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## Walk the Moon and Timeflies rock Back to the Brook

By Rena Thomas  
Arts & Entertainment Editor

The Undergraduate Student Government broadened the musical landscape of this year's annual Back To The Brook Concert with performances by Timeflies and Walk The Moon. A mix of student reactions and spirited surprises swept through the Island Federal Credit Union Arena on Thursday, Sept. 17, including a performance by the Spirit of Stony Brook Marching Band.

Justin Love, R&B singer, and In Loving Memory, a student alternative rock band, made way for electronic hip-hop duo Timeflies.

"Being on the stage at Stony Brook was pretty surreal. It was certainly the largest, most legitimate stage we've played on thus far," Thomas Diognardi, drummer of In Loving Memory, said. "And not to mention the biggest crowd we've played too," he added.

In Loving Memory played its original songs, including "All Systems Go," "I Stay True," "With or Without You" and "Burning Flower." "All Systems Go" was a debut single that the band released last November, while the other three songs can be heard on the band's recently released debut EP, "Stand My Ground."

"We knew going into this that the audience for this particular show might not be into our type of music," Diognardi said. "But we thought it was important to not let that show. We figured if we acted like we belonged, then we would belong."

The band received a positive reaction from the crowd and pumped up the students for the Timeflies performance that followed. Lead vocalist Cal Shapiro and producer Rob Resnick of Timeflies transformed the arena into a typical "Timeflies Tuesday" night. The duo hyped the audience with its infectious mix of rhymes and rhythms.

"I was really worried if they were going to be good or not, but I actually felt really good about it," Danielle Dostally, a junior sociology major, said.

The duo is known for its YouTube covers of popular songs like "Under The Sea" from The Little Mermaid and the hit song "I Choose U" from its 2014 album, "After Hours."

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Nicholas Petricca, the lead singer of Walk the Moon, above, sings during the Back to the Brook concert in the Island Federal Credit Union Arena on Thursday, Sept. 17. Timeflies and In Loving Memory also performed that night.

## Stony Brook to ban tobacco on campuses starting in 2016

By Jessica Chin  
Contributing Writer

The use of tobacco products will be banned on all Stony Brook campuses starting Jan. 1, 2016, according to the tobacco-free policy approved by the Office of the President in July.

This policy will prohibit the use of tobacco products in all indoor and outdoor locations as well as in university transportation vehicles. The sale and advertisement of tobacco products will also be prohibited.

Some of the tobacco products defined in the policy include but are not limited to cigarettes,

electronic cigarettes, hookah-smoked products and oral and smokeless tobacco.

This tobacco-free initiative has been in the works since 2012 when the State University of New York Board of Trustees passed a resolution that called for the enactment of tobacco-free policies on SUNY campuses. Stony Brook was prepared to go forward with a tobacco-free policy in accordance with a proposed SUNY-wide tobacco ban.

However, the New York State Legislature failed to pass the bill during the 2013 legislative session. After that, Stanley and his then-Chief Deputy, Edward Summers,

announced they planned to go forth with a tobacco-ban even without a legislative ban.

Stony Brook would not be the first SUNY campus to implement a tobacco-free policy campus-wide. Currently, 11 other SUNY campuses are tobacco-free, including SUNY Buffalo and SUNY Oswego.

When asked about their thoughts on Stony Brook becoming a smoke-free campus, students were divided on the issue.

Several students said they thought the idea comes with good intentions, but believe enforcement of the ban would be difficult.

"If people are addicted to nicotine, getting them to stop is going

to be extremely difficult," Mitchell Swerdloff, a sophomore biochemistry major and a smoker said.

But some non-smokers disagreed.

"I can understand why people would say it's stepping on their freedom to choose to smoke but you're also choosing to step on the freedoms of the people who choose not to smoke," Nicole Lado, a freshman women's and gender studies major, said.

"The main priority is that you shouldn't jeopardize other people's health," Justin Cheung, a sophomore chemical engineering major, said.

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## Stanley announces new projects in State of the University

By Paula Pecorella  
Contributing Writer

Stony Brook University President Samuel L. Stanley Jr. excited students and faculty alike at his State of the University address on Sept. 16 with the announcement of several plans for the upcoming year, including plans to renovate Melville Library this winter, a \$19-million renovation of the Student Union and the continuing construction on the new Toll Drive residence hall.

Along with accolades to Stony Brook's highest scholars and award-winning professors, Stanley welcomed a number of new faculty

members, apprising them that Stony Brook is "absolutely committed to your success."

Stanley opened the address by welcoming new faculty and expressing gratitude for the work of those leaving the university this year. Stanley praised his faculty, calling them "absolutely critical" to the university's success.

"This is the most distinguished faculty in SUNY," Stanley said. "It's also one of the most distinguished faculty in the world."

He announced that Stony Brook is now the seventh most selective public university in the Association of Ameri-

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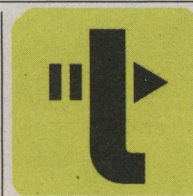


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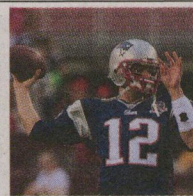
Stony Brook University President Samuel L. Stanley Jr., above, gives his State of the University address on Sept. 16.



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# NEWS

## Students unsatisfied with resolutions for on-campus housing shortage

By Anisah Abdullah  
Contributing Writer

The number of “tripled” dorm rooms at Stony Brook University has hit a record level this year, according to the Division of Campus Residences.

A triple occurs when a dorm room that typically holds two people instead houses three. Tripling happens when the number of residents exceeds the number of available rooms, thus forcing the doubled rooms to house an extra student each. Triples are mostly assigned to the freshmen class, but any resident can choose to live in a triple as well.

There are approximately 585 tripled rooms this fall, representing 7.1 percent of the total undergraduate bed spaces on campus, according to Alan DeVries, the associate director of residential programs and administrative services and the director of conference housing.

Last fall, there were only about 450 triples, constituting 5.5 percent of the total bed spaces, he said in an email. DeVries explained that such a spike in numbers partly stems from the fact that fewer accepted students are commuters this year.

“The increase to a great extent is the result of higher renewal rates of returning students as well as the growth of students coming from outside the metropolitan area who are more likely to require on-campus housing than students who enroll from local communities,” he said. “The application rate of new Freshmen and Transfers is actually unchanged from prior years.”

Regardless of the reason, many students are unhappy being tripled. Sam Rodriguez and Salvatore Del-

prince, two freshmen living in triples in Greeley College, said that they would rather be living in doubles.

“I don’t feel comfortable being in my room,” Rodriguez said, “and I only found out four days before moving in that I would have two roommates.”

Delprince was lucky in that his room has three desks, while many triples are only furnished with two. When asked about compensation, he said “we got a portable phone charger, but I don’t even use it.”

In addition, each student placed in a triple is given a 15 percent discount on his or her room for the semester, according to the tripling FAQ page on the Campus Residences website.

The credit is posted to the resident’s student account after he or she is offered the opportunity to detriple.

Krystal Cunningham and Marissa Joy, two juniors who live in Dreiser College in Tabler Quad, said they were just as unhappy when they were tripled in the same room as freshmen.

“There wasn’t room for three people,” Cunningham said. “I had to store some of my belongings in the common room because it couldn’t fit in my room.”

However, they were only tripled for about a week before they were given the chance to detriple.

“Each room is assigned a lottery number at the beginning of the fall semester, and spaces are detripled in that order, as vacancies in the quad are identified,” the tripling FAQ page states. “While some rooms will be detripled relatively quickly, it is possible that your room may not be detripled this academic year.”

The detripling lottery list can be viewed on the tripling page



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**The 759-bed Toll Drive residence hall, above, is still under construction and is expected to open for Fall 2016. It will bring the total campus housing inventory to over 10,300 beds.**

on the Campus Residences website.

Although tripling does not happen at the Brookhaven Residential Village, or BRV, dorms on Dowling College’s Shirley campus, some of its residents are left feeling unsatisfied as well.

BRV houses approximately 200 Stony Brook students on the second and third floors, while Dowling College students live mostly on the first floor of the building, according to Hannah Sahawneh, a senior-year resident assistant at BRV.

She said that Stony Brook transfer students randomly get placed there because there is no more room on campus. However, some students have requested to return to

BRV this academic year.

In terms of dissatisfaction among residents, Sahawneh said that although there is more space in their dorms, including kitchen areas and two bathrooms per suite, residents tell her that they wish they were on campus due to the distance. It takes BRV students approximately 35 minutes to get to school via bus.

To fix this problem, she said that the RAs try very hard to create that on-campus feeling by hosting frequent events with the assistance of their student life specialist, Michael Austin.

Students have the option to move to a different quad on campus the following academic year.

“New students who accept this housing assignment are guaranteed on-campus housing on the Stony Brook campus in the Fall 2016 semester, contingent upon completion of all registration and housing renewal processes by the appropriate deadlines,” Stony Brook’s BRV website states.

Due to the abundance of resident students, the university is building a new dorm building located on Stony Brook’s Toll Drive that is expected to open for Fall 2016.

It will consist of 759 more beds, bringing the total campus housing inventory to over 10,300 beds, according to the Campus Residences website.

