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Milven Shroff, right, and Krishna Patel, left, kiss during Holi, the Hindu festival of colors, on Sunday in Mendelsohn Quad pit. At the event, hosted by the SBU Hindu Students Council, students wore white and threw colorful powder at one another to celebrate.

Senate passes 2016-2017 budget proposal

By Michael Kohut Staff Writer

The Undergraduate Student Government Senate passed its budget proposal for the 2016-2017 academic year at Thursday's senate meeting.

The total amount of money allocated toward clubs with line budget status increased by about \$6,800.

The chair of the Elections Board, Sydney G. Bryan, took the floor once the meeting was called to order to address the recent issues with USG elections, including the voting postponement.

"The person responsible for submitting the ballot on time had failed to do so," she said, explaining why the voting period was moved from April 11-15 to April 18-22.

Since then, the Elections Board has issued numerous warnings to parties participating in the election to ensure that they follow the proper protocol. The board has disqualified one candidate through an internal vote and Google poll.

The email chains regarding the disqualification will likely not be released until after the election, Bryan said.

'The information isn't necessary,"

she continued when questioned about the emails by a senator who said that disclosure would be valuable for transparency.

Treasurer Taylor Bouraad then took the floor to explain the budget proposal for the upcoming academic year. Notable changes include a cut in the Special Projects Contingency Fund from \$10,000 to \$5,000 to make room for more club spending, a \$42,400 increase in administration costs and a \$4,600 increase Faculty Student Association

management costs.

All clubs and organizations with line budget status submitted a budget proposal this year, but 14.85 percent of clubs saw a decrease in funding.

The budget passed 20-0-0 in a unanimous vote 31 minutes into the meeting.

"The budget goes through multiple checks before it gets to this point by the treasurer and four assistants," Sen. Jan Jaminal said. "This whole thing was largely a formality."



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USG Treasurer Taylor Bouraad, above, reads through the budget proposal before the senate unanimously passed it.

Reports reveal salmonella investigation in dining halls

By Sara Tewksbury Contributing Writer

A Stony Brook student fell ill with a confirmed case of salmonella last fall, prompting the Suffolk County Department of Health to conduct an illness investigation on Dec. 4, 2015 that focused on two restaurants, Jasmine and West Side Dining.

University staff responsible for food safety have claimed to know nothing about the salmonella case, even though details of the investigation are available in publicly available inspection reports maintained at the eateries.

The unidentified student fell ill in September and was diagnosed with salmonellosis by a physician and confirmed by lab results, according to the report, which does not identify the lab. It was reported to the county as required by the state sanitary code.

Although there was no clear evidence of which meal caused the student to become sick, she

was interviewed by a public health nurse and reported eating tuna sushi from Jasmine three or four times a week prior to the illness, and she also ate frequently at West Side Dining, according to the reports.

A Suffolk County Department of Health spokesperson declined to provide further details about the student or her illness, citing medical confidentiality laws.

When asked about the salmonella case, a university spokesperson referred all questions to the Faculty Student Association, also known as FSA, which is responsible for Campus Dining Services.

"Campus Dining has not received any notifications from any patron or the Suffolk County Department of Health regarding an alleged salmonella case at Jasmine," FSA spokeswoman Angela Agnello said.

George Anderson, the new campus dining sanitarian for the

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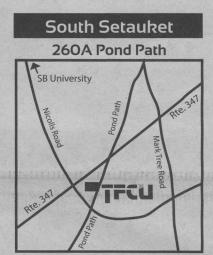
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NEWS

Study finds that shark scales increase drag

By Ruchi Shah Staff Writer

Sharks are typically considered to be aerodynamic creatures with specially designed skin that allows them to glide through the water with speed and precision, but a new study found that the denticles, or scales, on shark skin can actually increase drag.

A team led by Fotis Sotiropoulos, Ph.D., dean of the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences at Stony Brook University, in collaboration with the University of Minnesota used computer modeling to visualize how water flows around the sheets of denticles found on shark skin.

In order to do the computer modeling, Sotiropoulos and his team created different arrangements of shark skin by using data from a collaborator at Harvard on the three-dimensional geometry of the denticles on shortfin mako sharks.

They then applied simulations in order to more precisely study the flow of water through and over the beds of denticles.

Instead of allowing sharks to easily move through the water, the specific arrangement of denticles can increase drag by

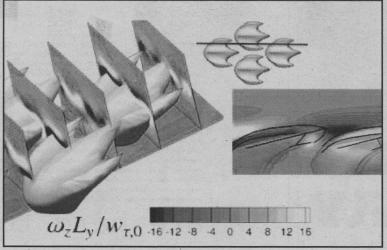


PHOTO CREDIT: AARON BOOMSMA AND FOTIS SOTTROPOULOS/UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA Computer modeling shows how water flows around the sheets of denticles found on shark skin, creating drag.

the simulation.

This effect could be due the complex three-dimensional structure of denticles, which alters viscous stress and the flow patterns

"Our work is also a great example of the power of computer simulations, which today have advanced to the point that they can be used as a tool of scientific discovery," Sotiropoulos said.

On the other hand, riblets, engineered for commercial use to mimic the structure of denticles, reduced drag by 5 percent.

Companies have used riblets for drag-resistant swimsuits, up to 50 percent, according to aerodynamic airplane wings and

improved wind turbine blades to harness energy.

"This is a great example where a bio-inspired engineering solution, that of riblets, turned out to work much better than that of the natural shark skin which motivated its development," Sotiropoulos said.

In the future, Sotiropoulos said the team plans to further "develop the computational model to account for the flexibility of the shark body." He also said they intend to investigate how shark skin performs during swimming to better understand the drag and pressure forces that occur as sharks move through

Police Blotter

On Saturday, March 26 at 4:06 p.m., an unknown male was allegedly trying to break into vehicles in the South P Lot. The individual was gone when police arrived. The case remains open.

On Wednesday, March 30 at 9 p.m., an unknown individual allegedly took items from an office in the Indoor Sports Complex. The case remains open.

On Friday, April 1 at 7:48 p.m., 2 men allegedly accosted a cafeteria employee at the Marketplace Café on level 5 of University Hospital. Police arrested the two men.

On Tuesday, April 5 at 6:40 a.m., police responded to a call of an alleged assault with a scanner at University Hospital. The victim declined to prosecute. The case is now closed.

On Wednesday, April 6 at 6:32 p.m., police arrested two male subjects for allegedly attempting to break into a vehicle on Gym Road.

On Sunday, April 10 at 12:35 a.m., police arrested an individual in Toscanini College who allegedly left a threatening voicemail claiming to be a Suffolk County Police Department officer and said that men with guns were on their way.

On Sunday, April 10 at 3:29, an unknown individual allegedly stole a bike from Staller Center. The case remains open.

On Sunday, April 10 at 11:46 p.m., police arrested an individual in Irving College for allegedly making harassing phone calls to his ex- girlfriend.

Compiled by Brittany Bernstein

Inspectors find Jasmine in violation of new temperature control rules

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university, also claimed to know nothing about the investigation.

Anderson was hired in January, a month after the investigation.

"To be honest with you, I'm not aware of it either," he said.

The county sanitary code requires that all food establishments retain a copy of their last inspection on the premises and make it available to any patron upon request.

Bill Egan, who has been a restaurant manager at Jasmine since last August, said he was unaware of the December salmonella investigation, which is described on page 3 of the inspection report.

Egan said that another manager must have been on duty on the day of the inspection.

Salmonella is a bacteria that affects approximately 1.2 million Americans a year, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Although it is most commonly found on undercooked meat, it can also be found on fruits and vegetables.

Symptoms of salmonella generally include fever, diarrhea and abdominal cramps that last about a week. In serious cases, salmonella can be fatal.

West Side Dining was inspected on the same day as Jasmine, but the report stated that the inspection "did not reveal any food holding or temperature violations."

The inspection found that West Side Dining was generally following health department guidelines for food safety.

While inspectors found few problems at West Side Dining, but they found five "critical" violations at Jasmine.

These violations are more likely to be associated with food-

The inspectors found that tuna scrape, which is tuna scraped off the tuna skeleton and commonly used in some sushi rolls, and ground tuna were measured as existing at a slightly elevated temperature — about 7 degrees higher than required

The inspection report also found that a few sushi items were not being held at the right temperature and had the restaurant discard them.

Twelve individual meal packages of assorted sushi rolls were also discarded because they were at too high a temperature.

Under new rules in place at Jasmine, some potentially hazardous foods can be kept without temperature controls as long as strict time limits and guidelines are met.

But inspectors found the new rules were not being followed "in that products are either missing timing indicator or are still noted on shelf past time expiration."

One of Jasmine's 50 employees called in sick during the



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At Jasmine last December, inspectors found five violations including refrigeration temperatures that were too high. They threw away 12 potentially hazardous sushi packages.

time period in question, but the reason for her illness was not documented.

The inspection report states that the manager was directed to contact the employee to obtain the reason for the illness.

The university did not make students aware that there was a confirmed case of salmonella on campus.

been any food-borne illness out-

breaks on campus since he arrived a month after the Jasmine investigation, but he said that if there were in the future, the university would notify students.

If only one case is confirmed, it does not need to be reported, Grace Kelly-McGovern, a spokeswoman for the Suffolk County Department of Health, said.

"If it is not a cluster of Anderson said there have not cases, we can't link it to any dining establishment,"

Kelly-McGovern said.

When asked, some students said they thought the university should have told them about the case, but that it might not change where they go to grab

Bradley Amazan, a senior health science major, said knowing about the salmonella case might affect "maybe what you eat but not where you eat, because you eat where you have the most convenience."

Room selection incites mixed feelings from students on social media

By Chereen James Staff Writer

Many students at Stony Brook University focused their conversations on room selection for the upcoming academic year in the days leading up to March 28, the first day of room selection. From the new Toll Drive buildings to requests for roommates and suitemates, social media buzzed with anticipation for the upcoming process.

There was a sense of urgency in the days before the process began. Estrella Santana, a student employee and senior psychology major, said that she and her colleagues had to take a late break at work to ensure their desired room was secured at the allotted

"I had to wait a whole week to select a single in my quad," Santana said. "And the room I wanted ended up being taken, due to me having to wait that long."

The new room selection process is based on a lottery. Students with higher class standing received prior-

ity when selecting a space, followed by groups that completely filled a room, suite or apartment, then students who were returning to their building and quad.

"It was hectic," Austin Barney, a sophomore mathematics student, said, referring to the rush that came with finding people to fill spaces in order to get priority.

The online housing system, StarRez, provided residents with a roommate search tool to help with the process of filling up suites, apartments and rooms. But some students went further and used Facebook to find a roommate.

The new process was designed to make it fair to students whose rooms were on hold for new residents so that they could still return to their building. Associate Director of Residential Programs Alan deVries said that while the former selection process offered priority to return to the same room, in practice, 40 percent of all residents did not have the opportunity to do so based on space holds for new students.

In terms of any future changes to



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With the new housing system, many students were forced to use social media to find roommates and fill suites in buildings like Yang Hall, above, and others campus.

the room selection process, deVries said that campus residences will use this year's feedback to implement any improvements.

"We will evaluate the Room Selection process once it is fully over, later this month," he said. "That is where we will assess feedback about the process. Any changes we introduce to the Room Selection process for future years will be the result of that evaluation."

Semester at Sea: An island-nation's struggle reflects wider problem

By Paula Pecorella Contributing Writer

Over 500 students representing universities across the globe set sail on the MV World Odyssey this January for the Spring 2016 Semester at Sea program. Their floating campus will take them around the world to 15 cities in 11 different countries in just over 100 days. Among these world travelers is Paula Pecorella of Stony Brook University, who will serve as a correspondent for The Statesman this semester.

The world is currently on track to have more plastic than fish by weight in its oceans by 2050, according to a study published by the World Economic Forum. The same report stated that humans are dumping the equivalent of one garbage truck's worth into the ocean per minute, adding to the estimated 165 million tons already in

In other words, the oceans are in big trouble. But humans are not powerless to stop it and many organizations, including the World Economic Forum, have started initiatives to tackle what parts of this problem they can.

Developed and led by young people ambitious to positively impact society, Global Shapers was established in 2010 and has since grown into a network of 450 hubs

worldwide. The World Economic Forum backed Global Shapers in part because, with more than 50 percent of the world's population under the age of 27, the voice of youth is increasingly more relevant to their commitment to improving the state of the world, according the World Economic Forum's website.

