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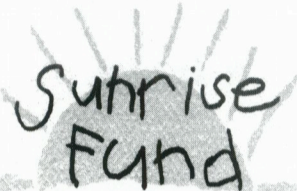
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## Fundraising Events

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A NEW DAY FOR CHILDREN WITH CANCER

Students at the St. James Elementary School and in the William Floyd School District are hosting Walk-a-thons to benefit the Sunrise Fund at Stony Brook University, which was developed to raise awareness about childhood cancer and to raise funds for programs and projects for the Pediatric Oncology Program at Stony Brook University Hospital.

Hundreds of children, parents, civic leaders, and staff from the hospital are expected to participate in the two-mile walks. The William Floyd High School Walk-a-thon is on Saturday, May 15, at 9:00 a.m. For more information, please call 722-2270 or e-mail [nmpcm@aol.com](mailto:nmpcm@aol.com). The rain date is Sunday, May 16.

The St. James Elementary School Walk-a-thon is on Sunday, June 6, at 9:00 a.m. with a rain date on Sunday, June 13. For more information, please call 382-4455.

Visit [www.sunrisefund.org](http://www.sunrisefund.org) for more information about the Fund.

## Dr. Yacov Shamash Honored by WMHO

The Ward Melville Heritage Organization's (WMHO) Heritage Partner Award will be presented to Dr. Yacov Shamash, Vice President of Economic Development and Dean of the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, at the WMHO's 11th Annual Long Island Golden Eagle Award dinner on Friday, June 18, at the Wyndham Wind Watch Hotel in Hauppauge.

Dr. Shamash's many accomplishments include initiating New York State's Strategic Partnership for Industrial Resurgence (SPIR) program, which has partnered Stony Brook University with more than 220 companies to work on more than 1,150 projects. He is a trustee of WMHO as well as a member of the Board of Directors of American Medical Alert, Keytronic, Manchester Technologies, and Netsmart Technologies.

Proceeds from the Golden Eagle Award Dinner will benefit WMHO's educational and performing arts programs at the Educational and Cultural Center in Stony Brook Village, and also historic properties in Stony Brook. For more information or reservations, call 751-2244.

## Look Inside for Your Copy of the New SB Campus Map

From the Charles B. Wang Center to SAC II to the Kenneth P. LaValle Stadium, Stony Brook has been changing and growing at an extraordinary pace. A new campus map has been created to reflect the University's new appearance and make it easier to navigate around campus, announced Yvette St. Jacques, Assistant Vice President for University Communications.

The full-color map, hand drawn by cartographer and illustrator Albert Lorenz, will be available in two formats: in a promotional brochure entitled "Campus Map and Visitor's Guide" and as a one-sided 11 x 17 sheet. In the brochure, one side displays the map framed by an illustrated border, as shown on the copy included inside this special issue of *Happenings*. The other side features photos and descriptions highlighting the Stony Brook campus and beyond. (Each department will be receiving a sample copy of the brochure under separate cover.) The 11 x 17 sheet will be printed without the border to allow for a more enlarged image of the map for wayfinding purposes. Both pieces fold to fit into a standard business envelope for easy mailing.

The Office of Communications has established a pilot program for ordering maps and brochures in order to evaluate usage. Departmental orders for up to 500 maps and/or brochures will be available this year, at no charge, with a minimum order of 50. To order, please use the Forms Order Sheet, which can be obtained by contacting Central Services at 632-6297 or 632-0340. Forms requests can also be made by faxing the Forms Order Sheet to 632-1105. Departments will be required to cover printing costs only for quantities in excess of these amounts: 20 cents each for the promotional brochures, 10 cents each for the standard map, with a minimum order of 250 each. For these larger quantities, please contact Anita Lago in University Communications at 632-1594 or [Anita.Lago@stonybrook.edu](mailto:Anita.Lago@stonybrook.edu).

## Donna Woodruff Named Assoc. Athletics Director

Donna (Mulhern) Woodruff, former Director of Administrative Services for Athletics at Villanova University, has been named Associate Director of Athletics for Administration and Student-Athlete Development/Senior Women Administrator at Stony Brook. Woodruff will be a member of the Stony Brook Athletics senior management team and will have direct oversight of several administrative units and staff including Compliance and Eligibility, Academic Advising, and Student-Athlete Services, while also supervising several men's and women's sports programs.

"After a thorough and extensive search process that was open and inclusive, I am very pleased to add Donna Woodruff to the Stony Brook University community, our Seawolves family, and my senior management team," said Director of Athletics Jim Fiore. "Her wealth of experience will prove very fruitful for current and future student athletes, my entire staff, and our university."

