### **Reinvention Center Hosts Conference**

The Reinvention Center at Stony Brook will present a conference on "Integrating Research into Undergraduate Education: The Value Added" on Thursday, November 18, and Friday, November 19 in Washington, D.C. Co-sponsors are The National Science Foundation and The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation.

For more information about the conference, call The Reinvention Center at 632-4544 or e-mail at reinvention@stonybrook.edu.

### **Terence Martin at University Café**

Sunday, November 14



This fall's Sunday Concert Series at the University Café turns the spotlight on singer/songwriter Terence Martin. He returns by popular acclaim, after a sell-out concert in the area last spring, participation in the 2004 Falcon Ridge Preview Tour, and an impressive appearance at this summer's Falcon Ridge Folk Festival in the Most Wanted Song Swap. Martin has also appeared at most of the major music venues in the Northeast.

In addition to his musical career, he is a published poet and teacher. Martin has released three CDs with his most recent, Sleeper, receiving critical acclaim and radio airplay across the country. Martin will be showcasing songs from his upcoming CD during his University Café appearance. "Familiar Mysteries," a song from his Waterproof CD, was selected for the title track on the second CD from the Garland Appeal, the charity for breast cancer research started in memory of Linda McCartney.

Martin will be accompanied by Dan Bonis, a master of various string instruments, including lap steel guitar. He has just released his own CD, Delivering The Cake.

Caroline Doctorow will be opening. Carmel Valley Ride, inspired by the songs of Richard and Mimi Farina, is her most recent release.

For reservations, call 632-6027. Tickets are \$15 at the door. Eric Andersen will close the fall Sunday Concert Series on December 5, with Glenn Jochum opening. Watch upcoming issues of Happenings for more details.

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### Task Forces Planned for 2005–2010 Five Year Plan

Nominations Sought by Friday, November 12

**↑** tony Brook will complete the Five Year Plan for 2000–2005 this year and develop a plan for the next five years. The new plan will position Stony Brook to move from first class to world class while responding and contributing to the post-9/11 world.

As the first step, President Kenny will appoint task forces of faculty, students, staff, alumni, and members of the community to make recommendations on programmatic directions; academic organization structure; graduate education; the student experience; multicampus development; and image, spirit, and pride.

To volunteer for a task force or nominate someone for membership, go to www.stonybrook.edu/pres/taskforces.shtml or stop by the President's Office (310 Administration) to fill out a form. Nominations will be accepted through Friday, November 12.

### **PROVOST'S LECTURE SERIES**

25th in a Series on **Current Global Issues** 

"Self-Advocacy and **Disabled People:** Experiences in Brazil, Japan, and the **United States**"



#### **Annibal Coelho** de Amorim

Brazilian Neurologist and Social Psychologist, Director of the Mental Health Community Center Program in Rio de Janeiro

Monday, November 8, 4:00 p.m. Charles B. Wang Center

Co-sponsored by the School of Health Technology and Management, the School of Medicine, the Master's Program in Public Health, the Medicine in Society Program, the Office of the Vice President of the Health Sciences Center, and the Provost's Office.

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### **Student Conducts Research in Japan**

Louis Esparza, a second-year doctoral student in the Department of Sociology, was awarded a National Science Foundation research grant to participate in the 2004 East Asian and Pacific Summer Institute. He was one of 150 advanced U.S. graduate students—the largest contingent of U.S. students in the program's 14-year history—to conduct research in countries such as Australia, China, Japan, Korea, and Taiwan.

Esparza spent his time in Tokyo at Sophia University's Department of International Relations. His research project, "Japan at a Crossroads: Agricultural Change in an Era of Economic Globalization," gave him the opportunity to develop qualitative research skills and gain experience in fieldwork. Esparza's faculty advisors from Stony Brook are Professor Michael Schwartz and Assistant Professor Kiyoteru Tsutsui.

The East Asian and Pacific Summer Institute program runs about eight weeks, from June to August, and each awardee receives airfare and a \$3,000 stipend. Sponsoring organizations support students' local living expenses. For information about the 2005 program, visit www.nsftokyo.org/spmenu.htm.

## Office of Diversity & Affirmative Action

**Upcoming Events** 

November 9 and 10 "Brown Eyes/Blue Eyes"

This video lets viewers participate vicariously in the "Blue-eyed/Brown-eyed" exercise. In the video are adults from Kansas City, Missouri, who were invited by a local organization, Harmony, to take part in a workshop about appreciating diversity.