"The whole goal of Global Shapers community is improving the state of the world by impacting locally," Karuna Rana, curator for the Mauritius hub, said. Rana explained that the goals for each of the hubs vary based on the local area's needs. "In Mauritius, we are surrounded by our beautiful oceans, so a lot of our focus is on oceans,"

Just last month, a group of students traveling with Semester at Sea teamed up with Global Shapers to clean up a local beach.

The private beach on Mauritius, an island that lies just off the coast of Africa, sat covered in plastic, styrofoam, paper and other waste before these young activists collectively gathered 55 pounds of trash and 77 pounds of recyclable material during their two-hour beach clean-up.

"A lot of the air we breathe comes from the ocean, and if the oceans are polluted, it destroys environments not only for animals but also for us



Semester at Sea students, above, pose for a photo. Last month, students teamed up with Global Shapers to clean a local beach on Mauritius, an island off the coast of Africa.

as well," 21-year-old Semester at Sea student and environmental activist Erin Kollar said, after participating in the clean up. "So when you have a bunch of trash left in the ocean, the water around that trash becomes toxified from all the degradation. Animals eat it because it looks colorful and exciting, but it's toxic and bad, and then people eat the fish, and it's just this huge cycle of issues that stem from the overproduction of disposable trash."

CNN Money reported earlier this year that nearly one-third of all plastic packaging escapes collecting systems, and of that, more than 8 million tons of plastics enter our oceans each year. For the plastic that does make it to the landfills, The Guardian reported that only about 5 percent of it is effectively recycled.

In its report, the World Economic Forum urges countries to develop the type of infrastructure necessary to effectively recycle the overwhelming amount of plastic waste the world is facing. In Mauritius, the Global Shapers hub has connected with Belle Verte, an environmental nonprofit organization that provides the facilities for beach clean-ups and home recycling incentives for locals.

"Here in Mauritius we don't have any sorting at home," Martine Lassemillante, the managing director of Belle Verte, said. "Everything is put in the same bin and goes to the same landfill, so we offer a home pickup recyclable plan."

She explained that once trash is collected, Belle Verte sorts recyclables from non-recyclables and sends each to a location with the necessary infrastructure for recycling it. Iron is melted and bottles are conditioned right there in Mauritius, while polyester fibers get shipped to South Africa, aluminum is compacted and shipped to either China or India, and glass is crushed and resold in the forms of concrete, art or deco-

When pressed about what happens to the trash when it arrives in the other countries, Lassemillante shrugged in defeat and said, "We are looking forward to working with someone here to research and develop the capacity of melting the aluminum here."

And while Belle Verte has put its foot in the right direction by providing recycling facilities for the people on this small island nation, it is reflective of a much larger problem that the Earth is facing. Wealthier nations shift garbage around to countries that are willing to take it for a price, such as China and India, where it will remain in landfills or simply end up back in the oceans.

Researchers at Yale University estimated that the average American produces approximately 1,871 pounds of garbage each year, according to a study published in the journal Nature Climate Change. Packaged foods, plastic bags, and disposable water bottles are just a few of the most common plastic products piling up in landfills and in the oceans.

But could the answer to this widespread trash problem sweeping the planet really be as easy as just consuming less stuff?

As the Shapers would put it, start locally and you will affect globally.



Semester at Sea student Erin Kollar, above, helped pick up over 120 pounds of trash and recyclable material.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Cash Cash and Future made spring concert a hit among Seawolves at Brookfest

By Jessica Carnabuci and Rena Thomas

Arts & Entertainment Editors

The Undergraduate Student Government's annual Brookfest concert rocked Stony Brook University with performances by Cash Cash and Future. The concert was held in Island Federal Credit Union Arena on Wednesday, April 13 and was a success among students.

This year's concert was highly anticipated and, according to the Facebook event page, sold out. Students tried to buy tickets off of each other in the weeks leading up to the concert to get a chance to go.

"This is great," Dan Comber, a freshman mechanical engineering major, said. "I've never seen so many people out from Stony Brook."

Student artist Justin Starling, otherwise known as JUS, opened the show and got the crowd ready for Cash Cash.

"I think the performance went well," Starling said. "I saw some students in the crowd who had a really good time and kept my energy high while I was on stage."

JUS preformed some of his original songs, a number of remixes and an unreleased song titlted "I Like the Sound of it."The student artist was accompanied by DJ Slim and a band named Nice Shot, Kid.

"I usually perform solo, so this show's preparation was different since I had to meet with the band and DJ for rehearsal," Starling said.

JUS received positive reactions from the crowd and got them ready for the highly anticipated acts that followed him.

"I went last year but this is the first year we sold out all the tickets," Angelica Husni, the USG sophomore class senator, said. "This is the first year that you heard people complaining that they didn't get a ticket, so it's nice to see the community come together like this."

Cash Cash performed a mix of their hit songs, including "Take Me Home." They sprayed the crowd with water during their performance and got the audience riled up with their electronic dance music.

"This concert went very smooth," Brody Hooper, the USG vice president of communications and public relations for USG, said. "The sound was great and reached parts of the arena that people were complaining didn't have sound last time. It was instantly gratifying to see all of our hard work come alive."

"There were a few hiccups mostly between USG and security," Hooper added, referring to the issues with letting student media into the pit.

"The only unplanned events were some demands by Future that were not in his original contract. We worked around them and made them happy," he said.

The concert also featured its own geofilters that were available on Snapchat for students to use if they took a picture at the event.

"Cash Cash asked me about them, as they even used them on



Future, above, collectively calls his work "astronaut music," which he says means that his music is so far advanced, that it will take a while for other muscians to catch up.

their story," Hooper said.

Students really enjoyed the concert, including Jayquel Williams, a junior health science major, who said he tries to go to all of the concerts held by USG.

"Every single year, every single semester, I love it," Williams said. I came out to Childish [Gambino] and it was so lit, so I just come every time."

After a brief intermission, Futture took the stage to close out

The Atlanta-based hip-hop artist preformed many of his hits, including "Jumpman," "Move that name my kid Future," Kojo

Dope," "Diamonds Dancing" and "Purple Reign."

"My ears are still ringing from the deafening cheers from last night," Cole Lee, the president of USG, said.

Future performed his songs with the crowd of Stony Brook students dancing and singing along. At one point, he even got off the stage and went up to the front of the floor section during one of his performances.

Students had a great response to the concert overall.

"I love Future, I'm going to

Tabiri, a junior psychology major, said.

The night came to a close as

"Seeing people line up since 2 p.m., watching the sold-out arena fill in and then looking around at the expressions of joy and excitement on everyone's faces — that is what Brookfest is all about," Lee said.

"It's a night that students look forward to," Lee added, "where we set aside whatever we're going through for just a few hours to come together and forge memories that will last us a lifetime."

monymous student street artist makes waves on campus

By Brittany Bernstein Staff Writer

A young, new street artist is making a splash on campus at Stony Brook University.

You may have seen @icnochanges' designs in various places around campus, like outside of Melville Library or at the Express Bus Stop. @icnochanges is a senior at Stony Brook University who, in the interest of anonymity, did not want to be named. He uses spray paint and anything else he can get his hands on to create the art he has been posting around campus.

He revealed that he is not an arts major.

He said he has always liked art but only recently got into street art a few months ago.

His "@icnochangtag es" was inspired by the Tupac song "Changes."

"A line in the song is 'I see no changes...' So I simplified it: i c no changes. The song has a great message itself and is very emotional talking about war on drugs instead of war on poverty, wanting fame and money rather than helping people,"

Though observers of @icnochanges' work may read into his pieces, he says there is no specific message in his work.

"Everyone will see something differently and interpret it in their own way. So in general there is no specific message, just to appreciate what is around you and always try to make someone's day better, the campus better, the world better,"

"I'm not trying to change the world, I just want more good people and for those people to know they are being recognized," he added.

@icnochanges said he has also been influenced by popular street artist Banksy, and that some might even think he is copying Banksy, but he doesn't feel he will ever "be on his level or even near it."

His favorite piece of his own work?

The father and son duo that he displayed on the side of Melville Library, because of the emotion he feels when he considers the possibilities of how others may interpret the pair. @icnochang-



@icnochanges' street art is reminiscent of the notorious artist Banksy. Banksy is well known for his painting and exhibits and has completed comissioned work for Bono.

es says he will feel satisfied if the painting causes one person to think about their parents or to think about being a good parent to their own child.

"A simple piece of paper can cause someone to think on such a deep level. That is what is interesting about art to me," he said.

"A picture is worth a thousand

words. And if those thousand words can impact someone's life, whether it is life changing or it simply causes a smile, I thrive off that."

A modern take on Shakespeare's "As You Like It"

By Katarina Delgado Staff Writer

William Shakespeare's romantic comedy "As You Like It" is adapted for modern audiences in Stony Brook University's Department of Theatre Arts performance running April 7 to April 17 at the Staller

"It'll be quite noticeably different than other Shakespeare you've seen because you'll notice some modern pop songs in the middle of it and some phones and text messages," Liam Wallace, who plays Orlando, a love interest in the play, said.

The play is a five-act story that is the origin of well-known phrases like "All the world's a stage" and "Too much of a good thing."

It takes place in France and follows a young woman named Rosalind after her father, Duke Senior, is usurped by his brother.

Director John Lutterbie and Shakespearean scholar Amy Cook altered the 400-yearold play to include more modern twists.

"The music isn't accessible to student audiences, so if we were to do some sort of Renaissance music, it wouldn't do anything for them," Lutterbie said. "We've added what we call 'karaoke' tunes, so

we use contemporary songs that we have interspersed in the play in place of songs that Shakespeare had and a couple places where Shakespeare did not imagine them happening."

'Viva la Vida" by Coldplay and "Counting Stars" by OneRepublic are a couple of these modern "karaoke" songs Lutterbie chose to include in his adaptation.

In the original version of the play, Orlando writes poems and hangs them on the trees of the Forest of Arden where the young Rosalind is in hiding.

We decided, again to update this for contemporary audiences, to change the writing of poems on paper that were hung on trees to doing it as tweets," Lutterbie said. "So we have a lot of gags, if you will, where people are referencing their phones for different things in a way that Shakespeare obviously wouldn't have known about."

The modern changes were made to make the play more accessible to its mostly student audience, according to Lutterbie.

"I liked the way they modernized it in terms of attitude and clothes, like transplanting it basically into any setting," Natalie Christensen, a freshman psychology major at Stony Brook, said. "That was an interesting choice to



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The cast of "As You Like It," above, poses for a picture. The cast adapted the classic comedy by Shakespeare into a modern show by including phones, tweets and pop songs.

just not leave it like what the original period was."

Though the play includes modern songs and even a clip from a UFC fight, most of Shakespeare's original words were left alone except to condense the play.

'The text is the same but the style of the play using that text is completely modern," Christopher Johnson, who plays Oliver, said.

This means Shakespeare's original blank verse or poems with no rhyme that use iambic pentameter are maintained.

The archaic wording of Shakespeare's original text can be difficult to understand.

"It's almost like it's in another language," Wallace said.

"I hope people won't be intimidated by the thought of the language," Wallace added. "If the actors know what they're saying, the language is actually very delightful and lively and funny."

ARTSY EVENTS



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

A Night of Stand Up Comedy: Trevor Noah

On Friday, April 29 at 8 p.m., comedian and host of "The Daily Show" will perform at Island Federal Credit Union Arena. The event is put on by the Undergraduate Student Government and the Graduate Student Organization. Stand tickets are still available.



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Art Crawl: A Guided Tour of Campus Galleries

Stony Brook is hosting The Art Crawl, a free event with guided tours of the various art galleries on campus.

These galleries showcase pieces from Stony Brook students, artists from around the globe and artists who work in the digital realm.

It will take place on Tuesday, April 21 and will begin at 3 p.m. at the Skylight Gallery in the Wang Center.

Wang Center Exhibitions

The Charles B. Wang Center is showcasing various exhibitions by Asian and Asian American artists. This event is free and open to

One of the featured artists is Sun K. Kwak, a New York-based Korean American artist. Shiva Ahmadi's "Spheres of Suspension" explores concepts of global issues in politics and religion. Webtoon: The Evolution of Korean Digital Comics organized by the Korean Cultural Service in New York is also part of the event that goes on until May 31.