"I am extremely honored and excited to be joining the Stony Brook family as a member of the Athletic Department's senior management team," said Woodruff. "There is a palpable enthusiasm and commitment to excellence under Jim Fiore's leadership and I look forward to working with the staff, coaches, and student-athletes, as well as the larger university and local communities, to continue to move Stony Brook to an even greater level of prominence."

A member of the Villanova Athletic Department's strategic planning committee, Woodruff represented Villanova's 24 teams on residence life, dining services, and financial aid issues while coordinating all athletic camp operations. She was also responsible for the oversight of program operations for men's ice hockey, men's crew, men's volleyball, men's water polo, and the department equipment room. As a member of the compliance office staff, she was connected to all day-to-day operations and in charge of specific programs such as the NCAA Special Assistance Fund, the Student-Athlete Opportunity Fund, and drug testing.



Donna Woodruff

## Campus Life Awards

Wednesday, May 5  
5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.  
Student Activities Center  
Auditorium  
Reception to Follow

Honoring Stony Brook's student leaders, clubs, organizations, and advisors to student groups for their outstanding contributions to building our campus community.

## Grad Students on Mars Rover Mission

Teng-fong Wong, Chair of the Department of Geosciences, has announced that graduate students Brian Hahn, Joel Hurowitz, and Nick Tosca have been added as student collaborators to the Mars Exploration Rover Mission during its extended phase. They will be going to the Jet Propulsion Lab in Pasadena, California, where they will take an active role in mission operations for several months, including helping to design and implement science plans for rover activity.

"In order to add student collaborators, Professor Scott McLennan, who is one of the 28 distinguished scientists on NASA's Mars Exploration Rover Project, had to make the case that they would provide significant skills or insights that the mission needed," said Wong. "This is a fantastic opportunity for these students to carry out research and make important contributions at the absolute cutting edge of planetary exploration."

In addition, at the annual Lunar and Planetary Science Conference held in Houston in March—the premier international conference in planetary science—Tosca won the Dworkin Award for best student oral presentation and Hurowitz won an Honorable Mention for the Dworkin given to the best student poster. The Dworkin Award is one of the most prestigious awards given to student research in the planetary sciences.

"The Department and University should be very proud of these superb graduate students and take note that in the span of about six or seven years, the Department of Geosciences, through involvement in the Mars program as well as through research initiatives by Professors Scott McLennan, Martin Schoonen, Hanna Nekvasil, Don Lindsley, and Troy Rasbury, has gone from virtually no involvement to being a significant force in planetary sciences," said Wong.

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## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Nancy M. Hollingsworth, Associate Professor of Biochemistry and Cell Biology, has been invited to serve as a member of the Microbial Physiology and Genetics (2) Study Section, Center for Scientific Review. Study sections review grant applications submitted to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), make recommendations on these applications to the appropriate NIH national advisory council, and survey the status of research in their field of science. She was chosen for her demonstrated competence and achievement in her discipline as evidenced by the quality of her research accomplishments, publications in scientific journals, and other achievements and honors.

## SUNY Honors Two SB Staff for Saving Life

State University of New York Board of Trustees Chair Thomas F. Egan and Chancellor Robert L. King have honored two Stony Brook staff members for saving the life of a man whose implanted pacemaker had stopped working.

"Officer Susan Fantel and Lisa Cantara acted in the highest tradition of public service and epitomize the finest traits of the State University of New York," said Egan. "On behalf of the entire State University of New York community, I would like to express our appreciation to them for their life-saving efforts."

On March 26, Stony Brook Police Officer Susan Fantel arrived on the scene of an accident in which a car driven by Mr. James Patsalos had jumped the sidewalk and crashed into a railing at the entrance to the Indoor Sports Complex. Fantel quickly determined that Patsalos had no pulse and was not breathing. With the assistance of passers-by, she removed the driver from his severely damaged vehicle. Fantel, who was joined by Stony Brook Assistant Athletic Trainer Lisa Cantara, immediately began to perform CPR on Patsalos. They then connected him to the police department-issued automatic external defibrillator (AED), which was in Fantel's patrol vehicle.

Once the AED produced a shock that restored the victim's heartbeat, Fantel and Cantara continued rescue breathing until the ambulance arrived. Doctors later discovered that Patsalos had an implanted defibrillator and pacemaker that stopped functioning, causing his heart to stop.

