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PROVOST'S LECTURE SERIES

"Lyme Disease at Stony Brook: A 20-Year Story"



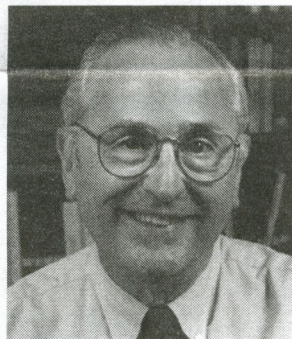
Jorge L. Benach, Ph.D.

Professor and Director,
Center for Infectious Diseases
Stony Brook University

September 16, 4:00 p.m.
Level 3, Lecture Hall 6, HSC



"How the Sun Shines"



John Bahcall

Richard Black Professor of
Natural Sciences,
Institute for Advanced Study

September 18, 4:30 p.m.
Wang Center Theatre



14TH IN A SERIES ON
CURRENT GLOBAL ISSUES
"Ancient Mesopotamia:
Lessons for the Future of Iraq
from its Distant Past"



Elizabeth C. Stone

Professor of Anthropology,
Stony Brook University
Member of *National Geographic's*
First Survey Team of Iraq's
Archaeological Sites

September 25 4:30 p.m.
Wang Center, Lecture Hall 2

Remembrance and Hope

Thursday, September 11

The Stony Brook community will come together to remember those who were lost on September 11, 2001. This year's Memorial Commemoration will be held Thursday, September 11, at 12:30 p.m. in the Student Activities Center (SAC) Plaza (Rain location will be the SAC Auditorium).

All members of the campus community are asked to please observe a moment of silence at 8:46 a.m. The televised Memorial Service can be viewed at 8:00 a.m. in the SAC Auditorium and Atkins Learning Center (HSC Level 4, Room 138). The Interfaith Center Chapel, Wang Center Chapel, and Hospital Chapel will be open all day for prayer, meditation, and reflection.

Friday, September 12

While September 11 is a solemn day of reflection and remembrance, a group of international and U.S. leaders have designated September 12 as a day of hope, celebration, and civic participation. At Stony Brook, the day will be marked with art, music, food, speakers, and workshops on the relationships between democracy and global interdependence.

Lectures, artwork, and food stations will be in SAC Ballroom A from 12:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. Workshops will be held in SAC meeting rooms from 2:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

Celebrating Interdependence Day

THIRTEENTH IN A SERIES ON CURRENT GLOBAL ISSUES



Joan Ross Frankson

Journalist, Writer, and
Communications Director,
Women's Environment and
Development Organization

"Global Interdependence: Democracy, Diversity, and Civic Engagement"

Friday, September 12, 12:00 p.m.
Student Activities Center, Ballroom A

The lecture will be followed by a series of workshops and small group discussions facilitated by the University Diversity Fellows. This talk is also part of the Provost's Lecture Series.

Americans Value Benefits Over Higher Salaries

National Poll Conducted at Center for Survey Research

According to the "Health Pulse of America"—a national survey conducted by Stony Brook's Center for Survey Research—71 percent of Americans would choose a lower-paying job with health coverage while only 24 percent would choose one with a higher salary but no health benefits. The survey emphasizes the anxiety that Americans are experiencing about health coverage, and shows that Americans are also overworked and crave more personal time.

"This poll clearly illustrates that Americans are more concerned about job-related health care than they are about their salaries," said Leonie Huddy, Director of the Center for Survey Research and Associate Professor of Political Science. "This willingness to trade health benefits for salary occurs across the economic spectrum—it is equally prevalent among professional and blue-collar workers, those without a high school diploma and college graduates, and members of high- and low-income households."

The poll also addressed other work-related issues. More than half said they are worried about losing employer-provided benefits in the coming year, and about half also said they could not afford to purchase their own insurance if they lost their current coverage. Good retirement benefits and job security also ranked higher than salary, with 66 percent and 71 percent, respectively, rating these as very important.

More than 40 percent of those polled believe that increased paid vacation time would improve Americans' health. This perception is equally common among current workers and those out of the work force, and is especially pronounced among people aged 49 and younger.