Earthstock 2016

This weeklong free event starts on Tuesday, April 19. There will be events all over campus until the celebration in the academic mall on April 22 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Leading up to the festival, Earthstock will showcase a sustainability lecture and a climate change debate.

The culmination of Earthstock will feature environmental organizations and other local schools. Festival events include a rubber duck race, an ice cream social, a campus beautification initiative, a preserve walk, live performances and a farmer's market.

Shirley Strum Kenny Arts Festival

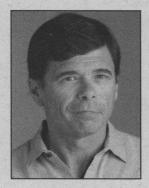
Shirley Strum Kenny Student Arts Festival will feature student's creative expression. It is meant to showcase the diversity of Stony Brook students. It is a month-long celebration to showcase artistic ability.

Events include Stars of Stony Brook Gala on Wednesday, April 20, the Art Crawl on Thursday, April 21 and the SSK Closing Ceremony on Monday, April 25

The event takes place in the Student Activities Center Ballroom A until April 25.

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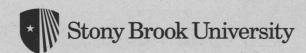
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Student Activities Center, Sidney Gelber Auditorium Stony Brook University

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Stony Brook students, faculty and staff can pick up tickets by showing their Campus Card at the SAC Box Office. The public can get tickets online at **sbujschool.eventbrite.com**.



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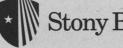
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THE DRUGS ISSUE

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Dan Scofield, above, is the namesake of Dan's Foundation, an organization that helps addicts. He died of a heroin overdose in 2011. Photo courtesy of Dori Scofield.

Dan's Foundation helps substance abusers overcome addiction

By Brittany Tesoriero Contributing Writer

Within its first five months, Dan's Foundation for Recovery, a assist those struggling with substance abuse, successfully guided 25 substance abusers into rehab through meetings for both addicts themselves and the parents of addicts.

The organization was founded in April of 2014. Over the course of the past two years, Dan's Foundation has raised money through public donations and corporate support in order to help those seeking assistance.

Dori Scofield created the organization three years after her son died from a heroin overdose. As the founder, Scofield's daily tasks range from speaking one-on-one with those struggling with addiction to providing money for copayments or plane tickets for trips to rehab facilities.

Aside from her work with an-

drugs and alcohol.

She has found that a major obstacle for those seeking recovery is the cost of treatment. Even some of the simplest expenses, such as copayments, can prove burdensome.

"It could be \$400 a month just for copays," Scofield said.

Scheduling appointments with outpatient centers can also be challenging and frustrating. Inpatient recovery commonly includes a 28day program, which is followed up with an outpatient program.

"When somebody says to me, 'I need to go to detox, I really want to get help,' that's when they need help," Scofield said. "Not an hour from now, not tomorrow, not when they have an appointment for intake. They need it now."

Dan's Foundation works with

imal rescue groups, running the The Recovery Team, a rehabilitafoundation is Scofield's full-time tion facility in West Palm Beach, occupation. She has recently Florida. The foundation sends been accredited by New York many recovering addicts there State as a recovery specialist in because it is often hard to get into rehabilitation facilities on Long Island on short notice.

> "I was getting declined from every place on Long Island because of insurance," a recovering addict who asked to remain anonymous in order to protect her job, said.

> She received help from Dan's Foundation to pay for a plane ticket to Florida.

> "I couldn't come up with \$200, \$300 to get on a plane," she said. "I was able to get on the flight and go down to Recovery Team, and I stayed there for three months."

> Currently, the foundation is sponsoring three young women going through outpatient treatment at the Long Island Center for Recovery in Hampton Bays. The foundation is helping with each woman's copayments, which range from \$100 to \$400 a month.

"They're trying to get a job," Scofield said. "They're trying to tion," said the anonymous womdo the right thing, but they can't do it all at once."

Another obstacle addicts enounter when reaching out for recovery is the stigma attached to addiction.

"I came from an affluent family in East Setauket, so what I viewed an addict as was not me, and then I became that person that I used to see in the movies," said the anonymous woman, who has been clean for two years and cites spirituality and a 12-step program as the means to her sobriety.

The fear that comes with being labeled a "user" can cause addicts to retreat further into their addiction. Because of this reason, it can be hard for those in need to reach out for help.

However, it is widely the case that many recovering drug addicts are not like those depicted in movies.

"There's lawyers, doctors, business owners, all kinds of people that have a problem with addican, who has a degree in marketing and finance. She has also held top positions in her field.

Currently, the biggest lenge for Dan's Foundation is fundraising. The organization hosts several events a year to be able to help those struggling with addiction. This summer, the foundation will host a golf outing to help with program costs.

On August 31, 2014, Dan's Foundation hosted the first International Overdose Awareness Day, and it continues the tradition every year. The event hosts guest speakers and features à candle lighting in memory of those who have overdosed.

If you or someone you know is struggling with addiction, contact Dan's Foundation at 631-946-0807 or send an email to info@dansfoundation.org.

"Sometimes it takes one person to make a difference," Sco-

Medical marijuana dispensaries, facing restrictions, take first steps on Long Island

Jakub Lewkowicz Anisah Abdullah Contributing Writers

Medical marijuana dispensaries in Riverhead and Lake Success set up shop early this year in light of the 2014 Compassionate Care Act, which made the drug prescribable in New York State on Jan. 7, 2016, after an 18-month implementation process.

However, the business is still subject to restrictions as it is gradually introduced to New York, the 23rd state to legalize medical marijuana.

As of April 5, 2016, 514 physicians are registered to prescribe the substance and 2,494 patients have been certified by their doctors to receive the drug, according to the New York State Department of Health.

To put that into perspective, there are currently 79,512 primary and specialist physicians in New York and only 0.6 percent have the keys to access medical marijuana.

The Lake Success dispensary is located in a large opaque building right off of Marcus Avenue, sharing offices with multiple other medical companies such as Quest Diagnostics and Premier Cardiology Consultants. No clear signs are present on the exterior of the building, and 12 people interviewed in a shopping plaza across the street said they were unaware of the nearby dispensary.

Dispensaries have a hard time advertising their services on the internet because Google is blocking medical marijuana advertisements in New York, according to an article in Albany Business Review.

The Riverhead dispensary building, which also has an unrevealing facade, is the only location in Suffolk County and is open by appointment only, according to its website. Columbia Care, the com-

pany that runs the dispensary, has locations in New York City, Plattsburgh and Rochester as well.

There are currently five organizations registered to manufacture and dispense medical marijuana products in the state with five facilities each, according to the state Department of Health. They are only allowed to sell liquid or oil preparations of marijuana.

The current set of regulations restricts public access to a list of certified physicians. They must contact their primary care physicians, who have access to a list for New York State.

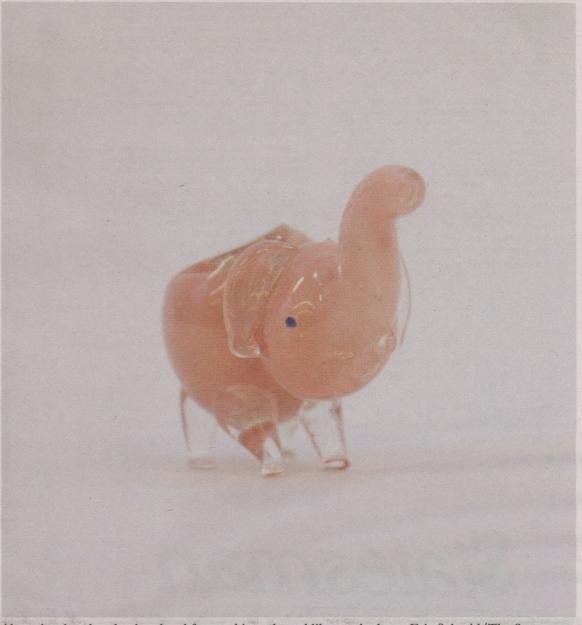
Dale Deutsch, a professor currently leading a Stony Brook research group that has conducted basic research regarding THC, said that in the country, most of the studies regarding medical marijuana have been informal studies conducted by clinics.

"The bottom line is they're not doing much research. Most of the time the only research is anecdotal," Deutsch said. "In California, they give a guy this marijuana and they may ask the patients how it affected them. That's the research."

The state medical marijuana program only covers 10 severe or life-threatening medical conditions, including cancer, HIV/ AIDS and epilepsy, which must also be accompanied by an associated or complicating condition, such as chronic pain or seizures, in order for a patient to be fully eligible, according to the state Department of Health.

Patients with Alzheimer's disease and post-traumatic stress disorder currently do not have access to medical marijuana in New York.

Other medical conditions that do not yet allow for medical marijuana treatment include traumatic brain injury, dystonia, muscular



Above is a handmade glass bowl for smoking, shaped like an elephant. Eric Schmid/The Statesman.

dystrophy, wasting syndrome, rheumatoid arthritis and lupus.

However, a bill introduced in both the Assembly and the Senate is set to fill that gap in the near future. Another bill adds severe chronic pain to the list of covered conditions instead of as an associated condition.

"It's a new program, [politicians] are very cautious and they are scared of their constituents," Deutsch said.

"The laws have more to do with politics than with the science," Matthew Elms, a biochemist who works with Dale Deutsch, said. "The science is pretty clear that there are definitely benefits."

"The plant might have other things beneficial," Deutsch said, explaining that the full potential of the plant is still very much unknown because the government doesn't allow funding of the research. He said that he is optimistic that they'll soon change their stance.

"Technically, it's harder to get marijuana than it is to get cocaine for research," Elms said, referring to the government's Schedule 1 drug status on cannabis. "In terms of medical marijuana, the pros far outway the cons."

Common myths about alcohol debunked

By Andrew Goldstein Staff Writer

Excessive drinking is responsi-States each year, including 1 in 10 deaths among adults aged 20-64, according to the Dietary Guidelines for Americans 2015-2020 from the Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion.

The dietary guidelines also showed that in 2006, the estimated economic cost to the United States related to excessive drinking was \$224 billion. The Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion found that binge drinking accounts for over half of the deaths due to excessive drinking and three-fourths of the economic costs. However, this does not have to be the case.

"Education and knowledge are power," Stephanie May, the registered dietitian and nutritionist at Stony Brook University's Campus Dining Services, said in an email. "Many young adults do not fully comprehend the impact their actions have on their bodies."

Moderate alcohol consumption is defined as up to one drink per day for women and two drinks per day for men, according to the Dietary Guidelines for Americans 2015-2020. The same guidelines define high-risk drinking as the consumption of four or more drinks per day or eight or more drinks per week for women and five or more drinks per day or 15 or more drinks per week for men.

The measurement of a "drink of alcohol" is defined as containing 14 grams of pure alcohol. Usually this means 12 fluid ounces of 5 percent alcohol beer, five fluid ounces of 12 percent alcohol wine, and 1.5 fluid ounces of 40 percent alcohol (80 proof) "distilled spirits."

A bottle of light beer (12 fluid ounces of 4.2 percent alcohol) would count as four-fifths of a

drink of alcohol, according to this definition.

Although scientists know some people still believe in ageold myths, including the idea that drinking a glass of wine with dinner will help you live longer.

On March 22, the Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs published a meta-analysis refuting previous studies that examined the benefits of alcohol. The meta-analysis stated that "a skeptical position is warranted in relation to the evidence that low-volume consumption is associated with net health benefits."

While a study can give people a picture of the scientific phenomenon, a meta-analysis offers many pictures that can be strung together for an even better understanding of the situation.

The analysis looked at 87 studies that researched the correlation between moderate alcohol consumption and reduced mortality risk.

Researchers found that many of the studies were flawed, specifically in the definition of "abmore about alcohol than ever, stainers." The moderate drinkers between alcohol choices, and can in these studies were compared to abstainers who had cut out alcohol due to poor health. This resulted in a faulty comparison.

> Once corrected for "abstainer biases" and other study issues, moderate drinkers no longer showed significant health advantages. The 13 studies that did not have "abstainer biases" also showed no health benefits to moderate drinkers.

> There may be other chemicals in wine that are beneficial to our health, but this has yet to be proven, according to the analysis.

> Another misconception is that alcohol is an evil devil drink.