Patsalos is recovering at Stony Brook University Hospital thanks to the professionalism and quick thinking of Fantel and Cantara, who were presented with a certificate by Chairman Egan and Chancellor King.

## Summer Camp Final Open House May 15

Summer Camp at Stony Brook will be held from June 28 to August 20. The final Open House will be held on Saturday, May 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Sports Complex.

For more information, visit [www.stonybrook.edu/daycamp](http://www.stonybrook.edu/daycamp) or call 632-4550.

## Volunteers Needed to Welcome New Employees

Dear Stony Brook Faculty and Staff:

In response to the University Five-Year Plan, we are exploring ways to welcome newly relocated faculty and staff to their new community. In order to implement this initiative, we are reaching out to you for volunteers who may be interested in being a contact person.

The contact person's role is to contact a newly hired faculty or staff member who will be relocating from outside of Nassau or Suffolk County. Perhaps you yourself have relocated in the past and can recognize what could be helpful to faculty, staff, and their families as they become Long Island residents. Even if you were not "transplanted" to this area, you still may be able to provide helpful information.

This is a voluntary process for both parties. It is not expected that you will have all the answers to the questions that might be asked of you, only that you serve as an initial point of contact to help our new faculty or staff member become oriented to Stony Brook and the greater community. Also, you may be able to refer him or her to other colleagues or friends (with their permission) who have helpful information. For example, topics that may be of interest to new arrivals might encompass housing, child-care, schools, and cultural or recreational activities. The goal is to welcome our new faculty and staff members by helping them begin the process of settling into their jobs and their community. This outreach effort is separate from the formal New Employee Orientation Program that all new employees are invited to attend.

The amount of time you devote to this is entirely up to you, as these are volunteer activities that would not be part of your regular work time or duties.

If you would like to be part of this volunteer group, please complete the online form at [www.stonybrook.edu/volunteering](http://www.stonybrook.edu/volunteering). Questions about volunteering can also be directed to Donna Buehler, Employee Assistance Program, at 632-6085 or [Donna.Buehler@stonybrook.edu](mailto:Donna.Buehler@stonybrook.edu).

We thank you for taking the time to read this letter and hope that you or a colleague will become a volunteer.

Sincerely,

—George Meyer, Assistant Vice President for Presidential Initiatives/Deputy to the President, and the Committee to Welcome New Faculty and Staff

## The Asian Indians in America

This PBS program premieres in the New York tri-state area on channel 21 on

Tuesday, May 18, at 8:00 p.m.

This documentary features Stony Brook's Center for India Studies.

## New Developments in Osteoporosis Research

Two studies using a novel non-invasive, non-pharmacologic intervention for the prevention of osteoporosis showed a significant improvement for post-menopausal women and children with cerebral palsy, where bone fragility is of particular concern. The studies were led by Clinton Rubin, Director of the Center for Biotechnology and Chair of the Department of Biomedical Engineering, and a national expert on osteoporosis.

The research also may have consequences for the planned manned mission to Mars. Loss of bone density and strength is compounded in extended space flight, and Rubin and two Stony Brook colleagues, Stefan Judex and Yi-Xian Qin, have received a multiyear award from NASA to develop a prospective flight experiment that is in the design and development stage at Stony Brook.

Rubin's research focuses on the use of low-magnitude, high-frequency mechanical vibrations administered to patients non-invasively to simulate active muscle. It was shown that exposure to mechanical signals would increase bone mass and improve bone strength. This approach was tested on post-menopausal women. The results from this study indicate that short daily exposure to these signals can effectively inhibit the bone loss that normally follows menopause. Post-menopausal women can lose two percent of their bone density a year; astronauts can lose two percent of their bone density per month.

The study involving children with cerebral palsy explored the potential of short durations of low-level mechanical signals to effectively increase bone mineral density in children with disabling conditions. After only six months, the subjects who stood on a placebo device lost approximately 12 percent of their bone density from the tibia, while the subjects on the active device gained six percent.

"We are very excited with the results, which indicate that these mechanical signals can prevent bone loss in the post-menopausal women, as well stimulate bone gain in children with osteoporosis," said Rubin. "To stop bone loss without the use of drugs may offer an alternative to pharmacologic therapies that require decades of committed use."

## Med Student Wins Leadership Award



Despina Siolas, a student in the Medical Scientist Training Program in the School of Medicine, has received a 2004 American Medical Association (AMA) Leadership Award. This year, awards were presented to 20 medical students, acknowledging each as an emerging leader and recognizing their efforts for advancing health care in America. Siolas was the only winner from New York State.