## Stanley reveals upcoming library renovations

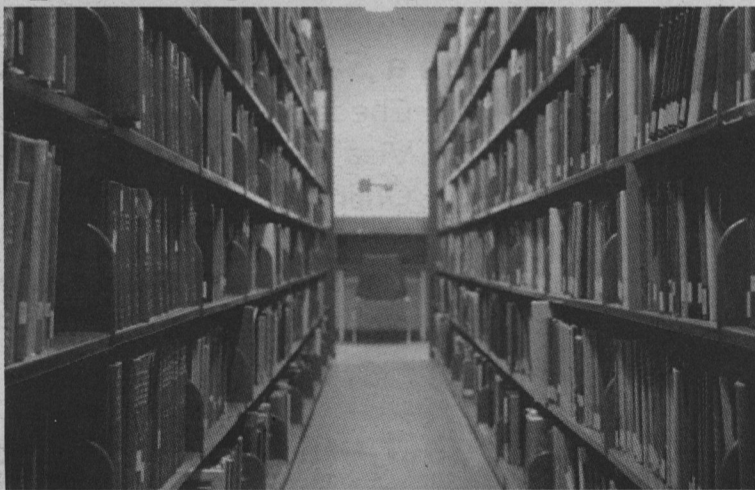
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can Universities and that of its 25,000 students, the quality is the highest it has ever been in terms of SAT scores and GPA. Though U.S. News & World Report ranked the university as the 37th best public university in the country, Stanley said the goal for Stony Brook is to be among the top 20 universities in the United States in upcoming years.

“We can do better,” Stanley said as he revealed for the first time plans to renovate Melville Library. The project, set to begin in December and conclude before the beginning of the next fall semester, was met with a cheer of approval from the audience as computer-generated images of the future look of the library appeared on a slideshow behind the president. New furniture, upgraded learning spaces and “lots and lots of electrical outlets,” Stanley said, were just a few of the innovations the new “Knowledge Commons” would feature.

“It’s fun to hear about the exciting things that are happening,” Anna Sweet, senior budget analyst at the university, said. “The Melville Library being redone is really cool. From our perspective, it’s all very exciting being able to look forward to managing new projects and things of that nature.”

“These great students and this great faculty needs facilities and infrastructure to help them succeed,” Stanley



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**Melville Library, above, will be upgraded with new furniture and electrical outlets, President Stanley said.**

said as he applauded the opening of the new computer science building.

Stanley also noted progress on the new Medical and Research Translation building and hospital pavilion, which will include the Children’s Hospital.

“It’s going to change the face of the East Campus,” Stanley said about the \$480-million project — one of the largest Stony Brook has ever taken on.

Stanley outlined several new initiatives to address social issues around campus, such as HeForShe to promote gender equity, the Green Dot program to end violence on campus, StandUp to stop bullying and Safe Space for LGBT students.

Stanley then shifted his focus to

income equity and the commitment Stony Brook has to its Educational Opportunity Program students. While noting that Consumer Digest ranked Stony Brook among the top five U.S. public colleges and universities offering the most academic value per dollar, he placed importance on access to education, calling the economic and social mobility of students a “core part of our mission.”

“I think Stony Brook is going in the right direction,” Cordia Beverley, the assistant dean for community health policy at Stony Brook’s School of Medicine, said. “As a resident of New York state and as a faculty member, I’m very proud of what we are accomplishing here.”

## SBU to join 11 SUNY campuses in tobacco ban

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having designated smoke-areas would be a good alternative solution. Swerdloff suggests having designated smoking areas in lower traffic areas.

“For example, if there are two routes to get someplace, have the lower traffic route include a designated smoke spot; that way, non-smokers would have the option to walk the other way.”

However, the university has decided to not have designated areas for smokers on campus once the policy takes effect, Lauren Shepro, the university’s spokeswoman, said in an email. Stony Brook came to this decision after observing other colleges and consulting an expert from the National Center for Tobacco Policy.

The administration believes that making a clean break from tobacco and smoking product-use on campus would help to avoid ambiguity and confusion, Shepro said.

On enforcement, Shepro said that the policy is not intended to be punitive for smokers or to force them to stop smoking. Instead, the policy’s mission is meant to educate and promote the reduction of tobacco use of individuals on campus.

Shepro noted that the university offers tobacco cessation program services for students who would like to quit tobacco use.

The Student Health Center has a Nicotine Replacement Therapy program that offers nicotine gum and patches to students at no cost. Additionally, the university’s employee wellness initiative, “Healthier U,” includes a free smoking cessation program that offers techniques to stop smoking as well as stress management and relaxation methods.

Swerdloff has been aware of the cessation programs but believes they are not widely publicized. That might change soon with the enactment of the new policy.

To help promote the policy, Stony Brook will be launching a tobacco-free website that will provide resources and information related to the tobacco-free campus initiative, Shepro said. Additional promotional materials are in development.


Swerdloff contends that the policy will not change his mind: “I’ll quit smoking when I’m ready to quit smoking, not based off a policy that the university is enacting.”

Lado, however, is more optimistic about the policy. She said “it’ll put smokers in a tough position but it’ll give them the extra push to quit.”

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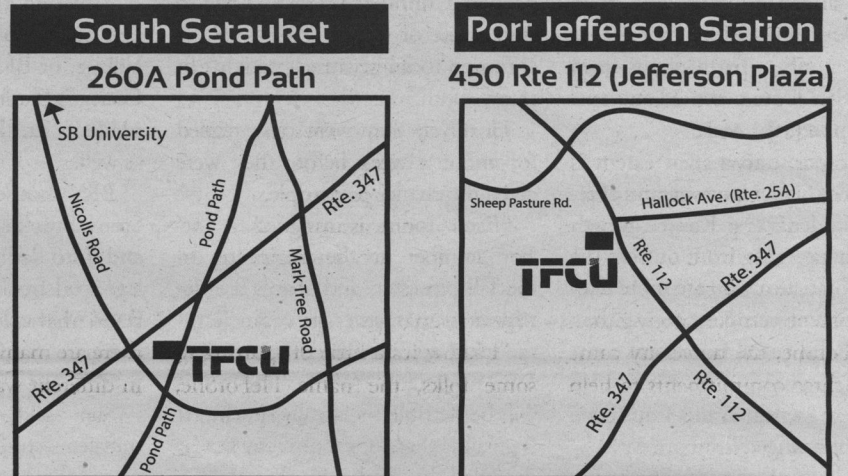
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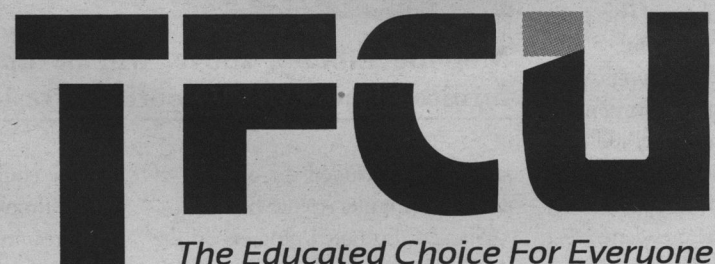
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## Partnership with HeForShe initiative brings optimism and controversy

By Jill Ryan and  
Brittany Tesoriero  
*Contributing Writers*

One year after the launch of HeForShe, a campaign started by U.N. Women that calls upon boys and men to become advocates for gender equality, Stony Brook has solidified its partnership with the campaign.

U.N. Women started its ground-work by introducing IMPACT 10x10x10, a concept in which 10 universities, 10 corporations, and 10 countries around the world commit that they would achieve U.N. Women's overarching goal: gender equality.

Stony Brook is one of two universities — the other being Georgetown University in Washington D.C. — in the entire country that was chosen to be a part of the 10 university global initiative, Charles Robbins, vice provost for undergraduate education and dean of the Undergraduate Colleges, said.

"It's something that we as a community should be very proud of, that we have taken this stand and are willing to work on it," Robbins said. "We were selected and announced by the U.N. [as] 1 of 10."

The other universities involved include Oxford University and the University of Hong Kong — "really amazing, amazing universities," Robbins said. In accordance with the agreement between Stony Brook and HeForShe, the university came up with three commitments to help further gender equality.

The goals are to "close the gap between men and women beginning at convocation and ending at gradua-

tion," to "use Stony Brook University's Center for the Study of Men and Masculinities to build global understanding of the role for men in achieving gender equality" and to "integrate gender equality into the academic and social experience of Stony Brook University," according to a university news release.

"We have been working on HeForShe literally since the first day there was HeForShe," Robbins said. "September 20, 2014, Stony Brook was there when Emma Watson gave that talk that became the viral video about HeForShe. We were literally in the house, in the U.N. headquarters."

However this campaign is not flawless, senior psychology major Richelle Powell said. She said that the campaign excludes certain groups, including men themselves.

"So it's great that this campaign exists, but I think the campaign needs a lot of work," Powell, the secretary of the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance, said. "What will these men and boys do after making the pledge and how do we know that they've done anything? Also, while gender inequality affects women a lot more than men, men deal with gender inequality in some ways too and it's important to acknowledge that."

Robbins responded to these concerns by reassuring that HeForShe does not intentionally exclude anyone; it is, in fact, meant to benefit everyone.

"I know it's a little off-putting to some folks, the name HeForShe, [but it] is really engaging everybody towards gender equality," Robbins said. "Historically, the reason that this is important [was because] is-

ues around gender equality were seen as a women's issue. What we're saying is that when gender equality is achieved, it benefits everybody. It benefits men; it benefits women."

Teresa Tagliaferri, a senior health science and sociology double major, raised concerns that the campaign itself only refers to people who identify as men or women.

"We also have to recognize that the title 'HeForShe' could be more gender inclusive rather than reinforcing the gender binary that exists in our society," Tagliaferri said.

Following Stony Brook's agreement with HeForShe, on Aug. 23, 2015, the university required all first year students, except for transfers/commuters, to attend a HeForShe program to inform the students about the movement.

"There were six presentations that day, and during one of them [the presentation for the Undergraduate College of Arts, Culture and Humanities] ... the students felt that we weren't being sensitive," Robbins said, referring concerns like Tagliaferri's.

Robbins said he recognizes these concerns and emphasizes that it is only the beginning and there is a plan to expand.