The group is divided according to eye color. Since the blue-eyed people are on "the bottom" they are crowded into a small, hot room without enough chairs and watched by strict security. They are left there for a long while without any information while she prepares the brown-eyed people to be "on the top."

The brown-eyed people are given answers to test questions and instructed to demean the blue-eyed people. When the blue-eyed people are brought into the room, some are required to sit at the feet of the brown-eyed people. They are assigned negative traits that are commonly assigned to people of color, women, lesbians and gay men, people with disabilities, and other non-dominant members of society.

The screening on November 9 will be held in the HSC, Level 2, Lecture Hall 3, and the November 10 event will be in the Wang Center, Room 103. The Diversity Fellows will facilitate a discussion afterwards.

For more information on upcoming events, call the ODAA at 632-6280.

# **Class Rings a Shining Symbol of Stony Brook**

The first official Stony Brook Class Ring made its debut recently at Homecoming, with a sparkling float sponsored by ring manufacturer Balfour and a display at the Expo tent. Joe Campolo, President of the Stony Brook Alumni Association Board, was first in line to make a purchase. "A ring is a very important step in helping to unite all alums with the



University," said Campolo. "It will serve as a great symbol of pride and a constant reminder to our alums that the University and the Alumni Office is there for them, even after they leave campus."

Many alums stopped by for a chance to win a free ring, courtesy of the Alumni Association. The raffle winner will be announced shortly and will be presented with the ring at the inaugural Ring Ceremony in the spring, to be hosted by President Kenny.

Parents of eligible juniors and seniors will be notified this month of the opportunity to purchase the ring during Ring Week, scheduled for early February. Available in 10k, 14k, and 18k in a classic signet style, the rings will be on display at the University Bookstore later this month.

# **Dr. Preston Honored By SFS Planning Committee**



This year's Student Faculty Staff (SFS) Planning Committee was on hand at the 20th anniversary of the SFS Pre-Retreat Session held on October 18. The event also marked the naming of the Traditions Lounge in the Student Activities Center. In addition, Dr. Fred Preston (second from right), Vice President for Student Affairs, was honored for two of the many major campus traditions he has brought to Stony Brook during his tenure, the Student Faculty Staff Retreat and the Year of Community annual themes. A plaque was unveiled honoring Dr. Preston at the ceremony, which lists the various SFS Retreat and Year of Community themes. The theme of this year's retreat, which will be held on November 5 and 6, will be "Pride and Tradition." From left are: graduate student co-chair Isobel Breheny-Schafer, Suzanne Sullivan, Norm Prusslin, Dr. Jerrold Stein, undergraduate student co-chair Marrisa Trachtenberg, West Campus faculty co-chair Dr. Bob Kerber, Mira Kinariwala, administrative staff co-chair Joan Dickinson, Dr. Preston, and East Campus faculty co-chair Deborah Zelizer.

### Long Island State Veterans Home Employee Honored



On September 22, the New York Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (NYAHSA) honored Charles A. Wilson, Jr. (third from left), a certified nursing assistant at the Long Island State Veterans Home since 2000, as the 2004 Long Term Care Employee of Distinction for Long Island. Attending the award presentation was New York State Senator John J. Flanagan (far left), Assemblyman Steve Englebright (second from left), and Carl Young, President of the New York Association of Home and Services for the Aging. This is the second year in a row an employee at the Veterans Home has won the NYAHSA award.

### Rigas Developing Colon Cancer Drug

A Stony Brook University researcher is testing a new form of aspirin—one that is much more potent than its commercially available counterpart, but with almost none of the side effects—to determine whether it can be used to prevent colon cancer in patients who are prone to the disease.

The study of the new medication—called nitric oxide-donating aspirin, or nitroaspirin—is supported by a \$3.2 million grant from the National Cancer Institute. Basil Rigas, M.D., Professor of Medicine and Chief of the Division of Cancer Prevention at Stony Brook's School of Medicine, reported last month the findings of his trials on laboratory animals at the annual Frontiers in Cancer Prevention Research conference in Seattle. The conference is sponsored by the American Association for Cancer Research.