The poll also addressed other health issues, including concerns about obesity and the rising cost of prescription drugs. For more information about the poll or the Center, please call Leonie Huddy at 632-7639.

State of the University Address

All students, faculty, and staff
are invited to attend.

Wednesday, September 17
4:00 p.m.

The Charles B. Wang Center
Theatre

Reception Immediately
Following in the Wang Center
Theatre Lobby

Join President Shirley Strum Kenny
for Her Annual
State of the University Address
and
Introduction of Stony Brook's
New Faculty Members

1st-Year Undergrad Colleges Expand

Following the launch of the inaugural Information and Technology Studies College last fall, the Undergraduate College program for first-year students introduces the Arts, Culture, and Humanities College and the Science and Society College this fall. Each College is designed to enrich the freshman experience by promoting learning and connections with faculty through participation in various events and a one-credit seminar. Students are assigned an academic advisor, who serves as their SBU 101 instructor, and become engaged in building community at Stony Brook.

The Arts, Culture, and Humanities College, designated for those interested in the wide scope of human activity, encourages students to stretch their imaginations and enrich their minds. The college is housed in a newly renovated arts and cultural center in Tabler Quad, featuring a television and radio production studio, a digital arts facility, and a coffeehouse.

College of Science and Society students will be visiting laboratories at Stony Brook and at facilities such as Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory and Brookhaven National Laboratory to experience cutting-edge research firsthand.

The three remaining colleges to be added to the program starting in 2004 will focus on Global Studies, Human Development, and Leadership and Community Service. By fall 2004, all incoming first-year students will be placed in an Undergraduate College that matches their academic interests.

Intimate Partner Violence Workshop

Saturday, September 20

The workshop "Intimate Partner Violence: Building Screening Tools and Improving the Medical Response" will be held on Saturday, September 20, at 8:30 a.m. at the Health Science Center.

Intimate partner violence is a public health problem that affects millions in the United States. It is estimated that between one in four women in this country are victims of intimate partner violence in their lifetime, yet it has been shown that physicians grossly underestimate its prevalence in their practices.

The goals of this workshop are to raise the awareness within the medical community about this important aspect of patient care and to help to build screening tools.

The workshop begins with a panel discussion of a case of intimate partner violence. The panel consists of a physician, a nurse, a social worker, and a police detective. Each member of the panel will discuss his or her role as a member of the team. Then there will be a series of mock interviews, where volunteers will have an opportunity to interview patient actors.

If you pre-register before September 16, the cost is \$5. After that date, the fee will be \$15. To register, contact Taku Taira at Taku.Taira@mail.hsc.sunysb.edu.

Safety Wardens: Ready to Respond

The Safety Warden Program, developed through a partnership between building managers, Environmental Health and Safety fire marshals, and University police officers, is part of a comprehensive emergency management plan that addresses the safety and security concerns of the campus during an emergency.

When a fire alarm sounds or an emergency situation develops, Safety Wardens take immediate action to report the emergency, alert building occupants in their area, and initiate an evacuation to a designated assembly area.

Safety Wardens are volunteers who assist with communication, evacuation, and coordination of people during emergencies. Teams are organized by building, with building managers serving as building emergency coordinators.

Safety Wardens are provided training on their local building emergency plan that identifies and addresses specific hazards, fire alarm signals, and evacuation procedures for a particular building. Upon completion of training, these emergency volunteers receive Safety Warden vests for identification, two-way radios, whistles, and flashlights.

Additional information about the program can be found at www.stonybrook.edu/sb/emergency. To volunteer, contact your building manager or a fire marshal at 632-9678.

SBU and Ferry Team Up to Solve Lobster Mystery

The lobsters of Long Island Sound may be getting help from an unlikely ally—the Port Jefferson Ferry, a vehicle more inclined to serve the human rather than the shellfish community.