"We recognize that the wording of 'HeForShe' sounds like there's just this binary relationship and there's just men and there's just women," Robbins said. "But we do understand that there are many genders, there are many sexes. People identify in different ways. We are looking to engage all people around equality for all people and hopefully, within that context, we can really make an impact."

## Police Blotter

On Wednesday, Sept. 9, money was reported stolen from a wallet in the Student Union. The case remains open.

On Wednesday, Sept. 9, a bicycle lock was cut at Langmuir College. The victim refused to press charges. The case is now closed.

On Wednesday, Sept. 9, a car was keyed in Tabler Quad. The case remains open.

On Thursday, Sept. 10, a man allegedly lit a marijuana joint in front of an officer on Roosevelt Drive. The man was arrested.

On Thursday, Sept. 10, police arrested a driver on Circle Road near the Wang Center on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol.

On Thursday, Sept. 10, an odor of marijuana was reported in Hand College. The case is now closed.

On Thursday, Sept. 10, a car accident occurred at the Student Union. One party fled. The case remains open.

On Thursday, Sept. 10, a bike was reported stolen from Melville Library. The case remains open.

On Thursday, Sept. 10, students allegedly smoked marijuana on a balcony in Eisenhower College. Police issued a student referral.

On Friday, Sept. 11, a driver was allegedly found with a gravity knife near Tabler Drive. Police arrested the driver.

On Friday, Sept. 11, cash was reported missing from a wallet in Dutchess Hall. The case remains open.

On Friday, Sept. 11, a patient allegedly struck a nurse at the University Hospital. The nurse refused to press charges. The case is now closed.

On Saturday, Sept. 12, the driver of a Silver Chrysler 300 was arrested after allegedly being found driving under the influence of alcohol at double the legal blood alcohol level limit at the exit to northbound Nicolls Road.

On Sunday, Sept. 13, the fence at the South Gate was cut, possibly with a reciprocating saw. The case remains open.

On Sunday, Sept. 13, \$160 was reportedly taken from an account at Benedict College. The case remains open.

Compiled by Brittany Bernstein

## Stony Brook professor demands day of remembrance for racial injustice on 9/11

By Michaela Kilgallen  
*Assistant News Editor*

A Stony Brook professor garnered social media attention after she issued a series of tweets on Sept. 11 calling for a day of remembrance to honor the black and indigenous people who faced racism in the United States.

"Where is the reverence for the enslaved?" Crystal Fleming, an associate professor of sociology and Africana studies, tweeted. "For the victims of racial terror perpetrated by the state? Where is the call to 'never forget'?"

Fleming stood by her tweets, stating that she gives social commentary similar to this on a daily basis.

"If it is true that some people feel that racism should only be talked about on certain days, I would find that to be a very sad and unfortunate perspective," Fleming wrote in an email.

"The notion that there are certain days, or weeks or months of the year when we should not discuss race strikes me as very odd and potentially dangerous."

The chain of tweets consisted of about 30 posts with the most popular garnering over 350 retweets and 280 favorites.

"Why doesn't the United States have a national day of memory for the millions of black and indigenous people lost to slav-

ery and genocide?" the tweet read.

Fleming continued: "No national recognition. No national acceptance of responsibility. No national acknowledgment of the on-going terror."

The College Fix, a higher education news website, picked up the story highlighting Fleming's remarks on the 14th anniversary of the terrorist attacks.

"9/11 — and other public days of commemoration and mourning — gives us an opportunity to make connections between different forms of violence and terror, both external and internal, in order to build awareness and compassion for the different kinds of suffering that affect diverse communities of people in our country and outside of it," Fleming said. "I try to do this work on a daily basis throughout the year."

Through her account, Fleming also accused 2016 democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton of participating in white supremacy. Fleming commented, "The only break we want you to take is a break from white supremacy. Can you do that Hillary? Can you do that?" in a retweet of Clinton's.

"It is very important that students and everyday citizens alike understand the difference between opposing white supremacy — a form of racial oppression — and being 'anti-white,'" Fleming



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**It has become a tradition at Stony Brook University to place pinwheels on the grass by the library in remembrance of those who served and were lost in the 9/11 attacks.**

said in defense of the comments.

Fleming tweeted these opinions from her personal Twitter account, which she attempts to keep separate from her professional account. Her syllabus includes the statement:

"I try to maintain fairly strict boundaries between my public writing and social media presence and the classroom. I'm not your teacher on my personal social media accounts, so please do not engage with

me on Facebook or Twitter while you are an undergraduate student at Stony Brook University."

Fleming was on leave from Stony Brook as a Woodrow Wilson Career Enhancement fellow for the 2014-2015 academic year, according to her website. She is back for the Fall 2015 semester teaching "Ethics and Race Relations."

One of Fleming's areas of academic interest is the collective

memory and slavery. She wrote a book entitled "Resurrecting Slavery" and plans to release another called "Colored Knowledge."

"I often try to make links between how these difficult and painful issues are handled in various nations," Fleming said. "Drawing connections between the history and on-going practice of racism and white supremacy in Europe, the United States and elsewhere."

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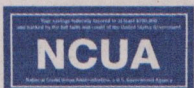
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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Marching band makes surprise performance at Back to the Brook

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"I got great responses from the students," USG Vice President of Communications and Public Relations Brody Hooper said. "Many of them were commenting on how they did not know who Timeflies was, but now they love them."

Due to contracting, media access was prohibited. However, Shapiro was very conversational during the performance and interacted well with the college-age audience, with comments like "Ya'll have to stay up on that Adderall and Red-bull."

He related to those struggling on the five-year plan. He described how he took more than four years to complete his bachelor's degree, "finally" graduating from Tufts University in Massachusetts where he met producer of Timeflies, Resnick.

"They were really inspirational when they talked about the rough patches they have been through," Justin Jacob, a junior engineering major and event staff, said.

Dostally was one of the many audience members impressed by how the pair incorporated aspects of Stony Brook culture into its remix of "Cheerleader" by OMI.

Shapiro read off two pages of pre-prepared raps, giving shout-outs to on and off-campus favorites like The Bench Bar and Grill, Seaport Deli, the Staller

Steps and Schafer's Seafood Restaurant.

Timeflies finished off the performance with its more popular songs, like a remix of "Can't Stop, Won't Stop," by Miley Cyrus and hit songs "Swoon" and "I Choose U."

"Their freestyle was the best," Dylan Marzano, a senior marketing major, said. "They should have ended with that."

Walk The Moon had some students shutting up and dancing, and others dancing out the door.

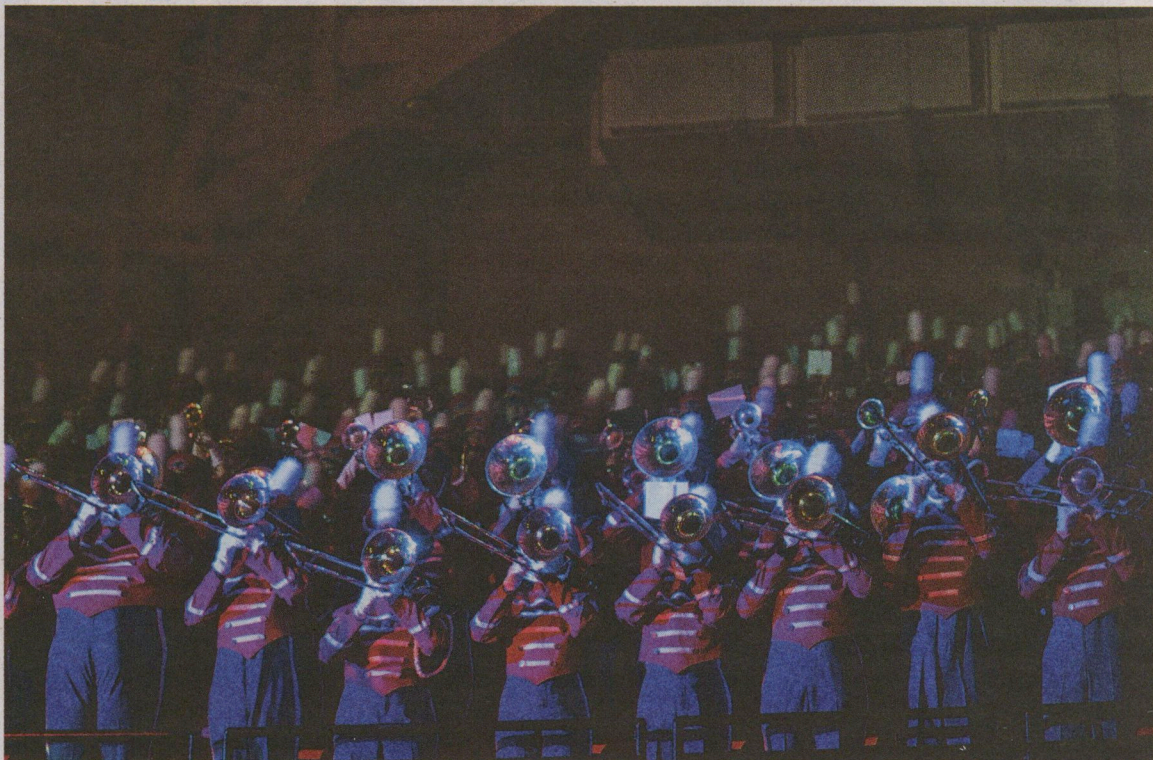
"It was great, it could have been a lot better. [USG] should have taken into account the music that is popular at the time and play music that reflects that," Stephanie Castro, a junior mathematics major, said.

Even with the mix of emotions regarding the choice in genres, USG President Cole Lee said he still received "an overwhelming amount of positive feedback."