"Studies in cell culture and animals have shown that this new aspirin is hundreds to thousands of times more potent than traditional aspirin in inhibiting the growth of colon cancer cells and quite effective in preventing the development of colon cancer in laboratory animals," said Dr. Rigas, who will begin human trials of nitroaspirin by the end of this year.

While traditional aspirin has been shown to be effective in clinical trails in preventing certain cancers, it also is associated with significant side effects, including gastrointestinal bleeding, kidney damage, and allergic reactions ranging from mild to fatal. In addition, traditional aspirin is typically effective in preventing cancer in only about 50 percent of those who take it.

Colon cancer can take many years to develop, but it is frequently not diagnosed in its earliest stages because cancerous lesions in the colon grow slowly and often without symptoms. More than 148,000 new cases of colon cancer are diagnosed in the U.S. each year.

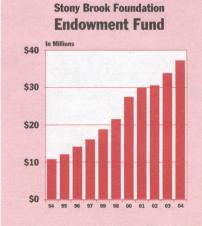
### Veterans Day Ceremony

Wednesday, November 5 1:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m. SAC Ballroom B

Speaker: Colonel Alan A. Ecke

The Ceremony is dedicated to students, alumni, faculty, staff and families who have served or are currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces.

### **SB STAT**



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### **New Drug Discovery Institute Created**

A university-wide, interdisciplinary Institute for Chemical Biology and Drug Discovery (ICB&DD) has been created at Stony Brook to develop practical drugs. The founding director of the institute is Distinguished Professor Iwao Ojima of the Department of Chemistry. Institute headquarters are on the seventh floor of the Chemistry building.

Faculty in the Departments of Biochemistry and Cell Biology, Medicine, Molecular Genetics and Microbiology, Pharmacological Physiology Sciences. Biophysics, and from the Institute for the Conservation of Tropical Environments and the Centers for Molecular Medicine are members of the ICB&DD.

Major Program Project and National Center for Research Resources Grants from the National Institutes of Health are being sought. Strong support from the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries is also expected.

Development funds to help launch the ICB&DD have come from the Vice Presidents for Academic Affairs, Research, and Health Sciences. The New York State Office of Science, Technology, and Academic Research also contributed substantially through a Faculty Development Award grant for Professor Ojima.

More information about the ICB&DD can be found at its Web site: www.stonybrook.edu/icbdd/.

### A Festival of New **Italian Film**

### November 13 and 14

The Center for Italian Studies at Stony Brook University and New Italian Cinema Events, New York, present a Festival of Italian Cinema at the Charles B. Wang Center Theatre on November 13 and 14. Selected by a jury of international film critics, four short films and four feature-length films offer a broad range of cinematic styles.

All films are in Italian with English subtitles and are presented by the filmmakers. A question-andanswer session follows each screening. In addition, on Sunday, November 14, at 3:00 p.m., there will be a forum on independent filmmaking in Italy and the United States, followed by refreshments.

### November 13, 6:00 p.m.

Due PM: Calma Piatta (Two PM: Dead Calm); Andata E Ritorno (Round Trip)

November 13, 8:00 p.m. Maria Jesus; Fate Come Noi (Just Do It)

November 14, 6:00 p.m.

L'uomo Piu Buono Del Mondo (The Kindest Man in the World); L'amore di Marja (Marja's Love)

November 14, 8:00 p.m. Not on the Programme; Fame Chimica (Chemical Hunger)

Events are free and open to the public. The Festival is co-funded by the Town of Brookhaven and the Suffolk County Film Commission, Office of Cultural Affairs.

For information, call the Center for Italian Studies at 632-7444, or email gbalducci@notes.cc.sunysb.edu.

### **Hospital/School of Medicine Gala for Cancer Services**

Saturday, November 6, at the Charles B. Wang Center

ormer U.S. Senator Alfonse M. D'Amato and newspaper publisher Gardner "Pat" Cowles III will be honored by Stony Brook University's School of Medicine and University Hospital at the "Celebrate Excellence" Gala. The event will benefit cancer services and programs at Stony Brook.

Senator D'Amato will receive the 2004 Advocate Award to commemorate his 18 years in the U.S. Senate, specifically his efforts to raise awareness of, and secure funding for, breast cancer research, including \$2 million that was used to establish the Long Island Cancer Center (LICC) at Stony Brook. Cowles will receive the 2004 Patron Award for his support of the School of Medicine and the LICC.