But the Bridgeport and Port Jefferson Steamboat Company, with the support of its Vice President and General Manager Frederick Hall, has proven to be a useful platform for Marine Sciences Research Center (MSRC) researchers to study local air-sea interaction processes in the Long Island Sound. In a New York Sea Grant-funded project, MSRC's Duane Waliser and Robert Wilson have been measuring environmental variables such as near-surface water temperature, salinity, and surface-to-bottom ocean current profiles. Acquiring this information could potentially help solve the riddle of the lobsters' diminished numbers in the waters of the Sound. Overall, more than 1,300 lobster fishermen have been adversely affected by a huge die-off of the popular shellfish since the fall of 1999.

"Up until now, there have been no long-term measurements of such data over the central Sound," Waliser said. These atmospheric and oceanographic data are critical for understanding the development and demise of summertime water column stratification, or layering of temperature under the Sound's surface. In turn, researchers are getting a clearer picture of the impact the atmosphere has on hypoxia, a condition of low dissolved oxygen that is stressful to lobsters as well as a wide range of the Sound's aquatic organisms.

According to Travis Baggett, a MSRC graduate student studying atmospheric conditions, one of the theories being studied is that an early breakdown of the summer stratification caused the lobsters to become trapped in water too warm for their survival. "While this may not be the sole factor," Baggett said, "if it is found to be true, it would cause stress to the lobsters and make them more susceptible to other pressures."

Dr. Josephine Aller, who supervises a National Science Foundation sponsored summer research program for undergraduates at MSRC, has benefited from the continuous data collection as well. "For the past several years, undergraduate and graduate students conducting similar research have had to individually go out on the Sound in small boats to obtain measurements of temperature and dissolved oxygen. Thanks to this research study, data can now be more systematically obtained from the instruments aboard the *PT Barnum* ferry."

"The Bridgeport-Port Jefferson Steamboat Company is providing an extremely valuable resource by letting us sample the Sound from their vessel," said Waliser. Normally, meteorological measurements are made by stationary instruments and only provide data from one place at a time. The ferry's mobile nature provides the research team with data across the Sound.

Invited guests will "Board the Barnum" on September 29 for the unveiling of a new kiosk on the passenger deck, where they will learn about the ferry research program and see the data gathered. Additional resources for this Sea Grant project were provided through Stony Brook's Office of University Communications and Office of the Vice President for Research. For more information, visit www.stonybrook.edu/soundscience.



Standing from left to right: Fred Hall, Marina Kuznetsova, Tom Wilson, Josie Aller, Megan Dantzer, Cornelia Schlenk, Jeremy Shambaugh, Robert Wilson, Duane Waliser, Travis Baggett, and Christopher Jahns. Kneeling from left to right: Shaunna Vargas, Anne Bendfeldt, and Mimi Amberger.



Professor Waliser points at the wind sensor on the *PT Barnum*'s port bridge wing that provides direction and wind speed. At the top of the mast is the solar radiation sensor.

In Memoriam

NANDOR BALAZS, Professor Emeritus in the Department of Physics and Astronomy, passed away on August 16. Dr. Balazs came to Stony Brook in 1961 when the University and department were just taking shape. He gave stature and rigor to the department during those early years and helped form the department with his eclectic style and broad range of interests. Although Dr. Balazs retired from Stony Brook in 1995, he remained active until the time of his death.

CARL BURGOS, former Director of Printing Services from 1986 to 2002, passed away in August. Carl came to Stony Brook from New York University with the responsibility to research and implement an on-site print shop for Stony Brook. At one time, the University Print Shop employed 24 staff members. Carl was very involved in several national printing organizations and received numerous accolades from industry peers and the University, including the Chancellor's/President's Award for Excellence in Professional Service.

Call for Nominations Due September 24

If you intend to file a nomination for a colleague for either the SUNY Distinguished Service Professor or SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor title, you need to submit only the Single Page Nomination Form by Wednesday, September 24. Subsequently, the full nomination file with supporting documentation is due Thursday, November 13.

The deadline for the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities, Chancellor's/President's Award for Excellence in Librarianship, Chancellor's/President's Award for Excellence in Professional Service, and the Chancellor's/President's Award for Excellence in Teaching is also November 13.