"That is what Back To The Brook is all about," Lee said. "Giving Stony Brook students some awesome memories and maximizing the student experience for all."

The band opened with a rendition of The Lion King's "Circle of Life" and transitioned into one of its more popular songs, "Sidekick."

The Spirit of Stony Brook Marching Band then came out for a secret surprise performance. In only four days, the marching



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The Spirit of Stony Brook Marching Band, above, surprised the audience when it came out to perform the hit song "Shut Up and Dance" for Walk The Moon's last song.

band successfully organized a spin of "Shut Up and Dance" in a key different from the music played during halftime scheduled for this football season.

"All of the sudden they come in with their uniforms," Nicole Scarotzzi, a sophomore political science major, said. "They embraced Stony Brook culture."

Even with changes and shifts in keys and only one sound check a few hours before the concert,

the marching band accepted the challenge.

"The best part of the concert was the last ten minutes when the band came out," Tony Huynh, senior business major, said.

Baton twirler Kaylyn Ahrenstein found out only hours before the show that she would be performing on stage.

However, she said it was a college experience she would never forget.

Ahrenstein, along with the rest of the band, was able to meet Walk the Moon.

She described them as "really fun," which radiates through the music they play.

The band's look was complete with the feathered hat, otherwise known as the shako and plumes during the performance.

"I would have never said no," Ahrenstein said, "I would make it work because it was worth it."

## New music app Trebel hits Stony Brook campus

By Krysten Massa  
Multimedia Editor

A new app by M&M Media called Trebel Music has just been released for Stony Brook students to download.

Stony Brook was one of the few universities that was chosen to try out the app. Other universities include UCLA and Troy University.

I know what you may be thinking: Why do we need another music app?

other music app?

I am a Spotify user, so when I heard about this app, I was skeptical that it would be better than what I have been using.

However, I then spoke on the phone with CEO at M&M Gary Mekikian and COP of M&M, Corey Jones.

We participated in a conference call as they walked me through a pre-release version of the app on the computer. I have to say, I was impressed.

Trebel Music combines social media with music sharing. It allows users to create their own profile page where they can make different playlists. There are a couple of factors that set this app apart from other music apps, like Spotify and Pandora.

**1. Everything is totally free.** It is free to download the app and it is free to download songs. What the app does is give you virtual money. You receive points when you do certain things,

like download songs or albums. When I downloaded the app on my phone I got a free virtual gift of 5,000 points. Your points are what allows you to download the songs. Then, when you rack up these points, you can use them to skip advertisements or buy virtual goods. Mekikian describes it as being like a game. These ads are the way that the company makes its money and can pay the artists who participate. Ads usually show up when you are downloading songs. Mekikian said that the idea is to put the ads in places where they do not disrupt the user.

**2. The app will sync with your iTunes account.** So that any song you have ever downloaded or bought off of iTunes will go onto the app. This feature is convenient because all of your music is in one place.

**3. The university becomes one big music community.** This app allows you to connect with other students at Stony Brook by adding that you are an SBU student on your profile. Once you have done this, you will be able to see the "top downloads" and "top plays" from students at SBU. You can download then download songs directly from these playlists. Similar to a social media app, with Trebel you "follow" other users. When you are following a user it allows you to see when they add songs to their own playlists.

**4. Taylor Swift fans, rejoice.** Anybody who uses Spotify as their primary source for music knows that you will not find Taylor Swift on there. If you're like me and you don't want to commit to being a Taylor Swift fan, but you enjoy the occasional listen to "Style" or "Wildest Dreams," this is disappointing. Trebel, however, does allow you to download Taylor Swift's music for free. It's a miracle.

**5. Sharing playlists:** You can develop playlists for your friends and then share it with them. This reminds me of back in the day when a boy would make a mix-tape for the girl that he liked. The idea of being able to share playlists with my boyfriend makes me really excited. But, I'm more excited to share with my sister, because she always finds cool music.

**6. The look:** When a user will see a CD looking thing spin around in the middle of your phone. Not only is this a cool design touch, but it is also functional. You can spin your finger around the "CD" to rewind or fast forward the song. The color also drags you in. Mekikian called it "the yellow app."

**7. When you are using the app, you are not using up your data.** As I mentioned, I am a Spotify user. I tend to keep my app playing even when I do not have

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Trebel music was developed by the California based music company M&M Media. In 2014, the company partnered with record labels to debut the app at universities.

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Stony Brook's EDM club is fairly new on campus. EDM developed on the music scene in the late 2000s. House music, techno and dubstep fall under this category of music.

## A club that raves together stays together

By Jessica Carnabuci  
Contributing Writer

Stony Brook University's Electronic Dance Music club brings a new sound to Stony Brook's student organizations.

The club looks to hold more events and having a larger impact on campus since its start last year.

The inspiration for the club was electric dance music, also known as EDM, and EDM culture as a whole, senior psychology and business major Inessa Royt said. Royt is the club's founder and first president.

"I wanted to create a club where anybody that hasn't found a place to fit in can feel free to express themselves without judgement," Royt said.

The club was officially recognized by Stony Brook University in Fall 2014.

Prior to that, the club existed as a Facebook group for about half a year.

According to Royt, students used the group to post about anything EDM-related.

"The Facebook group has nearly 300 students so far. There's always people posting mixes, both their own or something cool they heard online," Royt said.

The club also has a Facebook page that currently has 75 likes.

Student feedback has been very positive so far. The club made its first appearance at the Involvement Fair this semester.

"Starting a club is hard but I think we've found a good group of people who are genuinely interested in what we're trying to do," senior psychology major and club's current secretary Nicole Davis said.

The e-board members did not know what to expect for the Involvement Fair, but according to Syed Shahrez Zahid, a sophomore biochemistry and studio art major and the club's public relations official and events coordinator, the club's growth has been extremely organic so far.

According to Zahid, the club is very laid-back and appealed to a lot of people at the Involvement Fair.

This is because it is not an additional stress on students.

"When the club was beginning, we didn't have an agenda," Zahid

said. "It just kind of grew out of nowhere."

Shakia Miller, a freshman biology major, said that she thinks the club is a good idea because "a lot of people are into EDM and would enjoy having an option to actually be a part of a club."

The club currently has a weekly podcast that gets posted in its Facebook group.

The podcast includes a track-list of songs created by the members of the club's e-board and is shared on the club's SoundCloud account.

"There has been a few so far, but now it's going to be more often," Royt said.

The club began posting podcasts this summer and will now be posted on a weekly basis in the Facebook group.

The club also hopes to get a radio show started on WUSB, which would benefit the club in terms of public relations, Zahid said.

The radio shows if initiated, would most likely include music that members of the club like, or music that was created by club members.

The show would also be open to submissions from people who are not in the club.

It would act as a good way to get people involved in creating music and getting people's music heard, Zahid said.

"There's a lot of ideas, there's a lot of almost confirmed by a lot of the e-board members, but it all needs to be discussed and confirmed," Zahid said, adding that the confirmation will happen very soon.

The EDM club also hopes to soon have weekly shows with UCafé, which according to Zahid, are still in the process of being booked.

"A lot of students on campus are very interested in EDM music and culture but as we are a new club, we must work to become more known on campus and to plan more meetups," Royt said.

Royt is hoping that the club can do more activities at meetings in the future, including playing music and bracelet making.

"Maybe in the future we can have workshops for people who dance and shuffle as well," Royt said.

By Alex Blanc  
Contributing Writer

*Fall is a magical time of year. The leaves are turning Instagram-worthy shades of red and orange, the Pumpkin Spice Latte is back and sweater weather is rapidly approaching. What more could anyone want? If you need more than a cozy sweater, a PSL in hand and a ton of likes on Instagram and are looking for something to do before winter strikes, look no further.*

**1. Borella's Farm Stand: 485 Edgewood Ave, Saint James**  
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Borella's is surely a great warm-up for Halloween. Just think about all the possible pumpkin carving creations!

**2. Benner's Farm: 56 Gnarled Hollow Rd, Setauket**  
Phone: 631-862-7330 | Open Weekends starting Sept. 26.

More pumpkins and hayrides close to campus! If you have schoolwork to blow off on Oct. 11, you should check out their Fall Harvest Festival.



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According to "SBU Happenings" the second annual Fall Festival will be on Oct. 7. It will feature WUSB90.1 streaming live and performances from faculty and student groups.

The club is hoping to hold its first big event soon in collaboration with another club or organization on campus, Royt said. The details are still being worked out.