These awards are presented annually to medical students, residents/fellows, and young physicians who have demonstrated strong non-clinical leadership skills in medicine or community affairs and have an interest in further developing their skills within organized medicine. Siolas, along with the other award recipients, attended the AMA Foundation Leadership Awards program and the National Advocacy Conference held at the end of March in Washington D.C. While there, she also had the opportunity to lobby about medical student/health issues with other medical students and physicians from New York State.

## Senior Art Show

Now through May 19

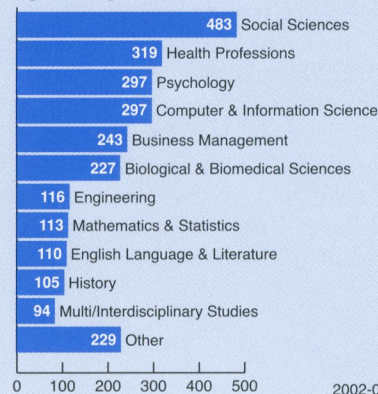
As commencement approaches, Stony Brook will present its annual exhibition of works by senior art majors. This year's show will be on view at the University Art Gallery in the Staller Center from now through Wednesday, May 19. A reception for the artists will be held on Saturday, May 8, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The juried "Senior Show 2004" will include paintings, sculptures, ceramics, photographs, mixed media installations, and works on paper selected by faculty members from the Department of Art.

Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday, 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Saturday, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The Gallery will also be open one hour before the 8:00 p.m. performance of the Emerson String Quartet on Friday, May 7. Admission is free. For more information, call 632-7240.

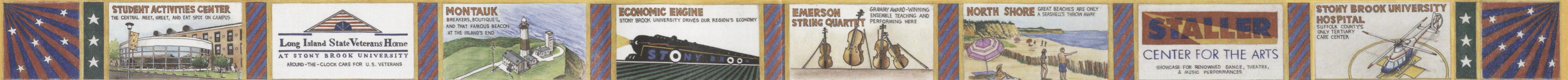
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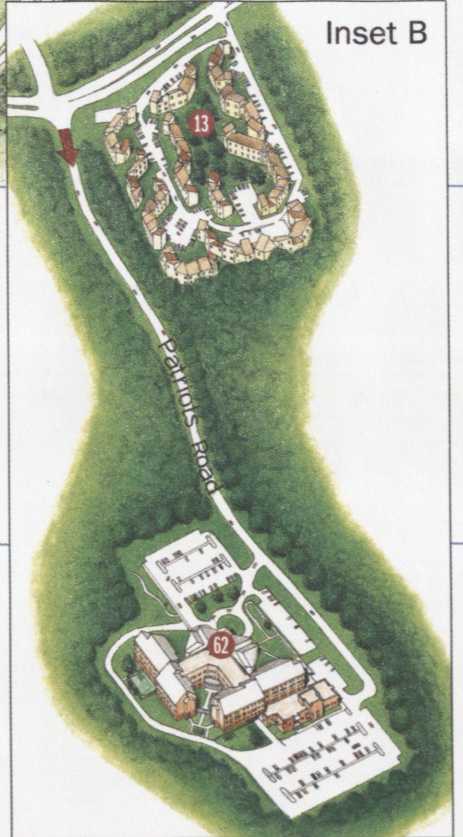
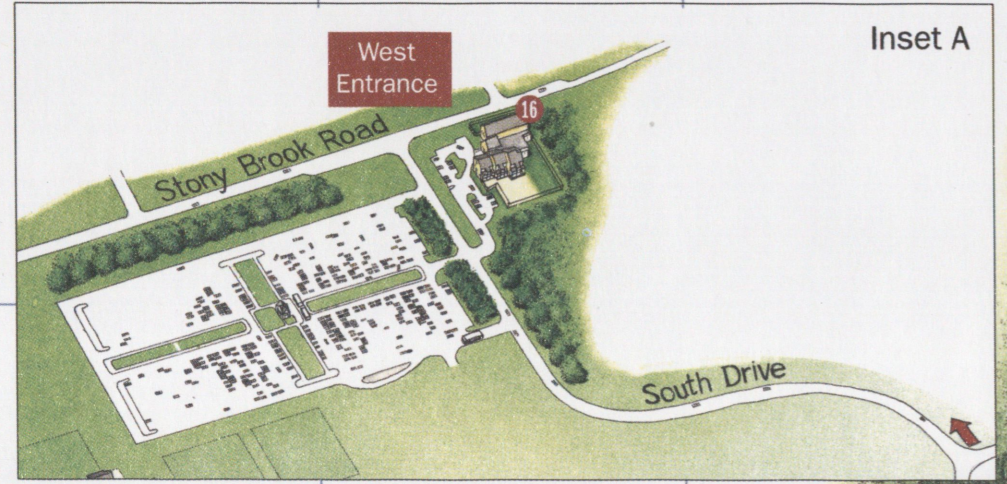
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## 11th Annual Child Care Cash Bonanza