Forms for all the nominations listed above should be sent to Regina Funaro, Provost's Office, 407 Administration Building, Zip = 1401. For more information, she can be reached at 632-7016.

The entire nomination booklet is available at www.sunysb.edu/pres.

Volunteers Needed to Teach Literacy

The Adult Literacy Center at Stony Brook University is a partnership between the Literacy Volunteers of America-Suffolk County, Inc. and Stony Brook University. The Center is designed to serve employees, students, their families, and other members of the University community.

Services at the Center include basic literacy tutoring for the low-level reader (below 6th grade) and for those in need of conversational English skills.

The Adult Literacy Center is looking for volunteers to help individuals learn to read and write and/or speak conversational English. A Tutor Training Workshop will be offered on campus from September 11 through October 30.

For more information, please call 444-6058 or e-mail Bessie Ortega, Literacy Coordinator, at Bessie.Ortega@stonybrook.edu.

Forum on Global Security

The challenges raised by the events of September 11 demonstrate the need for cooperative approaches to develop and implement cost-effective security plans for national and global critical infrastructures. The Stony Brook University Forum on Global Security is pioneering the effort to use research and development and information technology to protect against further terrorist attacks and disruptions and reduce their impact should they occur.

The Forum is sponsoring a one-day conference, "Preparing Experts to Combat Bioterrorism: Bridging the Science-Policy Gap," on Friday, November 7, for bioscience, university, government, and non-governmental leaders. With the support of the Carnegie Corporation of New York, the conference will explore how universities can develop a pool of bioscientists and clinical professionals who can provide expert leadership in biosecurity measures for government and private sector organizations as well as for their own institutions.

Those interested in attending should e-mail Dr. Lester Paldy at Lester.Paldy@stonybrook.edu or call him at 632-7026.

Faculty/Alumni Lecture Series

Each lecture in this series, organized by Dr. Lester Paldy, features an engaging topic presented by a Stony Brook faculty member. The talks begin at 6:30 p.m., following light refreshments at 6:00 p.m. There will be ample time for audience discussion and questions following each lecture.

The series opens on Tuesday, November 11. Arthur P. Grollman, Professor of Pharmacology and Medicine, will discuss "Herbal Medicines and the Role of the Placebo Effect," which addresses the safety concerns raised by unregulated herbal medicines and analyzes the placebo effect with respect to its central role in clinical investigations and therapeutics.

The talks are free, but since seating is limited, all those interested in attending should call 632-6330 now for reservations.


Stony Brook Manhattan is located at 401 Park Avenue South at 28th Street. For information about course offerings and future lectures, visit www.stonybrook.edu/sb/nyc.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

The Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Medicine

Dr. Paul Ogburn, Director of the Maternal-Fetal Medicine Division and Director of the Department's Research Internship Program, received the Faculty Honor Award, which was presented by Stony Brook's chapter of the Alpha Epsilon Delta Premedical Honor Society.

The Gynecological Oncology Division received the noteworthy American College of Obstetrics and Gynecologists (ACOG) Elsevier Science, Inc., Roy M. Pitkin Award in recognition of outstanding research published in the medical journal, *Obstetrics and Gynecology*.



wolfstock2003
A Homecoming Tradition

October 17
Homecoming Parade. 7:00 p.m.

October 18
Wolfstock Village. 1:00 p.m.
• Featuring the Alumni Food Pavilion and University Expo Center

Football Game. 4:00 p.m.
• Halftime Kick to win a new Chevy Avalanche from Ramp Chevrolet.

For more information, please visit www.alumni.stonybrook.edu or call 1-877-SEAWOLF.

University Expo Center

Last year more than 3,000 people attended Wolfstock. Reserve a table at the University Expo Center, and you can bring displays, interactive activities, and information to let people know what's happening in your area; or have faculty and staff on hand to meet people.

There is a \$10 fee to cover the cost of the table and chair rentals. If you are interested, please contact Sandra Skinner at 632-4995 or by e-mail at Sandra.Skinner@stonybrook.edu.