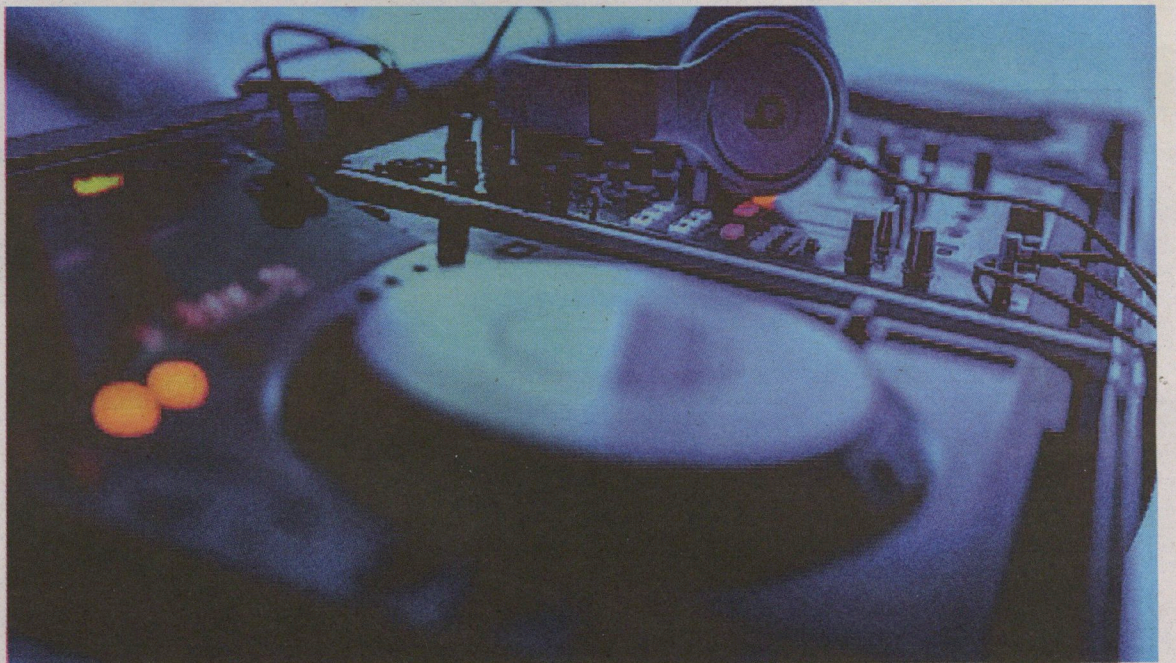


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EDM music is used by many DJs to mix tracks for raves and different music festivals.

where there will be plenty of food, games, music, and other basic activities that you'll love.

**3. Harbes Orchard: 5698 Sound Ave, Riverhead**  
Phone: 631-369-1111 | Open Weekends 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Harbes Orchard is one of the best apple-picking sites on Long Island. If you are craving apple cider donuts and a crisp fall breeze Harbes is the place to be. With multiple festivals in October, you will not want to miss this fall gem.

**4. Chamber of Horrors: 1745 Express Dr, Hauppauge**  
Phone: 516-710-1845 | Open Weekends starting Oct. 2.

This place definitely lives up to its name. Chamber of Horrors is your best bet for scaring all of your friends. This fall the Chamber of Horrors is debuting the Trilogy of Fear, their all new scare experience.

If you are ready for Christmas to come early, their "A Very Scary Xmas" features cannibalistic elves. 'Tis the season to be scary.

**5. Pole Position Raceway: 40 Daniel St, Farmingdale**  
Phone: 631-752-7223 | Open Everyday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For those who rather kick a pumpkin than carve one and those rather not see another apple tree selfie again, you get an adrenaline rush at Pole Position Raceway. With multiple tracks and karts that are engineered to go over 40 mph, you will want to head there soon.

**6. Sweet Hollow Road: Sweet Hollow Road, South Huntington**

Warning! You might not live to see another day. One of the most famous haunted spots on Long Island, Sweet Hollow Road is home to tons of spooky sights. If you dare go, look for Mary of "Mary's Grave" and three boys hanging from the bridge.

**7. Amityville Horror House: 112 Ocean Ave, Amityville**

Although it is not open to the public, the house is definitely worth seeing in person. Nothing screams Halloween more than the Amityville Horror House. After, have a Netflix marathon of American Horror Story: Murder House for a sleepless night.

# Free downloads, sharing and more with new Trebel Music app at Stony Brook

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not have Wi-Fi and I am constantly going over my data limit for the month.

With Trebel when you download a song it is not streaming it to your phone, but actually downloading it to your phone.

"You download the music when you are connected to your Wifi network, and then it is sitting on your device and you can play it anytime you want," Mekikian said.

This brings me to my next point: Storage.

**8. The storage is unlimited.** While the app does take up storage on your phone, you will never run out of room due to the app's content.

Mekikian talked about how

Trebel Music has created an algorithm that watches the amount of disc space each user has on their phone.

He said that when your storage gets too low, Trebel will send you a notification, but what Trebel will also do is stash the songs that you have not listened to in a number of months onto your own cloud on the app's server.

Then, when you want to listen to that music, it is put back onto your device so that you can play it.

**9. The app is directed toward college kids, but not restricted.** Though the app is geared toward college campuses, it does not have to be used in that way.

The idea of being able to connect with your university through the app is awesome, but eventually anybody will be able

to download the app. You are also able to share playlists with anybody who has the app, not just other people from your campus.

Mekikian said that the reason the app is targeted at college students is because they do not have money to pay for music. After trying the app out on some college campuses, the app will then be debuted for some high schools.

Now, of course, us college kids hear the word "free" and we come running. Based on the virtual run-through I went on of this app, I give it two thumbs up. I have downloaded the app and so far, it does what it said it would.

If you would like to try the app out for yourself you can download it at <http://www.trebel.io>, or you can search for it in the app store.

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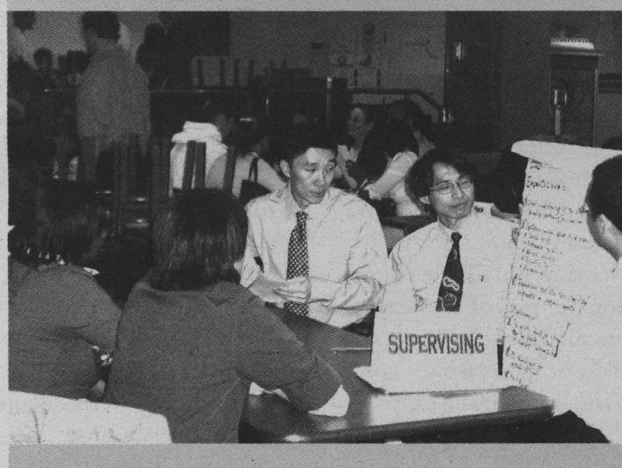
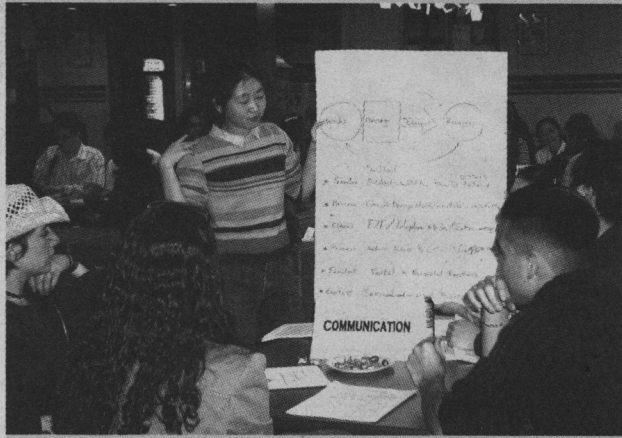
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# OPINIONS

## Dear New England Patriots, I'm "almost" breaking up with you

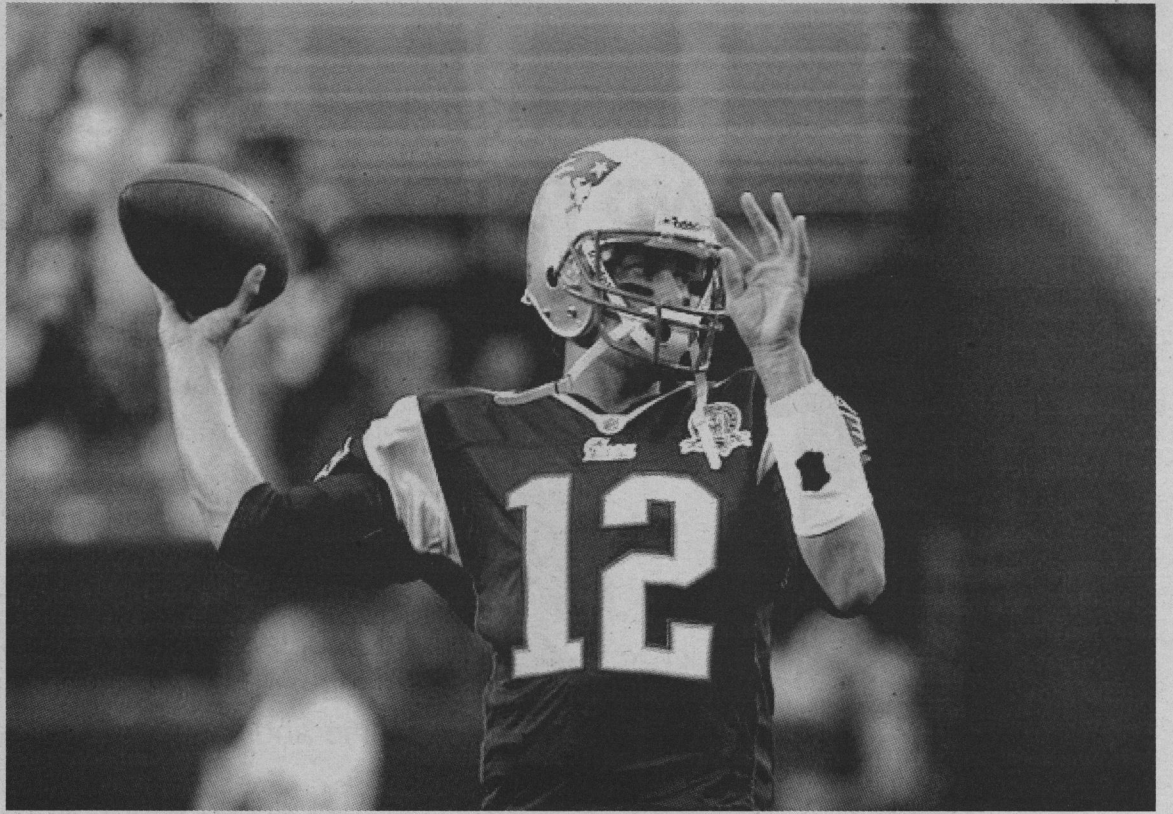


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**Tom Brady, above, a three-time Super Bowl MVP, has led the Patriots since 2001. Since then, the team has won four championships and been through two major scandals.**

By Christopher Leelum  
*Opinions Editor*

I've never been anywhere near Boston, but I've been a diehard New England Patriots fan for over a decade.