"Senator D'Amato and Pat Cowles are leaders in providing support for the School of Medicine and the Long Island Cancer Center," said Norman H. Edelman, M.D., Vice President of the Health Sciences Center and Dean of the School of Medicine, and Bruce Schroffel, Director and CEO of Stony Brook University Hospital. "Their vision has helped improve healthcare for the people of Long Island, the region, and the state.'

The LICC's mission is to better understand the causes of cancer to prevent the disease and provide more effective treatments that lead to cures. It has recruited numerous cancer specialists in areas such as surgical oncology, gynecological cancers, and bone marrow transplantation. A Blood and Marrow Stem Cell Transplant Program was launched in 2003, and this year the program expanded with the opening of Suffolk County's first bone marrow transplant unit. Existing clinical programs continue to treat hundreds of patients each year. The LICC is building a new Ambulatory Care Pavilion, to be completed in 2006. This new facility will house the LICC and its outpatient services.

The LICC also fosters cutting-edge research conducted by internationally recognized scientists. Collectively, their research aims at finding early diagnostic tools and preventive methods for breast, pancreatic, colorectal, and ovarian cancers. The LICC has also embarked on a long-term database project, which involves the collection of blood and cancer tissue samples of breast, ovarian, and prostate cancer patients and controls. Data collected on these samples are available for researchers to test their hypotheses on inborn and environmental causes of these cancers.

### Sawicka Wins Collegiate **Inventors Competition**

Urea Biosensing Material Could Benefit Renal Failure Patients

magine meeting Nobel Prize winner Paul Lauterbur, a former Stony Brook University inventor who revolutionized medicine with Magnetic Resonance Imaging, better known as the MRI. This dream came true for Stony Brook student Katarzyna (Kasia) Sawicka. The fiveyear Chemistry major in pursuit of her master's degree, who conducts



Sawicka with electrospinning equipment.

her research in the Materials Science and Engineering Department, got involved in the development of biosensors that utilize enzymes.

Her research landed her an invitation to attend the National Inventors Hall of Fame Collegiate Inventors Competition on October 2 in Akron, Ohio, where she was one of five undergraduate finalists nationwide. Sawicka received a \$1,000 prize for being selected among the five finalists in the undergraduate category.

The entries are judged on originality and inventiveness of the idea, process, or technology, and are evaluated by a committee of judges comprised of mathematicians, engineers, biologists, chemists, environmentalists, physicists, computer specialists, and members of the medical profession.

Working with Dr. Pelagia-Irene Gouma and Dr. Sanford Simon from the Departments of Biochemistry and Pathology, Sawicka created a urea biosensing material. Abnormal urea levels in a diagnostic blood test can signal a decrease in kidney function, hemorrhaging, limited cardiac output, obstruction in urine outflow, or even muscle wasting due to starvation. Dr. Gouma accompanied her to the ceremony.

"The reason I think my biosensor is so important is that it can put that knowledge directly in the hands of patients, who may someday be able to utilize it in a home test. I imagine one day we could have a personal portable system like the glucose sensors available currently."

For Sawicka, another highlight of the trip was meeting the renowned scientist Dr. Darrell Reneker, who re-introduced electrospinning into the world of nanotechnology. Electrospinning is a materials synthesis technique used to create polymer and composite nanofibers.

"Kasia had the talent and motivation to synthesize advanced materials using electrospinning," Dr. Gouma said, "for applications that will improve human health and welfare. Hopefully, she will inspire other students to be engaged in materials science and engineering and to invent materials that are important in medical applications, disease control, and therapy."

"It really boosted me and gave me a lot of confidence. It will take me a long way. I don't think I am done." Her dream is to someday join the likes of Dr. Lauterbur and Dr. Reneker and be inducted into the hall of fame.

The National Science Foundation's funding supported Dr. Gouma's research on nanobio-composite materials that resulted in Sawicka's invention.

### Forum on the Draft

#### Thursday, November 11 4:00 p.m.

Student Activities Center Ballroom A

#### Speakers: Anita Cole

Center on Conscience and War Cole, a draft counselor, was honorably discharged from the Army in 2001 as a Conscientious Objector

#### **Professor Michael Foley**

Professor of History, City University of New York Author of Confronting the War Machine: Draft Resistance During the Vietnam War

#### Jacob Levich

Co-Founder, People Against the Draft, Manager of Stony Brook **University Web Content** 

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Sociology Department, Stony Brook University Director of the College of Global Studies, Stony Brook University

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# **HOT TOPICS**

### Don't Bet the Farm

"Strategies for the Preservation of Long Island's Family Farms"

Wednesday, November 17 4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

Frank Turano Associate Professor Stony Brook University

Refreshments will be served.