The Wolves Are Back

Bring some animation to your school, department, or club by decorating a wolf. Last year's Homecoming wolves were a huge success and can be seen throughout campus.

The Alumni Relations Office will be purchasing six life-size fiberglass wolves again this year to be decorated and displayed at Homecoming. The wolves will then be auctioned off at the Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner on November 20, with proceeds going to student scholarships. To find out how you can get a wolf for your school, department, or group, contact Sandra Skinner.

Sociology Department Packs a Global Punch

It is no mere coincidence that the courses offered by the Department of Sociology have one of the highest enrollments on campus. According to its Chair, Dr. Norman Goodman, this popularity is due to the inherent interest of students in the substance of sociology and to the quality of instruction offered by the department.

This interest in sociology was augmented by a conscious decision of the department in 1996 to emphasize global studies, resulting in the hiring of new faculty whose expertise contributed to the department's emphasis in this area.

Students seeking expert opinion on Latin America can turn to Dr. Javier Ayuro, whose book, *Contentious Lives: Two Argentine Women, Two Protests, and the Quest for Recognition*, won the best book prize of the New England Council for Latin American Studies. Or, they may have seen Middle Eastern specialist Dr. Said Arjomand, Editor of the *International Journal of Sociology*, when he appeared on the *Lehrer News Hour* last year. If they are interested in Europe, they might consult Dr. Daniel Levy who recently received a three-year grant with a colleague in Germany to study the "Politics of Restitution and Forgiveness in Germany, Poland, and Austria."

Dr. Kiyoteru Tsutsui, a Japanese specialist, studies the issue of global human rights and Dr. Jackie Smith is a major figure in research on transnational social movements. The department's latest acquisition, Dr. Eileen Otis—who will spend the next year on a post-doctoral appointment at Harvard—studies women and work in China. With Africa constantly in the headlines, the expertise of Nigerian-born Dr. Oyeronke Oyewumi is especially useful. Dr. Michael Kimmel's classes in gender are extremely popular and unusual for their inclusion of the topic of masculinities, a field of study that he helped create; he also edits the journal *Masculinities*.

The department is the only one on campus that can boast two Distinguished Teaching Professors, Goodman and Dr. Judith Tanur. Dr. Cathy Marrone won an Excellence in Teaching Award from another department (Women's Studies) and Dr. Tim Moran was honored with the Graduate Dean's Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching. In each of the past two years, a sociology graduate student has won the President's Award for Excellence in Teaching by a Graduate Student.

Other notable achievements of department members this year include Dr. Ian Roxborough's prestigious Carnegie Foundation Fellowship to study military strategy and threat assessment; Dr. James Rule's grant from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation to examine the effect of information technology on privacy in several different countries; and Dr. Jackie Smith's National Science Foundation grant for research on globalization and transnational movement mobilization.



Photo illustration by Steven Ferris

Stars Raise Funds for Burn Unit

Television and movie stars raised \$30,000 in a celebrity charity softball game against a team of Brookhaven volunteer firefighters on Saturday, August 23. The proceeds will support the Burn Unit at Stony Brook University Hospital, which has the only facility of its kind in Suffolk County, and the Brookhaven Firemen's Museum.

More than 3,000 spectators at the Suffolk Police Athletic League Stadium on Furrows Road in Holbrook saw Jason Wiles and other cast members of the hit TV show, *Third Watch*, film actor Chris Klein of *American Pie*, and Justin Long from the hit TV show, *Ed*, play Brookhaven Town Supervisor John Jay LaValle's All-Star Volunteer Firemen, a team comprised of firefighters throughout the Town. The celebrities won the game, 23 to 22.

"We really appreciate the efforts of all the dedicated firefighters throughout the Town of Brookhaven," said Bruce Schroffel, Director and CEO of Stony Brook University Hospital. "They take good care of the people in Brookhaven and, when called upon, we want to continue to take good care of them."