I was born into a New York Giants family, but that all changed in 2001.

"Root for the Patriots, they're the underdogs," I faintly remember someone telling me as I watched them defeat the St. Louis Rams in Super Bowl XXXVI.

Well alright then, I thought. And that was it. That was how it all started.

Last Tuesday, ESPN's "Outside the Lines" released a thorough, damning report in which every Patriot-hater was given the greatest amount of ammunition behind the accusations. But with the start of another glorious football season two days away, who had time to pay attention to that?

I felt bewildered. Betrayed. Bewitched.

Now, after three more glorious championship wins and two heartbreaking losses to Eli Manning's resting clueless face, I don't know what to do.

I read the whole report, and then read it again. It included: a "library" of opponents' material, including play signal information from as far back as 2001, Patriots staff stealing play sheets from locker rooms and swiping playbooks from team hotels, the jamming radio headsets and hiring ex-players from upcoming opponents to translate play signals.

But cheating isn't the problem. Every team in the NFL cheats or has cheated before. Just go to [yourteamcheats.com](http://yourteamcheats.com); you'll find that the Patriots are "a touch below average" cheaters while the Jets are ranked second in cheating since the NFL's inception

("Elite NFL cheaters." Clearly they need to start working on that again).

The problem is getting caught and what ensues after the fact.

The whole Spygate issue, in which the Pats were caught filming opponents' practices, heightened concerns but was resolved within a week. Reporters found that punishments to the organization were dealt even before league investigators arrived at Foxborough, Massachusetts to look for tapes.

After the library was discovered, and under Commissioner Roger Goodell's own orders, most of the information was destroyed, leaving only little information for the rest of the league and the media to chew on.

This is not surprising, considering the long friendship of Patriot's owner Robert Kraft and Goodell.

"I was wrong to put my faith in the league," Kraft said years later during the Deflategate paranoia. But what he actually meant was, "Roger, I thought we had something. I thought we were bros, but what you're really doing is making up for past mistakes. I thought we pushed this under the rug, bro."

It seems to me that the grand scheme of NFL corruption in this case goes something like this: Kraft and Goodell have been bros for a while. Patriots head coach Bill Belichick is a loophole-finding mad scientist who found the perfect environment to let his successful experiment roam free, unpunished.

That is until Spygate, when Kraft and Goodell kissed and made up within a week. But Belichick's experiment, like Frankenstein's monster, evolved on its own, as the Patriots' "cheater" label followed them everywhere. Deflategate was Goodell's chance to finally do some right by the

rest of the NFL and go after those pesky Pats.

In court, the battle has seemingly ended. For the NFL, a professional itself in dodging bullets, this situation will be forgotten in decades.

For me, well, I don't know what to make of it.

The evidence remains, and as much as I love my team, my journalistic instincts cannot be ignored.

What I know is that the Patriots have cheated along with every other team. They have been good enough at it for at least four awesome Super Bowl wins. They have succeeded even after the Spygate scandal.

To me, if you're an NFL fan, you need to be able to live with rampant cheating, corruption, player safety indifference and an overall money-hungry American machine. I don't think I can live with that. Maybe I'm just too righteous.

I still think Tom Brady is the greatest quarterback of all time, and Belichick is one of the greatest coaches. I still love my team, even though half-man, half-horse Eli Manning stole a perfect season from them.

But I would be compromising my own philosophical views if I continue to root for a cheating team in a harmful game run by an organization teeming with corruption. It would mean supporting a "money over everything" doctrine.

So my dear Thomas Edward Patrick Brady Jr., and my love William Stephen Belichick, I shall only enjoy you for so much longer. When your success has come to an end and you both leave the New England Patriots organization, I think our time together will be over.

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## A Pope with a paramount personality

By Jager Robinson  
Staff Writer

"The Pope" is a strange term to utter nowadays. Pope Benedict XVI's strange demeanor and evil looks probably did not help the previous situation. It also didn't help that his name had come up when discussing Hitler Youth. But now, Pope Francis, or "Pope Franny," as he is dubbed by some, is changing the Pope's public perception for the better.

Pope Franny is set to make his first stateside appearance this week in New York City, even stopping for a meet-and-greet in Central Park. This event is set to hold more than 100,000 people and ticket sales are already through the roof.

But why is this one man so popular?

To be fair, Pope Benedict drew similar numbers in his appearance in the United States, but what isn't shown in numbers is the staggering number of non-Catholics paying attention to Pope Franny's events.

Pope Franny's biggest message seems to be that of total acceptance, regardless of whether or not it conforms to the old Catholic traditions. He seems okay with simply accepting the fact that everyone should share in some sort of spiritual bonding, in-

stead of forcing one religion upon the world. This is incredibly important.

If you are considering this for the first time, or at least acknowledging all this man has done for the first time, just take a ride with me in the papal motorcade for a moment to explore the importance of Pope Franny.

Let's start with his early life, a period that could only be described as "eventful." Not only was Pope Franny a chemical technician in the '70s, but he was also a bouncer at an Argentinian night club, a job he worked to make some extra cash.

If that doesn't scream Pope, I don't know what does.

Pope Franny began his papacy in an unorthodox and surprising style by stating that his time as pontiff was going to be short and powerful.

In his first months, he not only expressed his concern with the lack of pure Catholicism among followers, but urged them to accept all religions. This was a sentiment that surely made more than a few Cardinals redder than their robes, causing one to say, "This papacy is like a rudderless ship."

Pope Franny would then continue to flex his papal muscles. He advocated for human evolution and the theory of evolution, supported Nikola Tesla's claim that humans should be

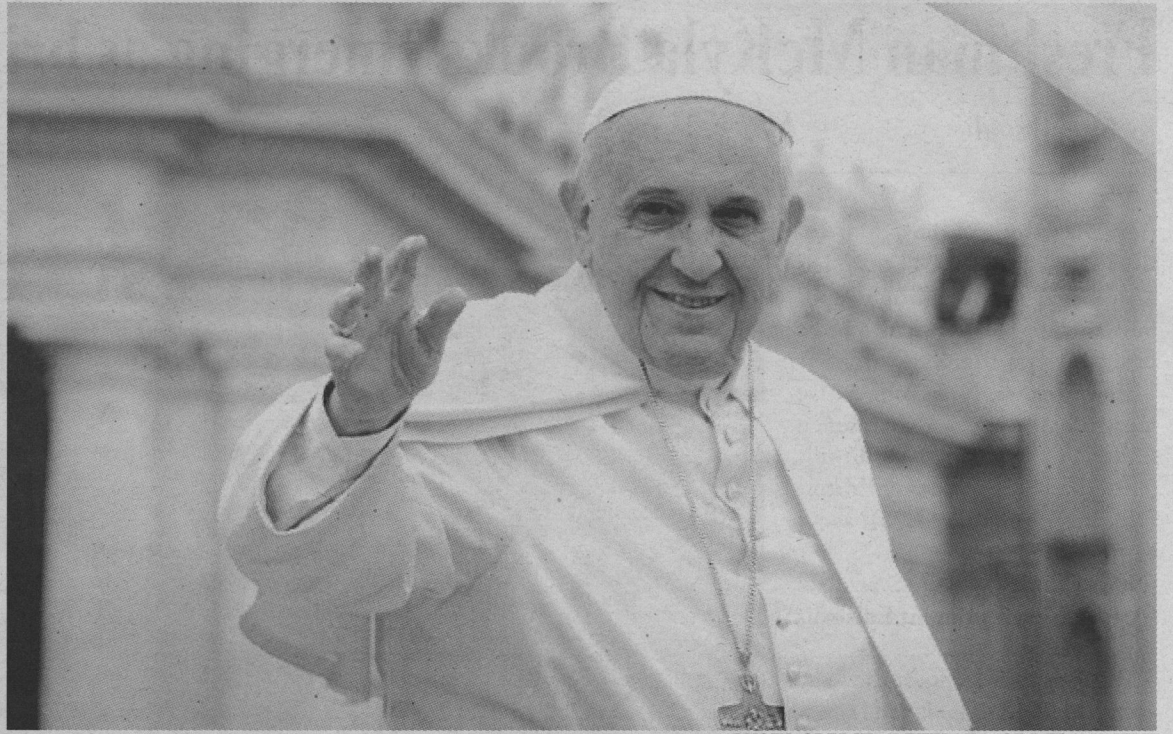


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**Pope Francis, above, will make his New York City debut on Sept. 24 at St. Patrick's Cathedral. He will also lead mass the following night at Madison Square Garden.**

off fossil fuels by 2030, and allowed women to be forgiven for abortions, which approximately 24 percent of U.S. Catholics disapprove of in all circumstances.

He even set a standard for clergymen by excommunicating hundreds of priests who were convicted or accused of various crimes including sexual assault and corruption.

This Pope just gets it. He understands what people want to hear in 2015.

As religious support is in a total

freefall, he understands that people don't want to hear the same tired religious spiel. Religion needs to take an immediate right turn if it wishes to survive past 2100. As humans become more interconnected, we see the different sides of life that religions claimed didn't exist or were fixed. We have seen the horrid nature of man and realized that human struggle is internal and consequential, not external and eternal.

For students on a college campus, the most important aspect of this topic is one simple idea—ac-

ceptance. The Pope preaches and urges people to accept all forms of life. He says to accept those around you and accept new ideas in front of you. Love those in your life unconditionally and help those less fortunate than you.