Frank Melville Jr. Memorial Library Javits Room To reserve, contact Pat Cruso at Patricia. Cruso@stonvbrook.edu or call 632-4309.

Presented by Stony Brook University and Friends of the Library.

### **Lunchtime Learning**

November 10

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) continues its informative Lunchtime Learning program during the month of November. To register, call EAP at 632-6085. Please feel free to bring your lunch.

On Wednesday, November 10, guest speaker Alan Berkowitz, Assistant Attorney General for the State of New York, will be speaking on "Identity Theft—Tips for Protecting Your Privacy." This program will be presented in the Student Activities Center, Room 311, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

## SB Child Care Book/Toy Fair

A Scholastic Book/Discovery
Toy Fair will be held at Stony
Brook Child Care Services on
Tuesday, November 9, and
Thursday, November 11, from
12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 4:00
p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Encourage
your children to read while
raising funds for campus child
care. For more information, call
the Center at 632-6930.

### Sahaja Yoga Meditation Offered

Students, faculty, and staff can experience the many benefits of Sahaja Yoga meditation right here on campus. Learn how to reduce anxiety and stress while improving concentration and creativity; nourish and rejuvenate each and every cell of your body with subtle cool cosmic vibrations; and access a subtle form of energy, Kundalini, through effortless and natural techniques to bring balance and health to your mind, body, and emotions. The Sahaja Yoga Meditation Club is free, open to all, and meets every Tuesday from 7:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. in SAC, room 312. For more information, e-mail sbsyoga@hotmail.com.



### **Upcoming Events**

Korean Film Series

All showings 7:00 p.m. in the Wang Theatre. Co-sponsored with the Korea Studies Program and Asian and Asian American Studies Department. Admission is free. For more details, visit the Web site below.

Thursday, November 4: Ogu: A Hilarious Mourning

Thursday, November 11: *Jeobsog: The Contact* Wednesday, November 17: *Christmas in August* 

### Menon Dwarka on Music

Tuesday, November 9, 7:00 p.m., Lecture Hall 1. Young dynamic composer Menon Dwarka draws from his composition for the Department of Music's Premieres Series to elucidate on the melding of both Indian and

Western themes, techniques, and styles. Co-sponsored with the Department of Music.

#### Our Debt to Chinese Gardeners

November 11, 3:00 p.m., Lecture Hall 1. An engaging lecture by Mr. Peter Valder, noted specialist on Chinese garden plants and curator of the Chinese Scholar's Garden in Staten Island, on the efflorescence of Chinese garden plants in the global landscape.

The Adventures of the Monkey King: A Beijing Opera

Thursday, November 18, 8:00 p.m., Wang Theatre. Blending singing and dialogue, acrobatic tumbling, kung-fu fighting, sparkling costumes and bright stylized masks, this action-packed performance by the International Monkey King Troupe stars its director Ghaffar Pourazar, the leading exponent of this marvelous theatrical art-form in the West. The International Monkey King Troupe is trained at the National Academy of Beijing Opera in China. Produced by the Cornell East Asia Program. Students with ID free; \$15 general admission.

For a complete listing of Wang events, visit www.stonybrook.edu/wang.

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For more information, please call 632-WOLF or visit www.goseawolves.org.

### **Upcoming Home Events**

Friday, November 12 Volleyball vs. Hartford, 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 13 Football vs. Iona, 4:00 p.m. Volleyball vs. Northeastern, 7:00 p.m.

## **Get Your Textbook Orders in Early**

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### CALENDAR NOVEMBER 3 - DECEMBER 19

### ART/MUSIC/THEATRE

11/14, Sunday. Aquila Theatre Company: Twelfth Night. With a cast of superb performers, an original musical score, and innovative design, the company's performance of the Shakespeare comedy should not be missed. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 7:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$30.

11/17, Wednesday. Music on an Autumn Night. The greatest of all chamber music masterpieces will be performed by a group of award-winning artists, all of whom are faculty members. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$30.