Win \$15,000 on May 13

Support child care at Stony Brook and get a chance to win \$15,000 in the 11th Annual Child Care Cash Bonanza. Sponsored by Stony Brook Child Care Services Inc., a non-profit organization, this year's drawing will take place on Thursday, May 13, in the Student Activities Center.

Only 1,200 tickets at \$50 each will be sold, so the odds of winning are 1 in 40. You can buy your own ticket or split the cost with co-workers, friends, or family.

<b>First Prize:</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
<b>Second Prize:</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>
<b>Third Prize:</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
<b>Fourth Prize:</b>	<b>\$500</b>
<b>Five Prizes:</b>	<b>\$200 each</b>
<b>10 Prizes:</b>	<b>\$100 each</b>

A ticket admits two. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. and the drawing begins at 8:00 p.m. Champagne, coffee, teas, and desserts will be served, courtesy of Three Village Inn Catering.

For more information or to purchase tickets, please call 632-6930. You don't need to be present to win.

### SAVE THE DATE

#### Stony Brook Film Festival

July 21–July 31  
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For more information, visit  
[www.stallercenter.com](http://www.stallercenter.com).

## New Grad Program in Public Health

Stony Brook's graduate program in Public Health has received authorization from the New York State Department of Education to begin admitting students beginning fall 2004. Students admitted to the program will earn a Master's of Public Health (MPH) degree.

The MPH program will play a role in translating the groundbreaking work being done at Stony Brook in the clinical, basic, and social sciences to the field of public health. The program, headed by Raymond Goldstein, Dr. P.H., is recruiting two new faculty members in addition to several faculty members already teaching in the Health Sciences Center who will join the program. Information and applications may be obtained by calling 444-2074.

The MPH program will be a collaborative effort among the five Schools of the Health Sciences Center and other critical components of the University, including the Long Island Cancer Center, the General Clinical Research Center, and the Centers for Molecular Medicine. In addition, collaborations are being established with researchers throughout the campus to completely harness the University's extraordinary talent and resources that can be applied to public health. These collaborations include joint efforts with the departments of Economics, Psychology, and History; the Center for Environmental Science; and the Marine Sciences Research Center, to name a few.

## University Art Gallery Receives Needed Funding



Left to right: Alan Inkles, Director of Staller Center; Alice Jean Zuccaire; and Amanda Meyers, Staller Center Director for Advancement

The Paul W. Zuccaire Foundation has made a \$30,000 commitment to support the exhibitions and operations of the University Art Gallery at Staller Center for the 2004-05 season.

Gallery Director Rhonda Cooper was overjoyed at the generosity of the Foundation and refers to it as the Gallery's "angel." In the last round of major cutbacks in funding from New York State, the Gallery's budget was drastically cut, and only emergency fundraising and contributions from the Friends of Staller Center prevented the Gallery from canceling its exhibitions and closing its doors. The Gallery brings together students, faculty, staff, visiting artists, and the community through exhibitions and lectures, and it is enmeshed in the curriculum of the Department of Art.

The generous contribution from the Zuccaire Foundation will ensure that the important work of the Gallery will continue next year. In addition to supporting the schedule of exhibitions for the 2004-05 season—the 2004 Faculty Show featuring the work of four Stony Brook faculty members, a retrospective exhibition of New York City artist Lucio Pozzi, the 2005 MFA Thesis Exhibition, and the 2005 Senior Show—this donation will also provide funds to upgrade the Gallery's lighting system.

The mission of the Foundation is to perpetuate the memory and the spirit of Paul W. Zuccaire by encouraging, promoting, and supporting the arts, education, health, humanitarian, and other related activities through grants to not-for-profit institutions and organizations. The Foundation was established in 1999 by Estelle Zuccaire in memory of her husband.

According to his daughter, Foundation President Alice Jean Zuccaire, Paul W. Zuccaire lived the "American Dream." A French immigrant, he graduated from City College in 1929, and four years later he opened the first of two insurance agencies. In 1954 he founded State Wide Insurance Company, and in 1963 he founded Country-Wide Insurance Company.