Like most everything else humans consume, moderate alcohol consumption is fine. As long as one accounts for the calories, dehydration and vitamin depletion pertaining to alcohol consumption, drinking can be safe,

"The calories differ slightly range between 80 and 140 calories," May said. "This does not take into account sugar sweetened beverages and syrups that are often mixed with alcohol."

She also mentioned that alcohol removes the vitamins A, B1, B3, B5, B6, B9, B12, C and zinc from the body. Alcohol also makes those vitamins harder to absorb after drinking.

With this knowledge in mind, those who drink should make sure that they are getting the proper amount of these vitamins. One should also assess one's own health before drinking, May said.

"Understanding the impact of excessive alcohol consumption and nutritional information will hopefully help students to moderate and live a healthier lifestyle," May said.

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Throughout the now almost three weeks A.B. (after the bust) the public media has been filled with charges, accusations, hearsay evidence and misconceptions. The petty bureaucrats and opportunistic members of our State and County are enjoying a field day. However our main concern in the next few weeks and months while the hearings, discussions and debates are taking place is not to involve ourselves in meaningless arguments with officials outside of the University, but to show the outside community that we are indeed capable of "maintaining ourselves."

It is unfortunate that the bust took place and any discussion of the tactics and reasons for the raid should be put aside for issues that are more important to Stony Brook as an educational institution. At the present time there are tremendous pressures being placed on the Administration both here and in Albany by police officials, State politicians and local groups to clean house by clamping down on all privileges, such as parietal hours, alcohol and curfews to the point of absurdity. There is also great pressure to have a number of members of the University Administration first.

The bust places the entire University community in the unique position of having no where to go but up. The outside community is watching us with a fine knife ready to cut up this educational institution if the slightest miscue is made. The random slashings of that knife would permanently destroy everything which Stony Brook has been striving to achieve. The freedoms and liberal advances in ideas and ways of education would be forever nonexistent. It is up to us to prevent these attempts, by not engaging in illegal activities on campus, whether they be in violation of the drug act or other laws. Under the new rules and regulations given out to the students at hall meetings yesterday, students who flagrantly violate these rules will be fightfully ejected from the University.

There will be much discussion and debate over the new rules and regulations, especially in regard to their alleged "infringement of student rights." Until these points are cleared up among students, Administrators and faculty, each rule and regulation must be enforced to the letter. If this is not done, no one will have to worry about infringement of rights, but will be playing the game "Who's the Fed" and "Where's the University."

Jan. 17, 1968

About 200 Suffolk County Police Department officers carried out a drug bust on campus at 5 a.m. by coming into Stony Brook University dormitories and arresting 24 students for marijuana possession. The police department detailed the plans for the bust in a 107-page report titled "Operation Stony Brook." The editors of *The Statesman* at the time wrote an editorial decrying the bust: "The petty bureaucrats and opportunistic members of our State and County are enjoying a field day. However our main concern in the next few weeks and months while the hearings, discussions and debates are taking place is not to involve ourselves in meaningless arguments with officials outside of the University, but to show the outside community that we are indeed capable of 'maintaining ourselves."

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can lead to your arrest, suspension, conviction, and expulsion.

Sept. 1969

The Stony Brook Council and the university administration announced two new regulations concerning drug use: (1) students arrested for drug charges may be suspended from the university, and those convicted are subject to expulsion and (2) John Toll, then the university president, received authorization to establish new judicial bodies to hear cases involving campus demonstrations. Resident assistants condemned the Council's new rules and announced that they would not enforce them due to the lack of student participation and approval in the rules' creation. In addition, then-state Sen. John Hughes' Joint Legislative Committee on Crime concluded that drug use at Stony Brook had increased since the Jan. 17, 1968 bust, and the administration did not do enough to quell the problem.

Stony Brook Holds Its First Marijuana Festival

By DAVE RAZLER
JAYSON WECHTER

"I like marijuana, you like marijuana, we like marijuana too" —David Peel

No arrests were made during the First Annual Marijuana Festival, an affair that featured kite-flying, soap bubbles, and singer David Peel.

Despite rumors of possible arrests,

approximately 400 students thronged around Roth cafeteria lawn smoking marijuana, sipping beer and playing instruments, and showing no evident apprehension about arrest.

The festival started at 12:30 p.m. when people began to assemble in large numbers. By 2 p.m. there were over 200 people enjoying the sun and the free pot being passed out by several people.

at about 11:30 a.m. to ask the owners of several cars parked in Roth Quad to move the cars back into the parking lots. Secutity did not interfere with the marijuana fest because, according to Lieutenant Thomas Warren of Campus Security, "We didn't see any crimes being committed. We saw them [the students] having a good time dancing with the band."

As the participants danced, smoked and drank beer, members of the National Organization for (Continued on page 5)



OT ANYONE?: Stony Brook students smoked pot, danced, and enjoyed the sun at the First Annual Marijuana Festival.

Marijuana Fest at Stony Brook

(Continued from page 1)
e Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML)
rculated petitions calling for the
criminalization of marijuana and other changes

The loosely organized event at times resembled ock festival. Frisbees glided through the air and gs splashed into Roth Pond, while both live and corded music wafted from speakers on the lawn.



"HAVE A MARIJUANA": Legendary New York:
City street singer David Peel performed some pairs traditionally raucous songs at yesterday's

David Peet, a raucous New York City street nusician, walked up to the microphone coring the fternoon and performed several of his chant-like ongs dealing with "hippies, yippies, flippies" such a "Have a Marijuana," "Up Against the Wall," and

as "Have a Marijuana," "Up Against the Wall," and
"I'm a New York City Hippie."

Peel, who recorded several albums with "The
Lower East Side," is a personnel figure at
demonstrations and other street events in New

After Peel left the microphone, several other musical groups set up equipment on the hill in front of Roth Cafeteria which made up the improposate state.

Some of the people at the event said that they were disturbed over the political nature of the peeches made at the first which, they said, were sartially organized by "members of the Yippies." However, one student said, "I thought the concept was political, but fortunately they [the organizers] were incapable of articulating their deas." He characterized the politics of the organizers as "pointless revolutionary politics," out said that he enjoyed himself anyway.

kept from the event by russions that Suffol County Police would arrest the participants. Sheald, "Too had that everyone was somed off by the sares. I was nervous so I didn't moke there, smoked before I came. I know a lot of people whomly smoked beforehand."

Some participants complained that there wan't enough pot, and that the "unobe-in was more like a beer drinking party." But throughout the afternoon, people passed out red, white and candy-striped joints to the crowd.

Al sity sity festi

April 1975

About 400 Stony Brook University students attended a marijuana festival in Roth Quad without any arrests. Students not only smoked marijuana but also enjoyed sipping beer, playing instruments, throwing frisbees, flying kites, blowing soap bubbles and listening to live music from New York City street singer David Peel. "We didn't see any crimes being committed," Thomas Warren, then lieutenant of campus security, said.

"We saw them the students having a good time dancing with the band." At the festival, members of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, or NORML, circulated petitions calling for the decriminalization of marijuana and other changes to New York State drug laws.

Drugs Throughout Stony Brook

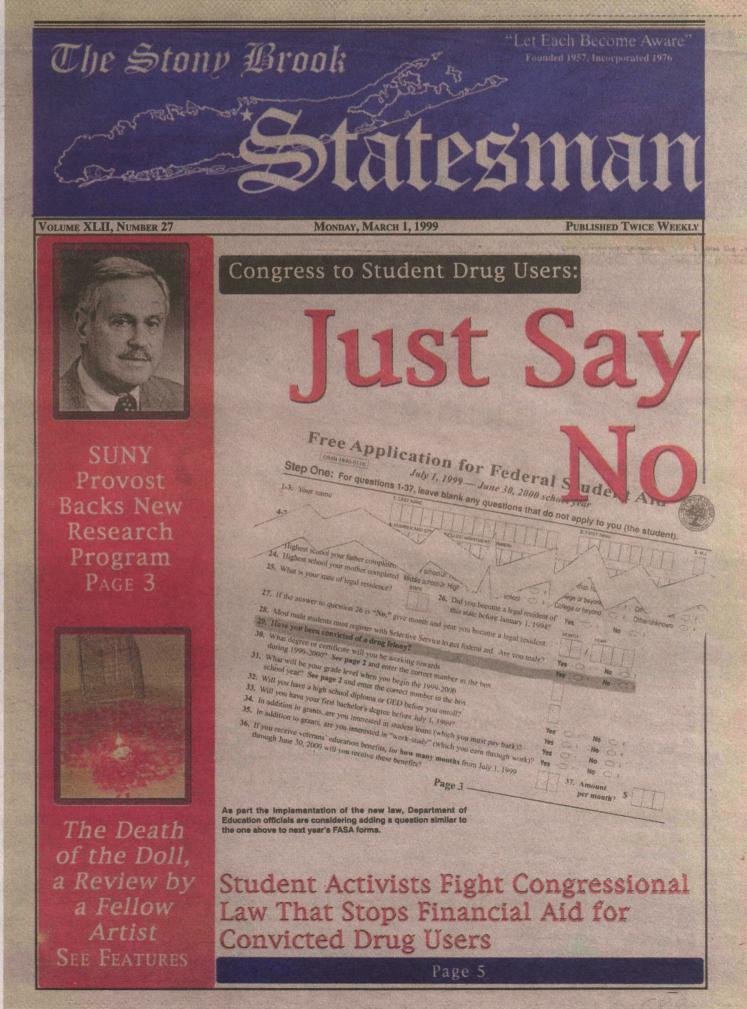
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Managing Editor and News Editor

History

The Statesman has collected several stories from the newspaper's archives that show how drug policies and culture have impacted Stony Brook University in the earlier years of its history. March 1, 1999

The Statesman published a report on a new law, an amendment to the 1998 Higher Education Act, that suspended eligibility for grants, loans or work assistance for students that are found guilty of possessing or selling drugs.

"It is going to be so difficult to implement it," said Ana Maria Torres, then the director of financial aid at Stony Brook University. The Drug Reform Coordination Network, a student-led organization, led an opposition effort against the law, with participation on more than 80 campuses.



Sanders revisits the failed War on Drugs

Nick Zararis Staff Writer

It was former first lady Nancy Reagan who famously said, "When it comes to drugs and alcohol, just say 'No'." She was speaking to "her young friends," as she put it, right before the War on Drugs was about to reach a fever pitch. During the '80s, the crack cocaine epidemic ravaged America's ghettos and minimum sentences locked non-violent offenders up for extreme periods of time.

An interview from 1994 with an aide to former President Nixon was recently published in Harper's magazine. In the interview, John Ehrlichman, Nixon's domestic policy chief, more or less explained that the War on Drugs was used as a political tool.

"You understand what I'm saying?" Ehrlichman said. "We knew we couldn't make it illegal to be either against the war or black, but by getting the public to associate the hippies with marijuana and blacks with heroin and then criminalizing both heavily, we could disrupt those communities."

Although Ehrlichman's surviving family denies that he was a racist, his quote proposes a very bad notion: the War on Drugs was used as a political tool to target anti-government sentiment, and the mass incarceration of minorities was done with the intent to damage communities and keep the opposition down.

Two candidates this cycle have made this issue big parts of their campaign: Bernie Sanders and Rand Paul. Both have spoken at length about how the War



The device above, makes it easier to roll a joint, one of the most iconic ways to smoke marijuana. Eric Schmid/The Statesman.

on Drugs has unfairly targeted minorities. Paul said during one of the Republican debates, "The people going to jail for this are poor people, often African-Americans and often Hispanics, and yet the rich kids who use drugs aren't."

If only Paul had stuck to this instead of bickering with Donald Trump, his campaign might have stood a chance.

Sanders has been the true champion of the victims of the War on Drugs this cycle, and this is where his human side truly comes out.

Sanders has advocated for the legalization of marijuana and, instead of prison sentences, he has pushed for treatment of those who are drug-dependent.

This is why it should be the accepted view that the War on

Drugs was both a failure and founded on false pretenses. It was supposed to be about public health and keeping drugs out of the hands of kids, but it has only made the situation worse. As of June of 2015, 46.5 percent of all of those incarcerated in federal prison are imprisoned on drug-related charges, and the United States has the highest rate of incarceration in the world.

