contribution to Synaptic

Plasticity." Hosted by Dr. James Trimmer. 4:00 p.m., Room 038, Life Sciences.

**10/11, Friday. 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." 7:30 p.m., Room 001, ESS Building.

**10/17, Thursday. Biochemistry and Cell Biology Seminar.** Dr. Scott Keeney from Sloan-Kettering Institute discusses "Initiating Meiotic Recombination: Making Breaks in Yeast and Mouse." Hosted by Nancy Hollingworth. 4:00 p.m., Room 038, Life Sciences.

**10/18, Friday. SUNY Conference.** "Rethinking the States of Latin American, Latino, and Caribbean Studies in New York State" is an all-day conference bringing together leading Latin American scholars in the SUNY system. 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., LACS Conference Room (SBS N-320).

**10/18, Friday. 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?" 7:30 p.m., Room 001, ESS Building.

**10/30, Humanities Institute Lecture.** Roman de la Campa, Department of Hispanic Languages and Literature, discusses "Postcolonial Marketing and Global Nostalgia: The Case of Buena Vista Social Club." 4:30 p.m., E-4340 Melville Library.

**10/31, Thursday. Biochemistry and Cell Biology Seminar.** Dr. Nikolaus Rajewsky from Rockefeller University discusses "Computational Approaches for Decoding Transcriptional Regulation." Hosted by Drs. Peter Gergen and John Reinitz. 4:00 p.m., Room 038, Life Sciences.

**11/2, Saturday, and 11/3, Sunday. Humanities Institute Conference.** "Politics and Filiation 5: Of Friendship" features Jacques Derrida, Visiting Professor in the Department of Philosophy. For more information, call 632-7765. Stony Brook Manhattan.

**11/6, Wednesday, and 11/7, Thursday. Humanities Institute Lecture.** Michele Wallace, Department of English at City College, discusses "Olympia's Servants: The Problem of the Visual in Afro-American

Culture, or Black is Beautiful." 11/6 lecture: 4:30 p.m., 11/7 seminar: 10:30 a.m. E-4340 Melville Library.

**11/7, Thursday. Fourth Annual George Goodman Symposium in conjunction with The Round Table: An Evening with Seymour Hersh.** Hersh, a two-time Pulitzer Prize winner, will discuss "Getting Behind the News." He is not only one of America's premier investigative journalists and authors, but also a writer for *The New Yorker* magazine and *The New York Times*. 7:00 p.m., Staller Recital Hall. The lecture is free.

**11/12, Tuesday. Center for Italian Studies Lecture.** Louisa Ermelino, author and Chief of Reporters for *In Style* magazine, will present a lecture on a topic to be announced. For more information, call 632-7444. 11:20 a.m., N-5000, Melville Library.

**11/14, Thursday, to 11/16, Saturday. Humanities Institute Conference.** "Queer Visualities" takes place on 11/14 at the CELT Center, E-1337 Melville Library and on 11/15-16 at Stony Brook Manhattan. For more information, call 632-7765.

**11/18, Monday. Obstetrics and Gynecology Seminar.** Lauri Budnick, M.D., from the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, will lead a discussion as part of the series "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.

**11/20, Wednesday. Humanities Institute Lecture.** Fall 2001 Internal Fellow Iona Man-Cheong from the Department of History will give a lecture, title to be announced. For more information, call 632-7765. 4:30 p.m., E-4340, Melville Library.

**11/21, Thursday. LACS Lecture.** Brooke Larson from the Department of History will discuss "Insurgent Literacy and Indigenous Politics in the Bolivian Andes of the Early 20th Century." 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m., LACS Conference Room (SBS N-320).

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**11/13, Wednesday. Center for Italian Studies Trip.** Enjoy sightseeing and shopping on Arthur Avenue, the "Little Italy of the Bronx" and visit nearby Botanical Gardens. Transportation cost is \$20. For more information and reservations, call 632-7444.