In a world that is ravaged by war and a massive refugee crisis, the world needs more Pope Franny: a man on a mission to prove that whether you are religious or not, you need common sense and a loving heart.

He's not the first person to preach this, but he certainly is the loudest.

## German Chancellor Angela Merkel is the leader the world must learn from

By Maurice Abernathy  
Contributing Writer

Hundreds of thousands flee. They flee the terror that is the radical ISIS regime. They flee the violence of the civil war between the Assad government and the separatists. They are Muslim and Christian. They are women and men. As images of Aylan Kurdi, the child refugee who was found dead on Turkish shores, drawing mourning from nearly every media outlet, Angela Merkel reminds us that most of all, they are human.

Since the start of the Syrian crisis, German Chancellor Merkel has been the most prominent voice in Europe's efforts. Merkel has taken the lead in rallying EU support for the victims. According to BBC, approximately 800,000 refugees are expected to arrive in Germany this year, and they'll need sanctuary.

As millions of innocent families head to Europe in the hopes of escaping violence, most European leaders have remained silent and cold towards the refugees. In light of the EU's apprehension, Merkel has pledged to take in close to, or over, a million refugees.

"This is a responsibility for the entire EU," Merkel said after a meeting with Austrian Chancellor Werner Faymann. Admittedly, the task of taking on millions of refugees is a daunting fiscal and bureaucratic task to say the least. Checks and documentation of each individual seeking asylum are necessary to ensure that no one being let in is a threat to national security.

According to the UN Refugee Agency, the United Nations is



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**German Chancellor Angela Merkel, above, has been the one main voice pushing for more assistance to refugees fleeing the Syrian Crisis. Few other nations have been fighting for humanity efforts to the same extent as Merkel.**

seeking 8.4 billion dollars to fund programs in refugee aid. While there is no simple solution to the crisis, Merkel reminds the rest of the European nations that "We just have to get stuck in and remove obstacles to enable a peaceful coexistence."

Peaceful coexistence is the goal, and the rest of the world can learn an important lesson regarding reaching this goal from the German chancellor. Problems like this can only be solved through bravery and united efforts. Merkel continues to display dedication towards the humanitarian issue, even as support from her own government wanes from both the

conservative right and her own Christian Democratic base, according to Politico.EU.

Unfortunately, the rest of the world has not been as forward-thinking about the crisis as Merkel.

For instance, Hungary has taken to spraying tear gas at the desperate refugees. The country has subsequently defended its actions by citing the injury of police officers. This does not explain the lack of support on the part of the Hungarian government evident in its refusal to take refugees or provide support.

Additionally, Russia is steadily building up its military near Syr-

ia. This increase in military presence is the physical manifestation of Putin's support for the Assad regime, a troubling sign for refugees.

Hungary's unwarranted aggression and Putin's military support of the Assad regime that are just a few examples of the lack of collective cooperation that continues to plague the decision-making of able-bodied governments.

The United States is also at fault for not providing enough support in a timely fashion. We are currently taking in around 10,000 Syrian refugees. Only recently did Secretary of State John Kerry announce an increase in

the country's refugee intake to 70,000-85,000 refugees. However, it has not been confirmed whether they will be from the area of the current crisis. As Merkel does her best to rally the world's able-bodied nations, she appears to be a lone wolf of sorts.

Humanity has come to a point where we must choose between competition and cooperation. The constant battle between political interests has only led to the neglect of humanitarian issues across the spectrum. I only hope that history treats Merkel well for leadership towards a new era in peace and cooperation of humanity.

# Freshman McKyla Brooks emerging as bright spot in team's bleak start

By Kunal Kohli  
Staff Writer

While Stony Brook University's women's volleyball team has seen better days, a bright spot has emerged in freshman middle hitter McKyla Brooks.

The Blasdell, New York native leads all America East freshmen in attack percentage (.289), kills (124) and has the seventh best kills per set ratio (2.76) as of Sept. 17.

She is second on the Seawolves in kills per set and total kills as of then.

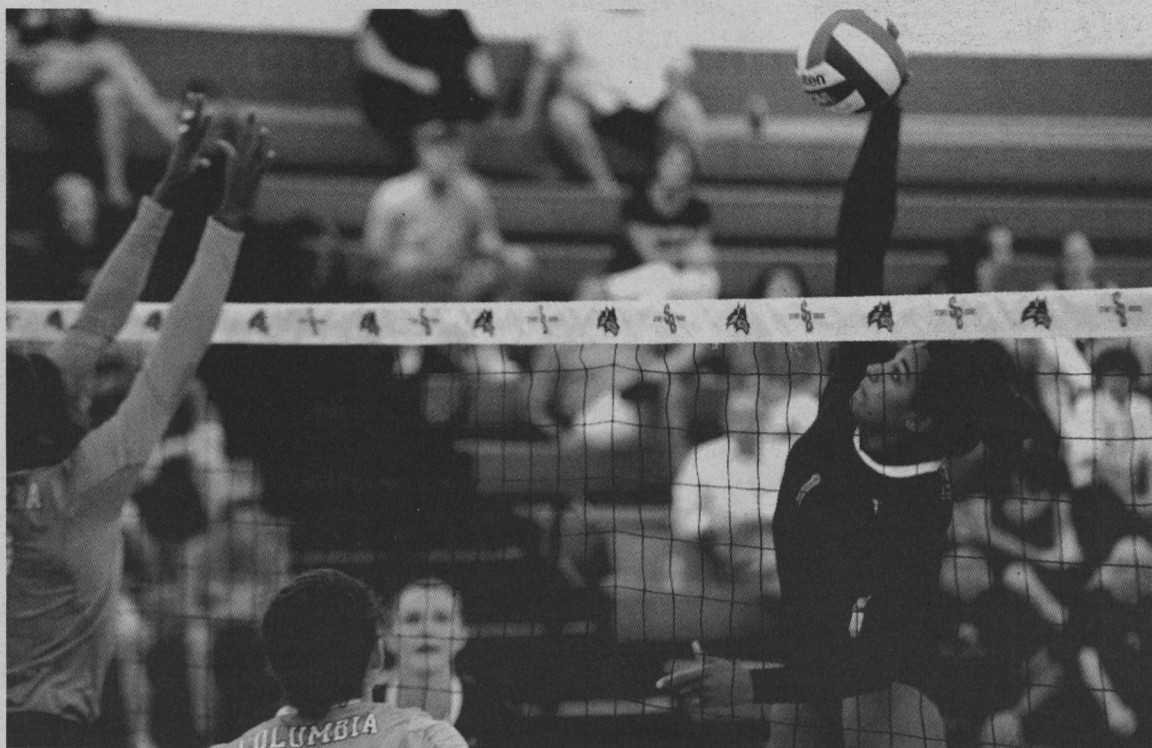
But Brooks was not always the volleyball player she is today.

"I first started volleyball when I was in seventh grade," Brooks said. "No idea how to play volleyball, I just wanted to play... got on the team, terrible. Absolutely terrible."

Her journey to Stony Brook took her past the middle school and travel levels, where she improved her craft.

In her high school days at Frontier High School, located just outside of Buffalo, she became a two-time first-team All-State member as well as a first-team All-Western New York member three times.

Brooks became known for being an efficient hitter, with her percentage above .300 in her sophomore, junior



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**Growing up upstate, McKyla Brooks (above, No. 1) is a long way from home in a Seawolves uniform. With a little work to do, she is on her way to becoming a big impact this year.**

and senior years.

According to Brooks, her first real adjustment was learning to handle the toughness of not only Division I volleyball, but also college in general.

"It was very hard coming in with everyone at the same level as you," Brooks elaborated. "You have to work harder in the gym, in the weight room, classroom, just everything. It's a huge change, a big differ-

ence than high school."

However, any challenges she had coming into Stony Brook seem to have subsided, judging by her red-hot start.

Not only has she emerged as one of the top Seawolves on the team, she is also one of the better freshmen in the America East Conference.

She was honored for this on Sept. 8, being named the America East Rookie of the Week.

Her week included a four-set Seawolves win against Holy Cross, in which she managed an attack percentage of .522 and scored 15 kills.

Brooks's quick rise has not been without bumps in the road, with blocking being her biggest struggle so far.

Several times throughout Stony Brook's Sept. 8 loss to Hofstra, head coach Coley Pawlikowski subbed Brooks out in

favor of a lineup that produced more blocks.

With this sub being frequent early in the season, she will look to work hard as the season goes along in order to become a more complete player.

She knows the struggle, and knows exactly what she has to do to fix it.

"Blocking has been a very big struggle with me," Brooks said. "It's a faster pace. I need to get out to the pins faster and close the block."

By the end of the year, Brooks wants to be the best in blocking.

"My goal is to be best in blocking," she said. "That's my goal, to be the best blocker. I know I can hit, I know I can kinda sorta pass, but blocking is the key."

Volleyball is not Brooks' only forte. She is a two-sport athlete and will be competing for the track and field team in the spring.

When she first joined the volleyball team, she had no idea whether or not she would be able to compete in her other passion.

"I was stunned that they actually allowed me to do track also," she said. "This is the only school that would actually allow me to do track and it was just a great, great feeling that the coaches had my back."

But for now, she looks to use her hot start to uplift her struggling volleyball team as SBU enters into America East play.

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# Raven Edwards PK salvages 1-1 tie for Women's Soccer vs. Yale Bulldogs



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**Raven Edwards (above, No. 9) scored her third goal of the season on this 87th minute penalty kick, tying the game.**

By Erol Ozkumru  
Staff Writer

Despite struggling offensively throughout the game, the Stony Brook Seawolves escaped today's game against the Yale Bulldogs with a 1-1 tie on Sunday at Kenneth P. LaValle Stadium.