We've reached an impasse during this cycle. The horse race is stagnating with an absurd number of think-pieces about contested conventions and Senator Bernie Sanders not having a fair chance against the Clinton

machine. Unless you're a political junkie or a glutton for punishment, you have primary fatigue. So, to lighten the mood, let's just compare the

This is an issue Bernie Sanders should stand on to differentiate himself even more from Hillary Clinton. This is an issue that could win Sanders a lot of key votes in communities who have been left vulnerable, because those votes are up for grabs. He wants to enact meaningful criminal justice reform to protect those who have been swept up in historically failed system.

If the presidential candidates were drugs

Nick Zararis Staff Writer



Photo Credit: Brett Weinstein

Clinton: Cocaine

Starting with the odds on favorite to be president of the United States, we go to Hillary Clinton. The drug Hillary is most identical to is clearly and obviously cocaine. She's on-edge during her speeches, even once devolving to barking during one of her rallies. Her robotic mannerisms add to this, because at the slightest bit of tension - such as when there's a question she doesn't like - she snaps at the poor sap who asked it. On the more cynical side, Clinton is also a product of a bygone era responsible for the mass incarceration of minorities.



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Sanders: Marijuana

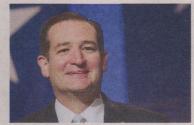
Then, there's the champion of the people, Senator Bernie Sanders. Sanders' similarities to marijuana are quite apparent and fairly simple to deduce. Most people who smoke marijuana like to only talk about marijuana in the same sense that if someone supports Sanders, all they like to talk about is Sanders. This comparison also rings true in the sense that Bernie's base of support lies in young people, very much in the vein of those who are for the legalization of marijuana.



Photo Credit: Gage Skidmore

Trump: K-2

We come to the candidate who best represents the misinformed rural people: Donald J. Trump. Trump is easily comparable to K-2, or synthetic marijuana. His form of populism is in the same realm as Sanders', but doesn't hold the same sense of innocence. The widespread use of K-2, much like a Trump presidency, would be the downfall of western society. The other similarity between Trump and K-2 is that if you even try it once, you've permanently ruined your life with brain damage.



different candidates to drugs.

Photo Credit: Jamelle Bouie

Cruz: Bath Salts

Ted Cruz, also known to most as the Zodiac Killer, is definitely bath salts. By far the scariest of all the drugs here, the results would be disastrous in any capacity. The effects of bath salts are estimated to be 10 times more intense than cocaine, which makes Cruz an estimated 10 times worse than Hillary. The effects of bath salts include intense paranoia and hallucinations, obvious parallels to Ted's fondness to tab all of those opposed to him as "establishment." The War on Drugs was launched under false pretenses but please, in the case of Ted Cruz or bath salts, just say no.



Photo Credit: Gage Skidmore

Kasich: Beer

Don't think that we forgot about the most bland of all the candidates on either side: Governor John Kasich of Ohio. What would you compare to someone who everyone can kind of deal with, but doesn't really know why he's there? Obviously non-alcoholic beer. There really is no purpose to Kasich being in the race at this point, much like drinking non-alcoholic beer at a party or bar is kind of pointless. Beer doesn't taste good to begin with, so why would you drink a brew that doesn't have the added perk of giving you a buzz?



Vaporizers, joint rollers and bowls, above, are among the most popular methods for smoking on April 20, the unofficial marijuana holiday. Eric Schmid/The Statesman.

The holiday for stoners and students

Michael Kohut Staff Writer

Ah, springtime at Stony Brook. A time when the looming dread of exams in our hearts is drowned out by ill-advised frivolity. We go to parties and we binge-watch entire shows on Netflix while simultaneously telling ourselves to study. After the past few days, I'm fairly confident I could write a B- dissertation on how the "The Powerpuff Girls" combines '50s pulp style and modern social senses to break down gender roles.

Much like "The Powerpuff Girls," April at Stony Brook gets better as it goes on. The second wave of midterms concludes about halfway through, giving way to a few weeks that have sugar, spice and everything nice. Brookfest, Trevor Noah and, packed right in-between, Stony Brook's favorite day of the year: April 20

About a year ago today, I discussed at length why 4/20 is a high point of the semester — it has some significance in scientific history and comes at a time when people are looking to relax. But since writing that article, it has come to my attention that April 20 is important to a whole different group of people: stoners.

Yes, I know what you're thinking, "Stoners, at Stony Brook?" It's a shock, I get it. But hear me out. Let's add 4/20 to the all too

short list of days that us Seawolves get a break from class.

Stoners are going to cut class either way. Why should we, the hardworking students who know better than to use this date as an excuse to cut class, have to sit in a classroom feeling burnt out while our classmates relax at such a stressful time? Class at that point is really an exercise of smoke and mirrors.

At first it might seem like giving these people a respite for doing the wrong thing would be counterproductive, but nothing could be further from the truth.

A day off in the middle of one of the semester's busiest weeks leaves time for rest and relaxation, which are critical to performance in class. Effectiveness in class can lead to great things. Marie and Pierre Curie isolated radium on April 20, 1902. If we should honor anyone on a day about pot, it should be the couple whose hard work led to countless discoveries about radiation, which causes cancer. What helps cancer patients? Pot.

Illegal marijuana usage at Stony Brook tends to be on the down-low anyway — you'd have to be a trained detective to figure out that anyone here even uses the stuff. This is fitting since the first ever story to be considered a work of detective fiction, "Murder at the Rue Morgue" by Edgar Allen Poe, was actually published on April 20, 1841. The telltale

sign of a stoner, smoke, is loath to be seen around our campus.

Pot may only be legal for medical reasons in most places now, but the DEA has said that they will soon be deciding if marijuana will be rescheduled from its current status as a Schedule I drug, which places it alongside heroin, LSD and ecstasy. This would be a big deal for the growing legalization movement and might just move the administration towards considering the break from classes.

Whether you're a boozer, user or a snoozer, everybody loves a day off. It's a fun thing to consider as you whisk away your finals fears and look forward to the greener grass on the other side.

Protecting the saviors of the sloshed

Zach Rowe Staff Writer

Alcohol is by far the most widely used recreational inebriant on college campuses in the United States, and at Stony Brook, it's no different.

Nationally, four out of five college students drink alcohol, and half of college students report binge drinking.

With alcohol being used so ubiquitously on college campuses, it's no surprise that alcohol poisoning is one of the biggest reasons college students need to seek out medical attention. About 1,800 students die from alcohol-related incidents each year, and thousands more are hospitalized due to over-drinking.

Stony Brook has made many efforts to combat these incidents, including resident assistants sponsoring alcohol education events and the university's push of "Red Watch Band," a group designed to train students on how to handle medical incidents regarding alcohol.

Yet, there's an ironic hypocrisy to these efforts that is discovered when a person actually seeks out medical attention for a friend in need. Often, those who become too drunk and need to seek medical help — even those who sought attention for their friend or others in a critical state — will find themselves facing disciplinary action from campus residences.

The State of New York has a medical amnesty law, which protects people who witness, seek help for or suffer from an alcohol or drug related medical emergency from prosecution for drug use or possession. This common-sense legislation unfortunately does not apply to colleges seeking disciplinary action. Many other campuses, like Cornell or the entire CUNY system, have versions of medical amnesty to cover this, but Stony Brook does not.

This lack of a policy can prove disastrous, as I'm sure it has already discouraged students from seeking medical attention until it was absolutely necessary. Campuses where amnesty policies have been implemented have reported great success. At Cornell, the policy led to steady increases in EMS calls for alcohol incidents and a doubling in the

percentage of students receiving education in intervention following an incident.

There is no good reason for Stony Brook not to adopt a medical amnesty policy for students. Students need to know that the school trusts their judgment and their decisions in times of crisis.

If a situation is dire enough that a student thinks medical attention is necessary, that student should be able to get that medical attention free from the fear of disciplinary action.

This policy has the potential to save lives.

Stony Brook drug and alcohol offenses, 2015-2016

3/4/16
Route 25A
Police arrested a driver on suspicion of drivin while ability impaired on Route 25A.

2/9/16
Keller College
An RA in Keller College reported that there was
allegedly a smell of marijuana in the building.
Police issued two student referrals.

2/6/16
Douglass College
Police issued a student referral for an alcohol vi-lation to a student in Douglass College who was allegedly intoxicated, vomiting and experiencing

Circle Road

Police arrested a driver on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol on Circle Road near North Entrance.

2/3/10
Gershwin College
A man reported that a smell of marijuano was
coming from a room in Gershwin College. Police
issued two student referrals.

1/29/16 Nicolls Road

Police arrested an individual on suspicion of driving with a blood alcohol level above 0.08 southbound on Nicolls Road south of the South

1/2/16
Nicolls Road
Police arrested a driver on suspicion of driving
under the influence of alcohol on northbound
Nicolls Road to eastbound Route 25A.

12/6/15 Nicolls Road Police arrested a driver on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol on northbound Nicolls Road.

11/21/15 Roosevelt Quad Police issued one referral for an alcohol of in Roosevelt Quad.

11/19/15 Kelly Quad Police issued student referrals to students alleged ly smoking marijuana in a vehicle in the Kelly paved lot.

11/19/15 Ammann College A resident assistant at Ammann College reported an odor of marijuana. Police issued one student referral.

Police allegedly found students smoking marijuar in the South P Lot. Police issued student referrals.

11/13/15 Langmuir College A resident assistant at Langmuir College reported that students were smoking marijuana. Police issued student referrals.

10/4/15
Keller College
Police issued a referral for an Alcoholic Beverage
Control Law violation to a student who was
allegedly seen sitting next to a shot glass outside
Keller College.

To J2 13 Sanger College An odor of marijuana was reported in Sanger College. Police issued four student referrals.

y/24/15
Tabler Quad
Five individuals were allegedly caught smokin
marijuana in Tabler Quad. Police issued two
student referrals.

9/19/15 West Apartments Police made an arrest for marijuana possession at a campfire in the woods behind West Apartments.

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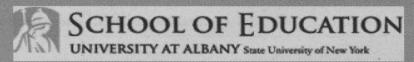


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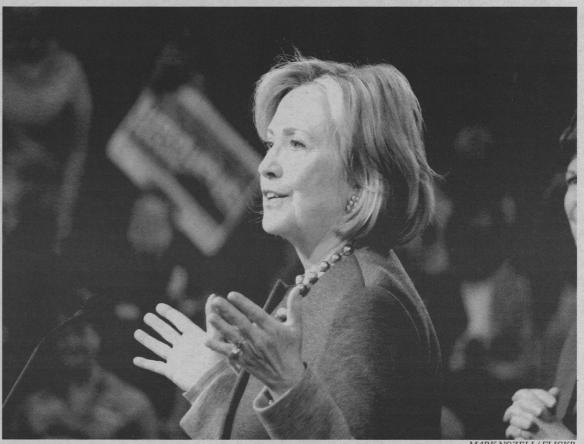
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There is a plethora of poorly pandering politicians upon us



Presidential candidate and former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, above, has tried to pander to younger voters through talk-show appearances and performing dance moves.

By Nick Zararis Staff Writer

This presidential election cycle has lagged on and on, seemingly forever, and we're still months away from both parties' conventions. With such poor candidates on both sides, each vote is extremely important.

In this cycle more than others, the candidates seem to have no floor too low to stoop to for votes. The pandering is even more cringeworthy than usual because you have candidates so far removed from reality they don't realize how ridiculous they look.

Former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton is probably the best at this awkward pandering. Every time she's on a talk show to prove to her hip young friends how cool she is, she butchers a modern dance move. On the "Ellen DeGeneres Show," she dabbed, making many people shudder at the sight of a woman old enough to be a lot of voters' grandmother trying so desperately to seem relevant.

There was also the "nae nae" incident where she made a fool of herself, and not in the endearing-Jennifer Lawrence way, but in the calculating-old-politician way. The list goes on: her struggle to simply swipe a MetroCard when riding the subway or her joke at a fundraiser, with New York City Mayor Bill De Blasio, about "colored people time." This is Clinton's glaring flaw as a politician - she doesn't come across as human. She's robotic and alien to the young voter.

Sen. Bernie Sanders of Vermont is no less guilty of appealing to the public, although he does so in a less painful way than the former Secretary of State. In the clearest form of age pandering possible, Sanders is the only candidate remaining in either party that has openly supported the decriminalization of marijuana, leaving it up to the individual states. This elder senator has forged his strongest constituency with younger voters, making promises about the future. Sanders has led the "free public university" charge, constantly talks about climate change and is promising a revolution.