Dr. Larson Awarded ACLS Fellowship

The American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) has awarded one of its 2002-2003 ACLS fellowships to Stony Brook History Professor, Brooke Larson. In a national competition, ACLS fellowships for post-doctoral research in the humanities and humanities-related social sciences were awarded to 72 scholars out of 1,018 applicants.

ACLS fellowships are designed to permit scholars, after many years of full-time teaching and administrative duties, to devote a full year of research and writing in such fields as literatures and languages, history, anthropology, political theory, classics, and religion.

Larson was awarded the ACLS fellowship for her research on peasant schooling in the Bolivian Andes from 1900 to 1952. Her project studies the shifting social definitions of power, knowledge, and justice through the lens of Indian education in the rural highlands of Bolivia, where the peasant masses remained subjugated and disenfranchised until the mid-20th century.

"I am honored by this research award, which will allow me to spend the academic year immersed in my project," Larson said. "I plan a short trip to Bolivia to finish up the research, but I will spend most of the year drafting chapters for the book. Eventually it will be published in the U.S. and in Spanish in Bolivia, where Indian rights, bilingual/multicultural education, and social justice are burning issues of the day." Larson's next book is called *Trials of Nation Making: Liberalism, Race, and Ethnicity in the Andes, 1810-1910*.

Larson served as Director of Stony Brook's Latin American and Caribbean Studies Center during its formative years between 1994 and 1997. With several other colleagues, she has built Stony Brook's international graduate program in Latin American history.

**10th Annual
Walk for Beauty...
in a Beautiful Place**

Help support breast and prostate cancer research at Stony Brook University Hospital.

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Sunday, September 21

**Registration: 8:30 a.m.
Start of 6K Walk: 9:30 a.m.**

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For more information and to register, call 444-4393. There is a \$15 registration fee.

To volunteer on the day of the walk, call 444-6400.

**Habitat Fundraiser
Wednesday, October 8**

A golf outing to raise funds for Habitat for Humanity will be held on October 8. If you are interested, contact Donna at 632-9003 or at Donna.Diaz@stonybrook.edu.

Fall Fashion Festival

Featuring the Hospital's very own models!

Doctors

Dacosta, Meek, O'Hea,

Chalas, Reavis,

Yen, Jaber,

Karpeh, and Brathwaite

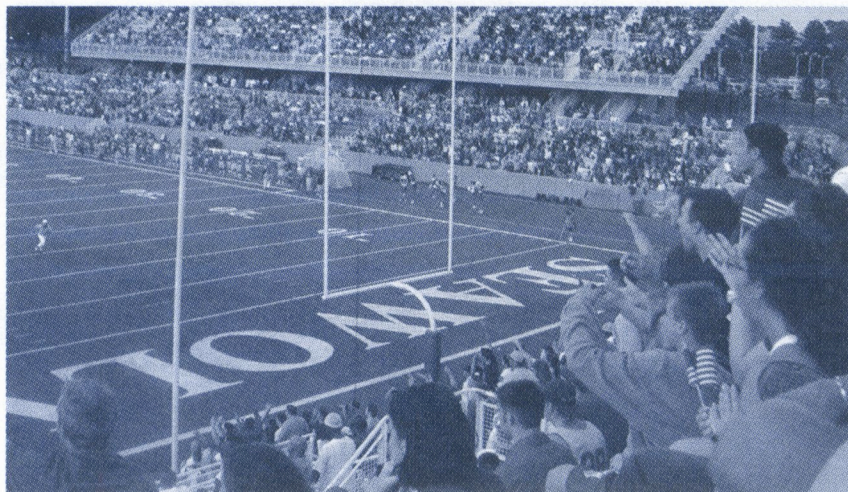
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**Thursday, October 16
6:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m.
Meadow Club, Port Jefferson**

**Cocktail Hour, Dinner,
Chinese Auction, DJ
Tickets: \$45**

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Proceeds benefit women cancer patients at Stony Brook University Hospital. For more information and tickets, call Linda Bily at 444-2390 or Cynthia Lombardo at 444-8035.



Fans cheer on the Seawolves at the Kenneth P. LaValle Stadium.