11/20, Saturday. Virsky Ukrainian National Dance Company. The renowned ensemble represents the charm of Ukrainian folk dancing. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$34.

11/21, Sunday. Smythe and Saucier: Circo Comedia. This comedy circus of two from Montreal presents a combination of circus, theatre, and vaudeville for all ages. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 3:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$9.

12/2, Thursday. Emerson String Quartet. The second concert of the season includes the music of Beethoven. For tickets, call 632-ARTS. 8:00 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. Tickets: \$34.

12/4, Saturday. Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra. For information, call 632-7330.

12/5, Sunday. John Pizzarelli Trio with Ray Kennedy and Martin Pizzarelli. Enjoy an evening of jazz, pop, and Broadway with Pizzarelli's cool, offhand style. For more information, call 632-ARTS. 7:00 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center. Tickets: \$38.

12/11, Saturday and 12/12, Sunday. The Nutcracker. The annual performance is presented by the Seiskaya Ballet. For more information, call the Ballet at 862-6925.

12/18, Saturday and 12/19, Sunday. The Nutcracker. The annual performance is presented by the Seiskaya Ballet. For more information, call the Ballet at 862-6925.

### SEMINARS/LECTURES

11/4, Thursday. Biochemistry and Cell Biology Seminar. Dr. Andrew Jackson, University of California, Berkeley, discusses "Multiple Interactions Conditioning Movement and Pathogenicity of a Plant RNA Virus." 4:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

11/4, Thursday. Biochemistry and Cell Biology Seminar. Dr. Karen Fleming, Johns Hopkins University, discusses "Membrane Protein Interactions: Thermodynamics and the Role of Sequence Motifs." 4:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

11/18, Thursday. Center for Italian Studies Lecture. Author Emilia Sarogni discusses her book, *La Donna Italiana*. For more information, call 632-7444. 2:30 p.m. Javits Center, Melville Library.

11/18, Thursday. Humanities Institute

Lecture. Marci Lobel, Psychology

Department, gives a talk as part of the Feminist Campus Colloquium (title to be announced). For more information, call 632-7765. 4:30 p.m. E-4340 Melville Library.

11/18, Thursday. Biochemistry and Cell Biology Seminar. Dr. Brendan Cormack, Johns Hopkins University, discusses "Chromatin and Adherence in the Yeast Pathogen Candida Glabrata." 4:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

11/19, Friday. Center for Italian Studies Presentation. Author Emilia Sarogni discusses the biography, *Salvatore Morelli: L'Italia e la Donna*. For more information, call 632-7444. 6:00 p.m. Stony Brook Manhattan.

11/19, Friday. Geology Open Night. Richard J. Reeder, Department of Geosciences, discusses "The Fate of Radionuclides in Underground Storage Facilities." For more information, call 632-8200. 7:30 p.m. Room 001, ESS Building.

12/2, Thursday. Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar. Dr. Patrizia Casaccia, Rutgers University, discusses "Histone Deacetylases in Oligodendrocyte Development and in Disease States." 12:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

12/2, Thursday. Center for Italian Studies Lecture. Hermann Haller, Queens College, discusses "Italy's Dialects Around the Globe, Past and Present." For more information, call 632-7444. 2:30 p.m. Javits Center, Melville Library.

12/2, Thursday. Biochemistry and Cell Biology Seminar. Dr. Eric L. Barker,

Purdue University School of Pharmacy, discusses "The 'Ins and Outs' of Endogenous Cannabinoids." 4:00 p.m. Room 038, Life Sciences.

**12/2, Thursday. Humanities Institute Lecture.** Martha Mockus, Women's Studies, gives a talk as part of the Feminist Campus Colloquium (title to be announced). For more information, call 632-7765. 4:30 p.m. E-4340 Melville Library.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

11/13, Saturday, and 11/14, Sunday. Festival of New Italian Cinema. Four short films and four feature-length films will be presented. Screenings are at 6:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m. For more information, call 632-7444. Wang Center Theatre.



Tickets: \$6 general; \$5 students, seniors, and children 12 and under. For tickets and information, call 632-ARTS.

Saturday, November 13. Broken Wings. An aching domestic drama about an Israeli family shattered by the recent death of the head of the household. In Hebrew with subtitles, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 13. Spiderman 2. Peter Parker is juggling the delicate balance of his dual life as a college student and a superhuman crime fighter in the sequel. 9:00 p.m.