Over on the Grand Old Party's side of things, the pandering is appealing to the opposite end of the spectrum. Donald Trump is appealing to the "silent majority" of yesteryear by walking a fine line with racism. He's catering to the millions of lower class white people who feel that the progressives have left them behind and who don't recognize their country anymore.

Strangely enough, Trump is also appealing to younger white men who feel that social justice movements spreading through universities across the country is alienating them. This demagoguery is pandering. He's satisfying those on the Christian right who fear a country without morals (even though Trump himself doesn't have them).

Trump has said "the Bible is his favorite book," but when pressed to name a favorite passage, he said "It was too personal to share." Then during a speech at Liberty University, he quoted the Bible, mentioning something about "Two Corinthians," which caused the audience to chuckle because the passage is properly known as Second Corinthians to those who are familiar with it.

Ted Cruz, the (Zodiac Killer) senator from Texas, has done the

same by flip-flopping on certain issues. In Iowa, he switched on ethanol subsidies, first supporting them, then saying they need to be phased out. Cruz has appealed to the Tea Party contingent by burning down every bridge he can in Washington. He engineered the government shutdown in 2013 and has no friends in the Senate. Cruz feels that destroying the establishment endears him to the Tea Party supporters, who feel the government doesn't represent them.

Out of obligation — even though he's so far behind Trump and Cruz — John Kasich, the governor of Ohio, is a panderer, too. As the only candidate on the Republican side who hasn't delved into absolute stupidity, he's tried to appeal to the "Average Joe." He talks about his mailman father and coal miner grandfather and his years of experience in both Washington and as a state executive.

He tried appealing to New Yorkers by eating a slice of pizza, but he proceeded to do so with a fork and knife. Kasich also made an appearance on the Dan Patrick radio show this week and suggested making the day after the Super Bowl a national holiday, as it is already the most called-in sick day of the year. Kasich has also mentioned he would try to help "Pink Floyd get back together," even though two of the four members have passed away.

As voters and as a population at large, we need to recognize these desperate attempts by candidates vying for the highest office in the land. They are an embarrassment.

When you're making people cringe from how uncomfortable your actions are, you should probably stop.

Wiping away water waste: Why we need to stop excess toilet flushing

By Andrew Goldstein Staff Writer

I sit on a porcelain throne in the Javits men's bathroom, mesmerized by the glow of my phone screen. Suddenly, the sea below shifts from its initial calm to a tidal vortex splashing up at me. I turn, flush with embarrassment, get a glimpse of the perpetrator and I see the red eye of the automatic toilet blinking back callously. Blink. Blink. Blink.

I finish up and look to the red eye, waiting for it to flush the toilet. Blink. Nothing. I wave my hands. I take my jacket off and wave it as a matador would a cape. Blink. Nothing. In my head, I start hearing the voice of HAL 9000 from "2001: A Space Odyssey," "I'm sorry, Dave. I'm afraid I can't do that." I reach over and push the "flush" button that so many have pushed before me and so many will push after me, effectively invalidating the purpose of an automatic flush toilet.

As I turn to leave, the toilet flushes. As I close the stall door behind me, the toilet flushes again. A chorus of cascading waters call out from the urinals my arrival to the sink to wash up. I dry my hands and leave, pooped from the experience.

Without focusing on my physical discomfort, let's think about



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Automatic toilets in Stony Brook's campus bathrooms waste water with accidental flushes. Switching to WaterSense™ toilets would save 1.28 gallons of water per flush.

the cost of such wanton flushing.

In Javits, each toilet flush uses 1.6 gallons of water while each urinal flush uses one gallon. Talk about waste. That means that there was a total 10.4 gallons of water passed during my trip to the bathroom, more than 10 percent of the amount of water the average American uses per day. Let that sink in.

That leads me to the GLS/ HDV center bathroom, my favorite public restroom on campus. In 1976, Victor Papanek wrote a few fascinating ideas for future toilets in "Design for the Real World," one of which would let squatters "select whether a great deal or only a minimal amount of water was needed for flushing." Thus the dual-flush toilet was born. The toilets of the GLS/HDV center can flush the standard 1.6 gallons but also have a 0.8 gallon option for liquid waste. Also, the toilets are not automatic so water isn't wasted on "phantom

flushes." Even if it went flushfor-flush against the Javits bathroom, it would have used 0.8 fewer gallons.

The average American uses 80-100 gallons of water a day, according to the United States Geological Survey. According to the State of Washington Department of Ecology, "Toilets are by far the main source of water use in the home: nearly 30 percent of residential indoor water consumption." To promote water

conservation, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation advises putting plastic bottles filled with water in the tanks of inefficient toilets so as to use that much less water per flush. The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources claims that doing so can save more than 12,000 gallons per year for a typical family.

Also, nature calls. As of April 5, 2016, 14 states were in a period of "moderate drought," according to the United States Drought Monitor. In May 2014, the Government Accountability Office published a study where 40 out of 50 state water managers stated that they expected water shortages in some portion of their states under average conditions within the next decade.

We need relief. In 2007, the Environmental Protection Agency began labeling toilets, urinals and more with WaterSense™ logos, certifying their water efficiency. Currently, WaterSense™ toilets use 1.28 gallons of water per flush, or 20 percent less than our current toilets. WaterSense™ urinals can use as little as zero gallons per flush. According to the EPA, WaterSense™ products saved 346 billion gallons of water in 2014 alone. If Javits had these vanities, my bathroom trip would have used only 5.62 gallons of water.

Now that's taking care of business.

To drink or not to drink, that's not the question because I know I'm not going to

By Jager Robinson StaffWriter

Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer; the alcohol and drugs of outrageous college parties, or to take arms against a sea of drunk students, and by opposing them? To die; to sleep.

Shakespeare really had me in mind when he wrote "Hamlet," I guess.

The percentage of students who drink on college campuses is about 40 percent higher than the percent of students who vote in the national election, according to information from both US News and The Washington Post.

To be fair, more people drink than vote in the national election, regardless of age group. But it still makes a point.

But what happens if you don't drink in college? Well, Jager "Sober As A Toddler" Robinson is here to give you a three-part lesson.

Before I start, I think it would be fair to point something out. I have tried alcohol in my life, but I have yet to drink an ounce since getting to this barren wasteland we call Stony Brook.

1. There Is Certainly An Effort To Get You To Try It

I cannot explain to you how many times this has happened.

Last week, for example, my suitemate and a love interest both tried to get me to either drink or smoke. While I respect the argument "You have to try at some point," I disrespect the argument that I am somehow less happy without the substances.

I am not upset with anybody for asking me to drink. But let's be real, I'd rather wake up refreshed after



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According to the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 60 percent of college students drank alcohol in any given month. Author Jager Robinson is not one of them, and says he prefers to abstain from drinking altogether.

a night of sleeping than feel like a jackhammer is targeting my brain in the morning.

For those of you who don't drink, just stand your ground. People are generally reasonable people. If you tell them no, and they are at least a little mentally stable, they'll understand that you are sticking to principles.

2. Stony Brook Isn't Dry

Barren wasteland or not, Stony Brook certainly has a steady flow of alcohol running through its veins.

While the administration tries to make us a "tobacco-free campus,"

our students find a steady stream of inebriation from their favorite studying tool.

This fact only really matters to freshmen. Many freshmen might enter college thinking that Stony Brook isn't a party school, which it's not. But don't be fooled. There are still plenty of expectations for you to "fit in"

3. Stay True Young Grasshopper, For Being Sober Is The Most Interesting Path

I can't lie about this next fact: not drinking at Stony Brook isn't actually that hard. Even at parties, the most I've gotten is the classic "Bro, you gotta try this." The real challenge of not drinking is during finals week, when all you want to do is say "screw it."

Stress, friends and a complete lack of care is the best cocktail mix of all time, and if we are all being honest here, drinking your sorrows away often feels like the number one reason for drinking in the first place.

But you can stay sober and deal with stress. It actually isn't hard. Just go to a party, sit down and watch. Stress is a mental block and I promise you, watching drunk people is 100

percent more entertaining than being that drunk person.

So, there you have it. My lesson for you. Sure, it wasn't as put together as sonnets from Shakespeare, but I hope it gets you through the years.

There will always be people trying to get you to drink and Stony Brook will always have a special place for alcohol on its shelves, but if you just remember that people aren't so bad sober and that stress is curable through laughter, you might just come out clean. On your drug tests, of course.

Senior second baseman Jack Parenty acts as a leader on and off the diamond

By Tim Oakes StaffWriter

The Holy Trinity Titans were down four runs in the sixth inning in the 2012 Nassau-Suffolk Catholic High School Athletic Association championship game.

A high school senior at the time, Jack Parenty came to the plate with two runners on base and blasted a three-run home run to begin the push that would catapult his team to a victory.

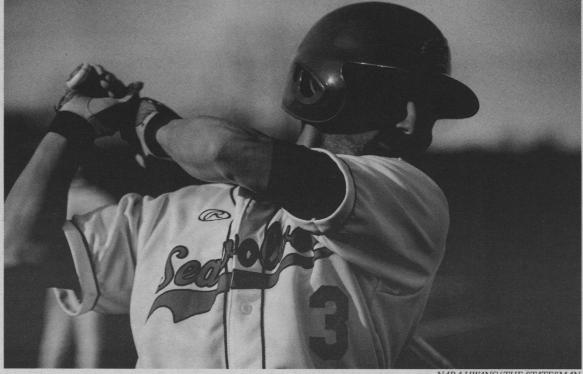
"The bigger the game, the bigger he got for us," Robert Malandro, Parenty's high school coach at Holy Trinity High School, said.

Parenty, now the second baseman for the Stony Brook Baseball team, is midway through his senior season, coming off a 2015 America East Conference Player of the Year-winning campaign in which he led his team to a conference championship.

Just like he accomplished at Holy Trinity High School, Parenty is seeking his second conference championship at Stony Brook and his second consecutive player of the year award. However, individual awards are not nearly as important to him.

"It means nothing without a conference championship, a chance to play in regionals and possibly the College World Series," Parenty said.

Stony Brook currently boasts four alumni who have made it to Major League Baseball — six-time MLB All-Star pitcher Joe Nathan, San Diego Padres outfielder Travis Jan-



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Senior Jack Parenty, above, looks to bring Stony Brook back to the College World Series.

kowski, Los Angeles Angels pitcher Nick Tropeano and Miami Marlins pitcher Tom Koehler. Parenty may be next.

"Especially as an offensive player, [Parenty] is right up there with the best players we've had," head coach Matt Senk said.

During the 2015 season, Parenty captured the America East batting title, with a .367 average. He knocked in 47 runs and stole 26 bases, helping lead his team to an NCAA Tournament berth.

"Jack has always been the lead-

er of that team since coming into school there," Brian Foley, the editor of CollegeBaseballDaily.com, said. Foley, who analyzes college baseball prospects around the nation, compared Parenty to all-star utility player Brock Holt, who hit .280 for the Boston Red Sox in 2015.

"I think it's a fair comparison," Senk said. "He possesses all those parts of his game and has versatility. He can not only play one outfield position. I think he could play all three."

Parenty played in the outfield for

the majority of his first three seasons with the Seawolves until recently transitioning to second base, the position he played throughout his four years at Holy Trinity High School. Like Holt, Parenty does not have much power but is an excellent contact hitter, having batted over .330 in three of his four seasons with Stony Brook.

"Championship teams follow him," Malandro says. "They may not be the best team, but he makes everyone around him better."

Parenty is more of a quiet and

humble leader. He brings a similar attitude to his team as longtime New York Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter, his personal idol: a calm and collected attitude, always leading by example.

"Watching him handle his business makes you fall in love with the game and want to follow in his footsteps," Parenty said of his childhood role model.

His father Richard Parenty, a former New York City fire captain, had trouble thinking of any other hobbies Jack had outside of sports growing up.

"When he was two years old, he could throw a ball up in the air and hit it on a bounce," the elder Parenty recalled.

Parenty's father used pipes and netting to build his son his very own batting cage in their front yard, which Jack would constantly inhabit, honing his skills when he was not on the field or in school.

In the 2016 season, Parenty has used "March Madness" by Future as his "walk-up music," playing it as he walks up to the plate. But much to his dismay, Parenty was unable to attend the rapper's April 13 concert at Brookfest.