## Italian Culinary Program

May 11–13 at Stony Brook Manhattan

The three-day culinary program, "A Taste of Calabria: Peperoncino" features presentations and workshops at the Italian Culinary Institute on Fifth Avenue in New York City. Peperoncino products from the Calabria region of Italy will be introduced into the United States. Hear discussions on their scientific, nutritional, and cultural aspects; products will be showcased. For a complete schedule of events and more information, call the Center for Italian Studies at 632-7444.

## Biomedical Engineering Produces Intel Finalist

Daniel Choi, a Syosset high school student, was a finalist selected from a group of 300 semi-finalists and a record 1,652 applicants for the prestigious 2004 Intel Science Talent Search (STS) competition. He was among the top 40 finalists who competed for college scholarships totaling more than \$500,000. Choi worked on his research project, "DNA Microarray Analysis of *Shewanella Oneidensis* Grown for Fuel Cell Use," under the guidance of Dr. Anil Dhundale, Assistant Professor, Department of Biomedical Engineering, and Melissa Monaghan, Department of Biomedical Engineering and the Center for Biotechnology.

The Intel STS, America's oldest and most prestigious pre-college science competition—often considered the "junior Nobel Prize"—provides an incentive for students to develop their scientific interests at an early age and a forum for them to share their ideas with other talented young scientists around the country. The top 300 entrants and their schools received \$1,000.

From the 40 finalists, Choi was among six students from Long Island. They traveled to Washington D.C. to attend the week-long Science Talent Institute where they participated in final judging. The grand prize was a \$100,000 scholarship; second place, \$75,000; and third place, \$50,000. Fourth- through sixth-place finalists each received a \$25,000 scholarship; seventh- through tenth-place each received \$20,000. The remaining 30 finalists, including Choi, each received a \$5,000 scholarship, and all students attending the competition receive an Intel® Centrino™ mobile technology-based notebook computer. The winners were announced at a black-tie banquet in Washington D.C.

## Chamber Music Fest with the Emersons

Now through May 8

The Department of Music's Chamber Festival is the culmination of an entire year's work, with a full week of performances, master classes, and lectures. Faculty from the Department of Music, including the Emerson String Quartet, will join together to coach, perform, rehearse, and lecture about music from 1700 to the present.

All events are open to the public and held in the Staller Center Recital Hall, unless otherwise indicated. For more information and a listing of concert programs, please visit [www.stonybrook.edu/music](http://www.stonybrook.edu/music). All events are free except where noted. For ticketed concerts, please visit [www.stallercenter.com](http://www.stallercenter.com) or call the Staller box office at 632-ARTS.

### Schedule of Events

#### Wednesday, May 5

Jazz Combos in Concert features Stony Brook Jazz Director Ray Anderson and four bands. 12:40 p.m.

Masterclass led by pianist Christina Dahl at the Health Sciences Center, Lecture Hall 1, Level 2. 4:00 p.m.

Undergraduate Recital. 4:00 p.m.

Contemporary Chamber Players with Co-directors Gilbert Kalish and Eduardo Leandro. 8:00 p.m.

#### Thursday, May 6

Masterclass with Emerson violinist Eugene Drucker in Room S240, Physics. 4:00 p.m.

Faculty and Student Chamber Music Concert with the Emersons. \$14 adults; \$7 seniors, staff, students, children. 8:00 p.m.

#### Friday, May 7

Ward Melville Orchestra Workshop with the Emersons. 4:00 p.m.

Faculty and Student Chamber Music Concert with the Emersons. \$14 adults; \$7 seniors, staff, students, children. 8:00 p.m.

#### Saturday, May 8

Masterclass led by Emerson violinist Philip Setzer. 11:00 a.m.

Faculty and Student Chamber Music Concert with the Emersons. \$14 adults; \$7 seniors, staff, students, children. 8:00 p.m.

Festival Closing Concert: Faculty and Student Chamber Music with the Emersons. \$14 adults; \$7 seniors, staff, students, children. 8:00 p.m.

## Cody Comedy Festival, May 14

Tickets On Sale Now

The annual evening of comedy entertainment benefitting the Matt and Debra Cody Center for Autism and Developmental Disabilities at Stony Brook University will be held on Friday, May 14, at 8:00 p.m. at the Staller Center. Cody Comedy Festival 2004 will feature the talents of comedy stars Ted Alexandro, Wali Collins, Buddy Fitzpatrick, and Lenny Marcus.