**Football Season Opener
Is Just Days Away**

Saturday, September 13

The Stony Brook Seawolves football team opens the 2003 season on Saturday, September 13, when it hosts the Siena Saints at 6:00 p.m. inside the Kenneth P. LaValle Stadium. The first 5,000 fans receive a free Howl Towel, and there will be an exciting post-game fireworks display.

The Seawolves won all five games at home in the Stadium's inaugural season and more than 28,000 fans were a part of it. Don't miss out!

Tickets are on sale now for just \$6. Get yours today by calling 632-WOLF, or visit Seawolves football online at www.goseawolves.org.

The next home game is Saturday, September 20, vs. Wagner at 6:00 p.m. The first 5,000 fans will receive a free Lenticular Schedule Cup. Children 12 and under can take advantage of a pre-game youth clinic from 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. with Stony Brook players and coaches.

On View at the SAC Gallery

"In the Ether": Now through September 26

On display now at the Student Activities Center (SAC) Gallery, "In the Ether" showcases St. Louis artist Brandon Anschutz's most current work. The installation, curated by L. Alexandra Couri, will have a Closing Artist Reception on Thursday, September 25, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. All are invited.

"In the Ether" refers to the hypothetical substance above us through which electromagnetic waves travel. Anschutz's work looks toward this space and on our reliance upon technology in every aspect of our lives.

Beginning as a traditional landscape painter, Anschutz now subtly refers to his surrounding landscape using a variety of visual clues. Painting on materials such as exposed plywood panels and Naugahyde, he utilizes both the natural and the man-made. "In the Ether" explores these subtleties head on, allowing Anschutz to command the gallery space and transform it into his own landscape.

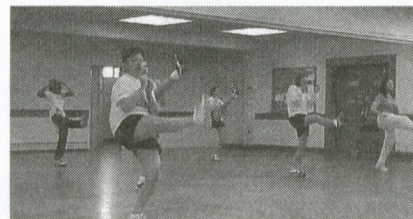
The SAC Gallery is located on the main floor and is open Tuesday to Friday, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Fitness-A-Thon

Tuesday, September 16

The Department of Campus Recreation Wellness Center will be hosting a free Fitness-A-Thon on Tuesday, September 16, from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Student Activities Center Auditorium. This program will include top fitness professionals teaching classes such as Step Aerobics, Body Sculpting, Hatha Yoga, Cardio Kick Boxing, Aeroboxing, Resistance Ball, and Body Wedge.

Classes are limited, so be sure to sign up at the Fitness-A-Thon registration booth at the Wellness Center.



The Wellness Center offers a variety of fitness classes.

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CALENDAR SEPTEMBER 10 TO OCTOBER 18

ART/MUSIC/THEATRE

Now through 9/26, Friday. "In the Ether." This art exhibit features the work of Brandon Anschutz. Closing Reception: 9/25, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. SAC Gallery.

9/16, Tuesday to 10/22, Wednesday. Faculty Show 2003. For information, call the University Art Gallery at 632-7240.

9/20, Saturday. Long Island Philharmonic. For tickets, call (631) 293-2222.

9/28, Sunday. Concert. "Jewels of Song: Opera and Operetta Selections" will be held at the Siena Spirituality Center, Water Mill, 2:30 p.m. Call 632-7444 for reservations.

10/4, Saturday. Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra. For more information, call the Department of Music at 632-7330.

10/11, Saturday. Mandy Patinkin in Concert. His interpretations of popular standards by Rodgers and Hart, Stephen Sondheim, Harry Chapin, and Cole Porter mesmerize audiences from coast to coast. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$37.

10/17, Friday. Emerson String Quartet. The renowned quartet-in-residence will perform an all-Mendelssohn program for their first concert of the season. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$33.

10/18, Saturday. Bela Fleck and the Flecktones. The multi-Grammy winners travel between the lines that separate pop, funk, jazz, rock, folk, classical, and bluegrass. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m., Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$37.