Instead of attending his favorite artist's concert, he drove in two runs to help his team earn another victory against LIU Brooklyn, Stony Brook's seventh win in eight games. Parenty's sole focus is to win the America East Championship and perhaps lead his team to another College World Series.

Men's Lax crushes UMass Lowell

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River Hawk sophomore midfielder Brandon Luitwieler, who led his team with three points, responded with an unassisted goal with eight seconds left in the half, cutting his team's deficit to five as the Seawolves headed into the locker room ahead 9-4.

The third quarter belonged to Stony Brook.

. UMass Lowell went scoreless throughout the third and was held to three shot attempts to Stony Brook's 14, none of which were on goal.

Stony Brook maintained a possession advantage, recording 12 of its 37 groundballs in the third quarter, opening up scoring opportunities and keeping the ball out of the hands of UMass Lowell.

Sophomore defenseman Ben Randall led all Seawolves with five ground balls.

Junior midfielder Jeff Reh kicked off the third quarter with a goal off

of a dish from junior attackman Ryan Bitzer, who had two assists in the matchup.

Two minutes later, freshman midfielder Justin Pugal buried an assist from Eastwood for his second goal of his career.

Senior attackman Jake Sichenzia would soon add to the barrage with his first goal of the season, giving Stony Brook a 12-4 lead with 4:31 left in the third quarter.

After a goal from Bitzer and backto-back fourth quarter finishes from Eastwood, the Seawolves would cap off a 15-7 win and receive their tenth win for the second straight season.

Eastwood led all scorers with a game-high five goals.

Anderson's two goals were a career-high. Corpolongo and senior midfielder Chris Hughes contributed with a pair of their own goals.

Rogers and Bitzer each recorded two assists apiece.

The Seawolves continue conference play on Sunday, April 24 when they head upstate to face the Binghamton Bearcats.



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on the road next weekend

Stony Brook will return to action on the road next weekend, when the team will play at Binghamton at 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Pitching shines as Baseball takes home series

By Tim Oakes Staff Writer

Pitching led the way in the series as Stony Brook beat UMass Lowell 5-0 on Friday as part of a two games to one series win.

In his second consecutive scoreless start, freshman pitcher Bret Clarke held the River Hawks to no hits through the first four innings, but he pitched himself into a jam in the fifth inning. He started to lose the strike zone, allowing two men to get on base with one out, as head coach Matt Senk went to the bullpen.

Sophomore pitcher Teddy Rodliff took over for Clarke, ended the fifth inning threat and would be tasked with finishing the game out. In pitching the final three innings of the game, Rodliff completed the team's one-hit shutout over the River Hawks, earning his fourth save of the season for his performance.

"We were nine outs away from winning the game," Senk said. "When you have someone [in the bullpen] as effective as Teddy, especially against left handers, it definitely seems like the right thing to do."

The Seawolves offense began and ended with junior shortstop Jeremy Giles, who drove in three runs in the second game of Saturday's double-header.

Giles drove in the team's first run on a line drive that deflected off UMass Lowell's pitcher, allowing his teammate to score. In the eighth inning, Giles hit a two-run double down the left field line to bring the game to its final score of 5-0. This was all done while hitting in the final spot in the lineup.

"I like it. I get to see through the whole lineup and how their pitcher

is working on our lineup," Giles said.
"I just do my job any time I can."

However, Giles and the rest of the Stony Brook offense struggled to capitalize in the first game, losing 2-1 all despite another sharp start from senior pitcher Chad Lee.

Lee tossed 6.1 innings, allowing no earned runs while striking out five, and extending his scoreless inning streak to 31 innings. Unfortunately for him, his team made an error in the fourth inning that allowed a River Hawk player to reach base and eventually score. Lee improved his earned run average to a now-conference leading 1.00 among qualified pitchers.

But Stony Brooks lineup could not get the big hit when they needed it in the first game, aside from junior outfielder Casey Baker's one-run single in the fourth inning.

Sophomore pitcher Andrew Ryan started on the mound for UMass Lowell and held Stony Brook to one run in 6.1 innings, striking out seven en route to delivering Stony Brook's

first home loss of the season.

Senior pitcher Tyler Honahan continued the team's trend of good pitching performances earlier in the series into his start allowing just two runs in 5.2 innings while striking out eight batters in his team's 5-3 victory. Honahan earned his third win of the season, improving his record to 3-4 on the year

Senk and other coaches had a meeting earlier in the week to talk about Honahan's struggles to this point in the season. Senk thought that he was very receptive.

"I felt really good today," Honahan said. "I felt like I'm getting back to my winning ways and I can bring this into the next start."

Junior catcher David Real got the ball rolling for the Seawolves offense. Real had two hits, finishing with six total hits in the series to lead the team's offensive charge against the River Hawks.

Stony Brook will go to Iona on Tuesday to play the Gaels at 3:30 p.m..



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Junior shortstop Jeremy Giles (No. 2, above) drove in five runs in the Seawolves' 5-0 Game 2 win on Saturday.

Freshmen lead way in Ocean State Invitational for SBU Track & Field

By Alex Blanc Contributing Writer

The Stony Brook Track & Field team shined in its two-day trip to Rhode Island for the Ocean State Invitational this weekend. Among the impressive performances for the Seawolves was freshman Chinque Thompson's time of just 12.00 seconds in the 100-meter dash, placing second, and her time of 25.40 seconds to come in second in the 200-meters. She also was part of the women's 4x100-meter relay team that timed in at 47.23 seconds, breaking the previous school record by .11 of a second.

The freshman from Toronto has shown to be a dominant force in her first year at Stony Brook as she is part of a group of excelling rookies for the Seawolves. Freshman McKyla Brooks won her event in the women's long jump with a distance of 19-feet-2-inches, while both freshmen Dara Smith and Melissa Riback placed first and third in the women's 400m hurdles, respectively.

The women's 4x100-meter relay team has been performing well for most of the spring season, and its members are young for a successful team, being comprised of three freshmen and one sophomore. With a program record in the books, Thompson, along with freshman Sarah Militano, sophomore Kaylyn Gordon and freshman Nikki Fogarty seem to represent a bright future for the team.

Fogarty and sophomore Courtney Warden finished second and third in the 100-meter hurdles, respectively, as Warden's preliminary time of 14.46 achieved the ECAC regionals standard.

The men's track & field team also performed well, with junior Oscar Mercado and sophomore Danny Connelly winning their events for the Seawolves. Mercado competed in two events; he placed third in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 57.05 seconds, but found himself on top of the shorter event, with a winning performance in the 110-meter hurdles in 15.56 seconds. Connelly finished first in the men's 3,000-meter run, with a time of 8:39.40.

Freshman Wayne Williams finished third in the 400-meters with a time of 49.40 seconds, while freshman Shane Harris came in third in the 200-meters, crossing the line in 22.90 seconds.

Williams and Harris were two legs of the men's 4x400-meter relay, being joined by junior Jarrett Button and freshman Abass Braimah to come in second, clocking in at 3:21.47

Freshmen Yanik Martin and Jason Marshall came in second in the long and high jumps, respectively

The Seawolves are now looking forward to their home event at the Wolfie Invitational on Sunday, April 23, where head coach Andrew Ronan's team will look to win events in front of its

Tennis splits matches as conference tourneys near-

By Gregory Zarb Contributing Writer

Stony Brook Tennis was in action this weekend, as the men and women won their Friday matches 6-1 and 7-0 against Hartford respectively, before both teams fell on Saturday. The men lost 4-3 to Fairleigh Dickinson and the women 5-2 to St. John's.

"The men and women kept their intensity level up Friday and it showed with two wins," Stony Brook head coach Gary Glassman said. "However, Saturday, I felt the women were outclassed and or the men, we let that match slip away from us."

On Friday, the Seawolves were dominant against the Hawks. Both the men and women came out strong, winning all three doubles matches to take a 1-0 lead into the singles flights. On the men's side, the Seawolves were able to win all but one singles match. Junior Tyler Hoffman, freshman Rodrigo Ristow Hadlich and junior Kenzo Kauffmann lost only four games combined during the singles portion of the match as they led their team to a 6-1 victory on the day.

After winning the doubles point, the women's team never took its foot off the gas. Led by sophomore Yana Nikolaeva, who won 6-1, 6-1 in the No. 1 singles match, the Seawolves lost a total of 11 points during singles matches and went on to win each singles flight and get the shutout victory against the Hawks by a final score of 7-0.

Saturday became a much different story for the Seawolves

The men faltered early, only winning one doubles match and losing



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Sophomore Yana Nikolaeva won No. 1 singles, 6-1, 6-1, as her team defeated Hartford 7-0 on Friday afternoon.

the doubles point to Fairleigh Dickinson. During singles play, they were able to win three matches, as senior Jose Morales outlasted junior Gonzalo Quintana, 6-3, 6-7 (4), 6-2, in the No. 2 match. Ristow Hadlich and Kauffmann came up with wins at No. 5 and No. 6 singles. With Fairleigh Dickinson winning the other three single flights and having the doubles point in hand, Stony Brook lost by a final score of 4-3.

'We lost our focus," Glassman said. "When we lose our focus, we let matches slip away from us. And that's exactly what happened today."

On the women's side, the Seawolves opened with strong play against the Red Storm and were able to win the doubles point. Once singles began, it was all St. John's. The Red Storm won all but one singles match, in which Stony Brook senior Becky Shtilkind beat sophomore Irina Preotescu, 6-2, 6-3. That was the only bright spot during singles play, as the Seawolves fell to the Red Storm, 5-2.

"I felt that we were outclassed," Glassman said. "They competed extremely well in the singles, and that's where we got outplayed."

The women have a week off before competing in Maryland for the America East Championships.

"First, we need to get healthy," Glassman said. "Once we get healthy, we need to play our style of tennis. If we play the way we played on Friday, we have a good shot."

The men have next weekend off before heading to Wichita, Kansas for the Missouri Valley Conference championships.

"In order to win, we need to maintain our focus and our intensity," Glassman said. "We need to stay focused on the task at hand. When we do that, we will get the results

Sallen tosses two no-nos as Softball sweeps

By Dylan Moore Staff Writer

Senior pitcher Jane Sallen made history this weekend.

The Seawolves ace threw the first two no-hitters of her career - the 12th and 13th in Stony Brook history — as the team swept UMass Lowell in the first two games of a three game set this weekend by scores of 7-0, 6-3 and 10-0. Before Sallen's dominance this weekend, no Stony Brook pitcher had thrown a no-hitter since Allie Cukrov had two her freshman year in 2012.

In Saturday's series opener, Sallen pitched the full seven innings without allowing a hit, walking five and striking out six, bringing in game two and she pitched well

her record on the season to 13-10.

It was the perhaps the most dominant performance of her collegiate career, though it was equaled in Sunday's series finale.

In the Seawolves' 10-0 victory, the senior hurled six inning, again allowing no hits. She joins Cukrov and former pitcher Stephanie Poetzsch as the only Stony Brook players to ever have two hitless shutouts in a season. Poetzch completed the feat in 2001.

Combined with the series' second game, in which Sallen earned the save in a relief appearance, she finished the series having allowed one hit in 15.1 innings pitched.

Sophomore Maddy Neales started in the circle for the Seawolves

enough to set her team up to win. She threw 4.2 innings while giving up three runs, all unearned, on four hits. The second-year pitcher also struck out five and walked six.

The offense wasted no time giving Sallen run support in the first game. Senior outfielder Diane Caruso crushed her sixth home run of the season to score two in the top of the first inning, and senior first baseman Kim Ragazzo drove in sophomore third baseman Chelsea Evans three batters later. Sloppy defense by the River Hawks allowed the other four runs to score throughout the game, three of them unearned.

But it was Sallen who would secure the win for Stony Brook. She came into the game with two outs in the fifth inning and the bases loaded and was able to get the strikeout to end the inning. Sallen also worked out of a tough jam in the bottom of the seventh inning, when the River Hawks loaded the bases with nobody out, but she forced a double play and a groundout to escape the inning unscathed.

Senior catcher Allie Pisciotta had a fantastic weekend, going 8-for-11 with two walks and a pair of two runs batted in. She has been the team's best hitter all season and her batting average is now up to .397 with five homers and 28 runs batted in.