This two-part event will begin with the Funny Bone Reception at the Charles B. Wang Center at 5:30 p.m. The comedy show follows at 8:00 p.m. in the Staller Center. Tickets to the Comedy Show are \$25; tickets to the Funny Bone Reception, which includes a buffet dinner and reserved seating at the comedy show, are \$150. To purchase tickets or for more information, please call 444-2899.



## HSC Seminar Series

Wednesday, May 26

The Professional Development Seminar, "Legal, Financial, Business, and Marketing Issues Associated with Mature Practices," will be held on Wednesday, May 26. This seminar is designed for Stony Brook graduates of the following schools: Dental Medicine, Health Technology and Management, Medicine, Nursing, Social Welfare, and the Department of Psychology.

Co-sponsored by the New York Small Business Development Center and the Health Sciences Office of Alumni Relations, the half-day session will be held on campus. The cost for alumni is \$25; for all others, \$40. Please call 444-2899 or visit [www.hscalumni.edu](http://www.hscalumni.edu) for more information on time and location.

## Girls Soccer Camp

July 19–July 23

The Stony Brook women's soccer staff and team would like to invite girls between the ages of 7 and 16 to their summer soccer camp. Two sessions will run the week of July 19 to 23. The day session will run from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for players between the ages of 7 to 16. The evening session will run from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for players between the ages of 11 and 16.

Three separate programs will meet the needs of players of all ages and abilities. Players will attend training sessions and participate in games each day and will receive a T-shirt and official Stony Brook University soccer ball. For more information, please contact Megan Mills at 632-3286.

## SB Village Events

For more information about the following events at the Ward Melville Heritage Organization's Educational and Cultural Center, call 751-2244.

### Now through June 6

*At Home with Audrey Hepburn*  
Performances are on Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 11:30 a.m. and Sunday at 12:30 p.m. \$35, high-tea luncheon performances.

### Saturday, May 16

*The Five Smith Sisters*  
This living history theatrical performance and high-tea presentation is from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



## May 6, 1:30 p.m.

**Asia and America: Emerging Opportunities**  
What does the phenomenal economic expansion of Asian mean to people in the United States? What can Asia offer the adventurous entrepreneur, the soul-searching individual, the curious traveler? What are the career and business opportunities that China, Japan, Korea, and India offer to Stony Brook students and to Long Island communities? Ambassadors and Consuls General of these four countries present their nations' cultural and economic potential. They will also elaborate on the ways in which their countries, their people, and their cultures have contributed to life in the United States. The presentations, moderated by Dr. Yacov Shamash, will be followed by an open forum with the audience and a reception. A special performance by the Nippon Club Women's Chorus presenting a repertoire of songs from Asia opens the symposium at the Wang Theatre. Complimentary admission.

For a complete listing of Wang events, visit [www.stonybrook.edu/wang](http://www.stonybrook.edu/wang).

## Faculty and Staff Volunteers Needed

May 2004  
Commencement  
Ceremony

★  
Kenneth P. LaValle  
Stadium  
Friday, May 21

★  
For more information, please call Peg Abbatiello at 632-6320.

## Lunchtime Learning

May 6 and May 13

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) will present a Lunchtime Learning two-session workshop on "Adult Children Living at Home."

You have a responsibility as a parent, but when does it end? Many parents are catering to adult children who won't leave home until their expectations for the "good life" are guaranteed. This workshop will address this issue with information and helpful suggestions.

Part I will be held on May 6, and Part II will be on May 13. Both sessions are from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Women's Studies Colloquium Center.

To register, call 632-6085. Please feel free to bring your lunch. For more information, please visit [www.sunysb.edu/eap](http://www.sunysb.edu/eap).



## SEAWOLVES

### Upcoming Home Baseball Games

#### Saturday, May 15

Seawolves vs. UMBC, 12:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

#### Sunday, May 16

Seawolves vs. UMBC, 12:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday, May 19

Seawolves vs. Seton Hall, 3:30 p.m.

#### Saturday, May 22

Seawolves vs. Binghamton, 12:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

#### Sunday, May 23

Seawolves vs. Binghamton, 12:00 p.m.

For more information, call 632-WOLF or visit [www.goseawolves.org](http://www.goseawolves.org).