SEMINARS/LECTURES

9/12, Friday. The Worlds of Physics. Axel Drees, Department of Physics and Astronomy, discusses "Gold Rush on Long Island and the Search for Quark Matter." For more information, call 632-8757. 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

9/18, Thursday. Lecture/Book Signing. Author Irma Jaffe discusses *Shining Eyes, Cruel Fortune: The Lives and Loves of Italian Renaissance Women Poets*. For more information, call the Center for Italian Studies at 632-7444. 3:30 p.m. Room E-1337, Library.

9/19, Friday. The Living World. John J. Shea, Professor of Anthropology, discusses "Neanderthals, Competition, and Modern Human Origins in SW Asia," and gives a stone tool-making demonstration. For more information, call 632-8600. 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

9/26, Friday. Geology Open Night. J. Lawrence Swanson, MSRC, discusses "What Are the Consequences of Dredging in North Shore Harbors?" For more information, call 632-8200. 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

10/1, Wednesday. Prelec Memorial Lecture. Dr. Deanna Marcum, Associate Librarian of Congress and National Librarian, discusses "The Relationship of Scholars to the Library in the Digital Age." For more information, call 632-8927. 2:00 p.m., Atkins Learning Center, Level 4, HSC.

10/2, Thursday. Biochemistry and Cell Biology Seminar. Dr. James V. Staros, discusses "Selective Glycosylation of Canonical N-Glycosylation Sites in the Human EGF

Receptor." Hosted by Dr. Jakob Schmidt. 4:00 p.m., Room 038, Life Sciences.

10/10, Friday. Presentation. Italian Parliament Representative Senatore Learco Saporito discusses "National Unity, Federalism, and the European Union" in Italian with English translation. For more information, call 632-7444. 6:00 p.m. SB Manhattan.

10/16, Thursday. Biochemistry and Cell Biology Seminar. Dr. Hazel Holden, University of Wisconsin, discusses "Structure/Function Studies of Enzymes of the Leloir Pathway." 4:00 p.m., Room 038, Life Sciences.

SPECIAL EVENTS

9/15, Monday. Women's Health and Cancer. Associate Professor Dr. Eva Chalas discusses "Ovarian and Other Gyn Cancers." To pre-register, call (631) 924-6400. 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Longwood Public Library, Middle Island.

9/17, Wednesday. State of the University Address. Join President Kenny for the University Convocation and introduction of Stony Brook's new faculty members. 4:00 p.m. Wang Center.

9/21, Sunday. Walk for Beauty. Help support breast and prostate cancer research at SBU Hospital. 6K/4K walk begins at 9:30 a.m.; registration at 8:30 a.m. To register, call 444-4393.

STALLER FILMS

Tickets: \$5 general; \$4 students, seniors, and children 12 and under. For tickets and

information, call 632-ARTS. All shows are on the Main Stage.

9/12, Friday. Finding Nemo. Pixar Animation Studio continues to sizzle for Disney with this enchanting tale with Albert Brooks as a clown fish and his forgetful companion (Ellen Degeneres) searching for his lost son. Fun for the whole family. 7:00 p.m.

9/12, Friday. L'Auberge Espagnole. A captivating comedy about a young Frenchman sharing an apartment with a multinational group of European students in Barcelona. In English, French, Spanish, Danish, and Catalan with English subtitles. 9:15 p.m.

9/19, Friday. Tycoon. This compelling epic film, nicknamed "Russia's Godfather," is based on the notorious life of industrial giant Boris Berezovsky and his dramatic rise to power. 7:00 p.m.

9/19, Friday. A Mighty Wind. In the tradition of *This is Spinal Tap* (an aging heavy metal band), *Waiting for Guffman* (a small-town theater group), and *Best in Show* (the Westminster Dog Show), this is a mocking look at the world of folk music. 9:30 p.m.

10/3, Friday. Together. This film is a personal story of a young violin virtuoso who travels from his village to Beijing to make the most of his art. In Mandarin with English subtitles. 7:00 p.m.

10/3, Friday. Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines. The highly anticipated third chapter in the series features a world of permanent darkness where machines control man's destiny. Before it is stopped, something terrible has to happen. 9:30 p.m.