Stony Brook, now undefeated in its last 10 games, will return to the diamond on Tuesday afternoon, when the team hosts Hofstra at 3:30 p.m..

Women's Lax win streak hits 9

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Blue Jays responded with two goals of their own. Sophomore attacker CeCe Finney spun past defenders to give Johns Hopkins a 5-1 advantage. Murphy scored on a breakaway with 1:25 to go in the half to cut into the lead.

"We just came in, we talked to each other, we all said what we were doing, what we had to fix," Van Dyke said. "I think that's a big part of our team. We're not afraid to call out each other when someone needs to fix something."

The ball was tossed around the perimeter of the offensive zone between New Hampshire sticks, possession after possession, for minutes at a time. The Wildcats purposely used a very inactive offense as they sought to slow the game's pace to a grinding halt.

The tactic worked for a while, as the team trailed No. 8 Stony Brook just 5-3 with 20 minutes left in the contest, but it did not last:

Over a 12 minute span in the second half, the Seawolves went on a 6-0 run to break the score open, winning 11-4 to extend their winning streak to eight games on Saturday afternoon.

"They stalled," Stony Brook head coach Joe Spallina said. "A game like today is the reason why the rules are changed and they will be changed. Unfortunately, it's become a theme in our conference."

The halftime score was 4-2,

with Stony Brook on top, but the New Hampshire strategy was clear - play passively and methodically against an opponent versus whom it was out-matched.

"It's aggravating," Spallina said. "But we showed good composure. We didn't get rattled ... we held them to four goals, with our goalie making some good saves. They were kind of lulling us to sleep, trying to get us to stretch, and then, voom, get a quick goal."

With 18:27 left in the second half, junior attacker Courtney Murphy scored on an individual effort, beating her defender with a dodging move before netting one of her four goals in the game. The tally was the first of a second-half Seawolves run that put the game out of reach.

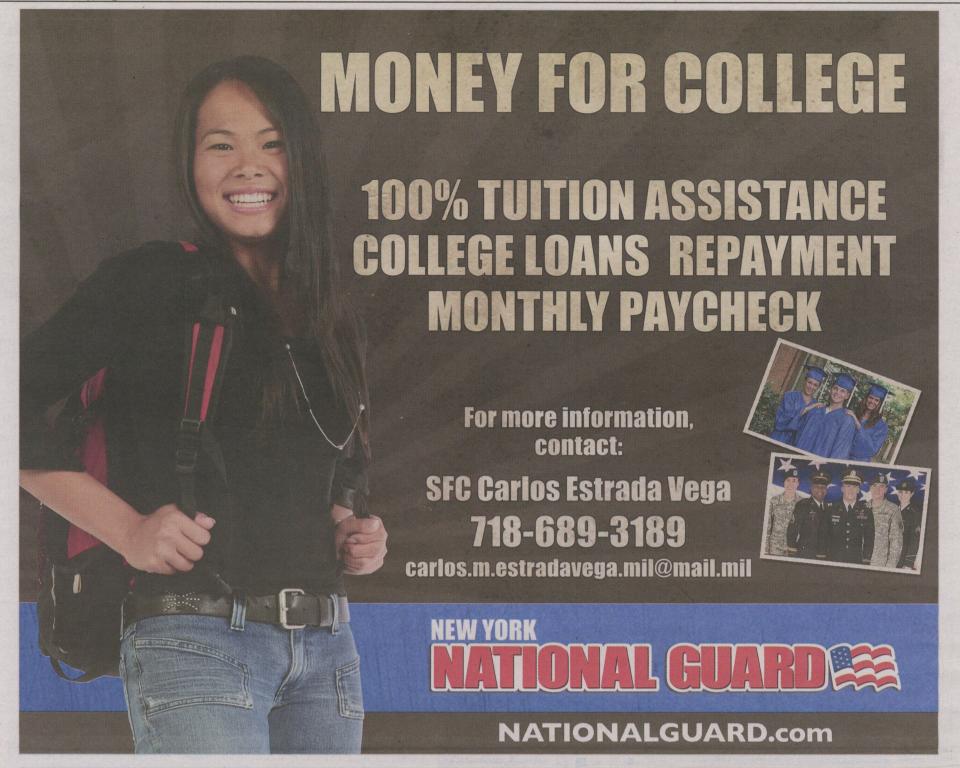
Sophomore attacker Kylie Ohlmiller had three goals and two assists for Stony Brook, while Murphy's four-goal output gave her a nation-leading 62 goals this season at the time. She now has 65.

Next up for Stony Brook, now 11-3 on the season, is a road match-up with conference foe Binghamton on Wednesday, April 20 at 7 p.m.. Murphy will look to make history there, needing just three goals to become the first player in program history to score 200 goals in her career.

"She's amazing," junior midfielder Kristin Yevoli said of her ... classmate. "She's just a finisher. I don't know how she does what she does. I feel like she's unstoppable. It's just — we're so lucky to have her."



Senior pitcher Jane Sallen, above, threw the 12th and 13th no-hitters in Stony Brook Softball history this weekend.



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Boals introduced as Men's Basketball head coach

By Andrew Eichenholz Sports Editor

It has been an emotional whirlwind for the Stony Brook Men's Basketball team over the last month. The Seawolves captured their first America East title on March 12 before playing in their first NCAA Tournament game five days later. Since then, former head coach Steve Pikiell and the rest of his coaching staff, excluding assistant coach Lamar Chapman, left Stony Brook to take positions at Rutgers.

Director of Athletics Shawn Heilbron introduced Jeff Boals as the team's new head coach last Monday, starting a new chapter for Stony Brook Men's Basketball as the team looks to add to its success.

"It really wasn't that long ago that we were down on this floor celebrating that first America East Championship," Heilbron said before Boals stepped to the podium. "That's a feeling that we want to have again and again and again."

Boals came to Stony Brook after serving as an assistant coach under Thad Matta at Ohio State. During his seven years in Columbus, Boals helped the Buckeyes reach the NCAA Tournament six times, including a 2012 Final Four appearance.

"One thing he told me to do is 'Don't ever leave here for a bad job'," Boals said, remembering the advice that Matta gave him. "When I was going through the process the last few years and some jobs that opened, you know, I knew that wasn't the place where I wanted to go and when I first got the phone call from Shawn, I was really excited."



Jeff Boals (above, center) was introduced last Monday as the next head coach of Stony Brook Men's Basketball.

The two-time captain at Ohio, from which he graduated in 1995, will now take over a team that has won at least 22 games in every campaign since the 2011-2012 season. After falling in four of the previous five conference title matchups, Stony Brook broke through in March for the first time in an 80-74 victory over Vermont.

To get back to that moment, recruits will be a major key. Michael Almonacy, a guard at Brentwood High School, and Andrew Garcia, a guard at the Master's School in Connecticut, each signed letters of intent to play for Stony Brook next season when Pikiell was the head coach. Boals said that he has spoken to Almonacy, who reaffirmed his commitment to Stony Brook. The new head coach said he is in the process of reaching out to Garcia, who he also hopes to have on the team next season.

As far as the team's coaching situation goes, Boals said that although there is nothing official, he does have a few people in mind to help him move forward with the program. But he emphasized that to him, the most important thing was to focus on the Seawolves who sat right in front of him in Island Federal Credit Union Arena.

"First and foremost I want to be here for these guys," Boals said. "These young men right here went through a tough two-week stretch you know, so to build the trust on my end and their end is going to be very important."

Boals met with his new team for the first time for about 15 minutes on April 10, which gave both him and the team a fresh start.

"It's been a couple weeks without a coach, especially like how it went down right after we won, it was kind of weird," sophomore guard Deshaun Thrower said. "He seems like a real good person. He wants us to play hard and all of us play hard. We all just have a good connection with him so far."

Eastwood ties school goals record as Seawolves defeat River Hawks

By Christian Peraino

After turning his defender completely around, senior midfielder Challen Rogers had space to shoot on the right side of the cage as UMass Lowell defenders honed in to close the gap. But with his eyes locked on senior attackman Brody Eastwood, Rogers opted to feed his British Columbian counterpart, who had snuck behind distracted defenders to the top of the crease.

Quickly avoiding a nearby stick check, Eastwood went behind-theback to bury his fifth goal of the afternoon. With the game handily won, celebration was business as usual: two fist pounds and easygoing huddle talk.

Despite his nonchalant attitude, Eastwood had just cemented himself in Stony Brook's record books. With that goal, he tied Jordan McBride's career-goal record of 175, leading his team to a 15-7 win over conference

rivals UMass Lowell Saturday afternoon at Kenneth P. LaValle Stadium.

Eastwood reached the mark in his 63rd career game, while McBride did so in 60 games. The pair's 175 goals each are good for 13th-most in Division I history.

Coming off a disappointing overtime loss to Marist, Stony Brook looked to return to winning form against a UMass Lowell team that sits in last place in the America East.

With an early 3-2 lead, the Seawolves would score two unanswered goals off the sticks of sophomore long-stick midfielder Tyler Anderson and junior midfielder Alex Corpolongo, capping off the first quarter.

After the two teams traded goals to start the second quarter, Corpolongo and Anderson would again score back-to-back, this time followed by Eastwood's third goal of the game.

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Senior attackman Brody Eastwood (No. 18, above) tied Jordan McBride with his 175th career Stony Brook goal.

Women's Lacrosse earns wins over No. 20 Johns Hopkins, New Hampshire

By David Vertsberger and Skyler Gilbert Assistant Sports Editors

No. 7 Stony Brook Women's Lacrosse trailed No. 20 Johns Hopkins 5-2 at halftime on Sunday afternoon after a dismal offensive start. The Seawolves had come back against ranked teams before, and head coach Joe Spallina assured them they would do so again. The team opened the period with five unanswered goals, the highlight of which was a falling scoop shot by sophomore attacker Kylie Ohlmiller, giving her squad its first lead of the afternoon. Stony Brook would hold on to win 10-7, extending its win streak to

"I guess it's kind of something that me and [senior attacker Courtney] Murph[y] do a lot in practice that the defenders who are on us kind of complain about because we hit them a lot, and then the goalies, we hit them too, and they're always like 'you know you're never going to do that in a game," Ohlmiller said. "So when me and Murph do it in a game we're like, 'we did it!'

Junior attacker Dorrien Van Dyke kicked off the surge when she drove down the left side of the field and fired a shot across her body to score less than two minutes into the second half. Soon after, sophomore midfielder Samantha DiSalvo buried a goal to cut the deficit to one, forcing Johns Hopkins to call timeout.

After assisting DiSalvo, Ohlmiller had the favor returned 15 seconds later to knot the game at five. After Ohlmiller's highlight goal to put Stony Brook ahead, junior attacker Courtney Murphy scored on a free position attempt. The Seawolves scored five goals in under five minutes, going from a 5-2 deficit to a 7-5 lead.

We talked about every season having a defining moment and that this was our defining moment," Spallina said. "It would have been very easy for this group to roll over and play dead having played yesterday, having exerted a ton of energy

yesterday, being down 5-2 against a team that had their whole season to play for. So I told them this is our defining moment of the season. We will come back and win this game."

Murphy and Van Dyke led the way for Stony Brook with three goals apiece, with Ohlmiller adding two. Van Dyke also tallied six draw controls and four ground balls on the afternoon. DiSalvo had two assists while contributing a goal, while Mitchell also added a score.

Stony Brook struggled mightily on offense in the first half, recording five turnovers to six shots on goal. The Seawolves entered their matchup averaging 14 goals per game, but scored just two in the opening 30 minutes. Junior goalkeeper Caroline Federico tallied four saves in the first half.

"We didn't have the ball," Spallina said when asked about the offensive woes. "We came out slow, lethargic."

Johns Hopkins struck first, scoring the game's first three goals. Junior midfielder Haley Schweizer got the scoring started less than two minutes into the contest. Senior attacker Jenna Reifler then fed sophomore attacker Emily Kenul, who gave the Blue Jays a 2-0 lead. At the 20:38 mark, senior midfielder Dene' DiMartino scored on a fast break chance to extend the lead to three. Murphy, the NCAA's goals leader, had a chance to respond in transition, but her shot hit the top post. She then had a free-position shot miss high.

Van Dyke put Stony Brook on the scoreboard with a free position goal at the 15:49 mark, but the



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Junior attacker Courtney Murphy (No. 18, above) scored three goals in Sunday's win.