## Take a Wetlands Cruise

Now through October 31

Voted "Best of the Best" by *Dan's Papers* in 2001, the Ward Melville Heritage Organization's (WMHO) "Discovery," Long Island's only wetlands cruise, has launched its ninth season this month. Passengers board the 35-passenger pontoon boat for a one-and-a-half hour cruise from Stony Brook Harbor into the surrounding wetlands. A naturalist serves as guide for an experience that embraces ecology, geology, and history. The "Discovery" Wetlands Cruise Program was developed by WMHO in cooperation with Stony Brook's Marine Sciences Research Center.

As the "Discovery" winds its way up West Meadow Creek, participants see sweeping vistas of the moraine and the long sandspit with the historic Gamecock Cottage at its tip. The naturalist on board explains the importance and fragility of the wetlands ecosystem while exploring how, when, and why Native Americans first settled on Long Island. Binoculars are a must for a close-up look at the wetlands' waterfowl and birds. All passengers receive a pictorial flyer to help with bird identification.

Cruises are scheduled at high tide from now through Sunday, October 31. Fees are \$18 per adult or \$35 for two, and \$10 for children under 12. A special senior rate, \$12 for passengers 60 years and above, is available Monday through Thursday in May, June, September, and October. For reservations and more information, visit [www.wmho.org](http://www.wmho.org) or call 751-2244.

## HAPPENINGS

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## CALENDAR MAY 5 TO MAY 26

### ART/MUSIC/THEATRE

5/5, Wednesday. **Jazz Combos.** Enjoy Broadway-style standards, jazz standards, and original compositions. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 12:40 p.m.–2:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$8 general, \$4 students/seniors.

Now through 5/8, Saturday. **Chamber Music Festival.** A celebration with the Emerson String Quartet performing as a group and with students in the Stony Brook Chamber Music program. For tickets and information, call 632-ARTS.

5/12, Wednesday. **Stony Brook Chorale/Camerata Singers.** The two groups perform music by Faure, Bach, Elliott Carter, and Golijov. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$8 general, \$4 students/seniors.

5/16, Sunday. **Ackerman Memorial Concert.** Graduate students perform in memory of Dr. Lauren Ackerman, a generous donor to the Music Department. For more

information, call 632-7330. 4:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center.

5/23, Sunday. **Adult Chamber Music Concert.** For more information, call 632-7330. 5:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center.

### SEMINARS/LECTURES

5/6, Thursday. **Family Violence Education Program.** Dolores Reagan-Cordon discusses "Battered Women and Pregnancy, Suffolk County Perinatal Coalition." 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Lecture Hall 5, Level 3, HSC.

5/6, Thursday. **Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar.** Dr. David Zenisek, Yale University School of Medicine, Department of Cellular and Molecular Physiology, discusses "Imaging Synaptic Vesicle Dynamics in Retinal Bipolar Cells Using Evanescent Field Microscopy." 12:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

5/7, Friday. **Astronomy Open Night.** Professor Douglas Swesty, Department of Physics and Astronomy, discusses "Measuring the Universe with Thermo-

nuclear Supernovae." For more information, call 632-8757. 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

5/13, Thursday. **Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar.** Dr. Eric Gouaux, Columbia University, discusses "Structure and Function of the AMPA and NMDA Families of Ionotropic Glutamate Receptors." 12:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

5/14, Friday. **The Worlds of Physics.** Professor Robert de Zafra, Department of Physics and Astronomy, discusses "The Stability of Earth's Climate over Time." For more information, call 632-8757. 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

5/24, Monday. **OB/GYN Seminar.** Dr. Todd Griffin discusses "The Post-Menopausal Woman." To pre-register, call 588-5024. 7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m. Sachem Public Library, Holbrook.

5/26, Wednesday. **Professional Development Seminar Series.** "Legal, Financial, Business, and Marketing Issues Associated with Mature Practices" is

designed for alumni. For more information, call 444-2899 or visit [www.hscalumni.edu](http://www.hscalumni.edu). Alumni \$25, others \$40.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

5/11, Tuesday to 5/13, Thursday. **A Taste of Calabria: Peperoncino.** This three-day culinary program of presentations and workshops will introduce Calabrian "peperoncino" products to the U.S. For more information, call the Center for Italian Studies at 632-7444. Events are at SB Manhattan, 401 Park Avenue South.

5/14, Friday. **Cody Comedy Festival.** All proceeds benefit the Cody Center for Autism and Developmental Disabilities. For tickets and more information, call 444-2899. 8:00 p.m. Staller Center.

5/15, Saturday. **Spring Ballroom Social.** Buffet dinner and music. 8:00 p.m.–11:45 p.m. SAC Ballroom A. \$25 in advance, \$35 at door. Call Campus Recreation at 632-7206.