In the first half, Stony Brook and Yale kept each other scoreless as they both played very good defense.

Both teams had good scoring chances, but neither of them were able to break through.

Junior goalie Emily Doherty had some help from the post

when a Yale forward headed a ball into the post, leaving the score at 0-0 going into halftime.

Sophomore midfielder Sarah McCauley gave the Bulldogs a 1-0 lead at the 61st minute with her first goal of the season, getting assists from senior defender Ally Grossman and freshman midfielder Sofia Griff.

A cross into the box was flicked on and McCauley found herself on the end of it, ready to finish it to the far post and give Yale its lead that would last almost to the end.

With time winding down in the game Seawolves redshirt ju-

nior forward Raven Edwards was tripped in the box at the 87th minute to set up a penalty kick.

Edwards converted the golden opportunity, kicking it on the top side past senior goalkeeper Rachel Ames, who committed the foul to set up the penalty.

It was Edward's third goal of the year.

"I just have to make it in to go through overtime," Edwards said. "We didn't get the result we wanted but we still worked hard and did are best to stay composed," she added when asked about setting up the penalty and then finishing it off.

"I wanted them to go for the win I didn't want them to settle for the tie," Ryan said when asked what she told her team in the locker room at halftime.

Even though the result was not what Ryan wanted, she was not completely disappointed with the result.

"It's a mixed bag it's very positive we stayed fighting for so long to earn the tie," Ryan said. "We had a good team performance, the final piece offensively is our final pass and getting into the attack to get good quality chances."

In the first half, Doherty was in goal for the Seawolves.

In the second half, Ryan

decided to put freshman goalkeeper Cara Gallagher between the posts.

"We are trying to quality minutes for both goalies since they are both new to the team this year," Ryan added, as the carousel of goalkeeping has continued throughout the season.

Doherty had two saves in as many shots and Gallagher had five saves on six shots.

Along with scoring the only goal for Stony Brook Raven Edwards also had the most shots and most shots on goal for her team.

The Seawolves were outshot by Yale 22-11, and 8-4 in shots on goal.

After being close in the first half in the shot total at 6-5, the Seawolves were dominated in the final 65 minutes of the match.

The Bulldogs outshot the Seawolves 16-6 in the second half and both overtimes, but Stony Brook was still able to salvage one point out of the match.

In both overtimes, both teams played good defense.

As a result, the game was very back-and-forth, with not a lot of good scoring chances coming for either team.

The game ended in a tie because of it, giving each team a point in the standings.

This was Stony Brook's first overtime game of the season.

This brings Stony Brook's record to 3-5-1 despite breaking out for three goals against Fairleigh Dickinson.

The Seawolves struggled to score until their penalty kick finally got them on the board.

"We have to take our shots and finish our chances," Ryan said when asked about the chances her team generated, but to no avail outside of the penalty kick goal.

The Seawolves next game is on Wednesday against Fairfield, who fell to Niagara 3-1 on Saturday.

Stony Brook looks to inch themselves closer to .500 as they prepare to play another non-conference game at LaValle Stadium.

This will be the final non-conference game of 2015 for the Seawolves, as they will begin their America East conference schedule on Sept. 27 when they head to Burlington, Vermont to take on the Catamounts.

Stony Brook defeated Vermont last season 1-0 at home with a Hannah Groth goal in the 24th minute being the difference in a game that was late in the year with playoff implications on the line.

## Men's Soccer falls in tragic OG fashion on Sunday

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Marist was able to hold onto the ball more, but Stony Brook looked to be much more dangerous.

The Seawolves' defensive line remained steadfast, only allowing two shots on net and four shots total during the half.

Stony Brook again looked the stronger team early in the second half thanks to its aggressive play.

They were able to create some dangerous chances, looking to put the game out of reach.

The Seawolves were able to force a great save from Rajovic in the 70th minute, coming within inches of another goal.

However, Marist got a break in the 80th minute, with a shot into the box rebounding right to the foot of freshman forward Cameron Harr, who tied the game.

The momentum swung swiftly in Marist's favor, as the Red Foxes looked superior for the final ten minutes of regulation time.

"I thought there was about a period of ten to 15 minutes where we weren't as good defensively and we let them get into the game a little bit," Anatol said. "But other than that I thought we dominated the game and created a lot of good chances."

Marist had a great opportunity to take the lead in the 87th minute with a handball on the edge of the penalty box from Stony Brook giving them a set piece opportunity.

However, the defensive wall deflected the shot and the game went into overtime.

Overtime had its share of suspenseful moments.

In the 97th minute, freshman

midfielder Martieon Watson had a wide-open look at net at the top of the box, but skied the shot over harmlessly.

Minutes after Stony Brook was almost able to capitalize on another cross from sophomore midfielder Thibault Duval.

As the minutes ticked down, Duval attempted a bicycle kick in the box that failed to find the net.

The chances resulted in more success for the Seawolves in the second period of overtime.

A sublime pass from senior midfielder Alejandro Fritz found Giordano onside, and his perfect pass to the far post was crisply finished off by Erdei.

Sophomore forward Erdei scored his second goal in as many games as the Stony Brook men's soccer team fell to the Villanova Wildcats 2-1 on Sunday.

The match was tied at one until the last minute of regulation, but Stony Brook scored an own goal, giving Villanova a 2-1 lead with just 41 seconds to play.

Sophomore goalkeeper Will Steiner punted the ball forward, urging his Wildcats forward in a last ditch effort to score and take the victory.

His intended target was junior forward Padraic McCullaugh who was contesting for the ball with a Seawolves defender.

Instead of it hitting McCullaugh, it hit the defender, who flicked the ball back towards Stony Brook senior goalkeeper Jason Orban.

Orban was off his line, however and could only watch as the ball went past him and rolled into the net, giving the Wildcats the late lead.

The Seawolves struck first, scoring in the 54th minute. The

goal was Erdei's second of the season, assisted by freshman midfielder Serge Gamwanya.

Gamwanya found Erdei streaking down the right side of the field, who fired a shot low against the surface that slipped past Steiner into the left side of the net.

The Wildcats evened the score up 14 minutes later on a kick by John Jloph.

Jloph was assisted by Christopher Bared, who crossed a pass into the net and Jloph found it with his head and put it into the net.

Statistically, the Seawolves outplayed the Wildcats for the majority of the match.

Stony Brook outshot Villanova 22-12, including a 7-3 Seawolves advantage in shots on goal.

Stony Brook also had eight corner kicks, compared to just one for Villanova.

Despite SBU's numbers advantage, they still failed to capitalize on opportunities throughout the game.

Senior goalkeeper Jason Orban played another solid match, racking up three saves and only allowing one Villanova goal.

Unfortunately for the Seawolves, Orban had to defend against his own team as well as the Wildcats' offense.

Villanova's goalie Will Steiner was able to save everything that was kicked his way as he made seven saves during the match.

The Seawolves will return home this Thursday, when they take on the Buffalo Bulls at 7 p.m. at Kenneth P. LaValle Stadium.

After that, their last road non-conference game will take place in Teaneck, N.J. against Fairleigh Dickinson on Sunday, Sept. 27.

## Volleyball defeats Columbia Lions in only Seawolves Invitational victory

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defending the Lions' attacks more aggressively. In the first two sets, the Seawolves had just one block, but stuffed their opponents eight times in the second-half.

The Seawolves used this stronger defense to win the third and fourth sets, 25-23 and 25-21. The match-ending exclamation point was drawn by McFadden, who spiked the final ball of the night.

The Seawolves were not as lucky earlier in the day, as they lost to the visiting Rhode Island Rams by a score of 25-15, 25-18, 22-25, 25-15.

Stony Brook was badly out-attacked by Rhode Island in the match. The Seawolves' had a miserable .096 attack percentage, while their opponents hit .303.

One of the bright spots for the Seawolves in the match was the play of freshman middle blocker McKyla Brooks. She almost single-handedly kept Stony Brook competitive in the match, with 15 kills and only seven errors.

McFadden had three service aces in the day's first match and six total in the doubleheader. The California native has 0.68 aces per set this season, placing her in the top five in the NCAA in serving.

Despite 15 kills from Fletcher, the Seawolves fell to the Army West Point Black Knights 3-1 on Saturday afternoon.

Fletcher kept the Seawolves in the first set. Her five kills kept them within reach for most of the set. However, a late breakdown in the first set was the turning point for Stony Brook.

After putting the Seawolves up two with her first kill of the game, Wilson committed an attack error, bringing Army West Point within one. This

began a four-point run that gave the Black Knights a 23-21 lead. Fletcher managed to tie the game up at 23, and later the senior middle blocker tied it up at 24.

But Army West Point's attack was too much for Stony Brook. They took the set 26-24.

Although they were down a set, the Seawolves still played tough. Wilson's five kills made the difference as the Seawolves won 25-22.

During the third set, there were five ties within the first ten fifteen points of the set. But Army West Point's five-point run put them ahead 15-10.

The Seawolves answered back with a four-point run of their own, bringing the game to 15-14. Army West Point ended the set with a three-point run, taking it 25-18.

The Seawolves' resiliency was on full display during the fourth set. Kath started the set off on a positive note with her second ace of the game. However, sloppiness impeded what looked to be a breakaway start.

Sophomore outside hitter Melann Amory committed two attack errors to tie the game at two. But, the Seawolves rallied from Amory's mistakes with a three-point run. With a 7-3 lead, it looked as if Stony Brook was going to push the game to five sets.

But Army West Point had other plans. An attack error by Brooks jump started a seven-point Black Knights run. Soon enough, Army West Point was up 10-8. They eventually took the set 25-22.

Even though the Seawolves kept the Black Knights in check, runs were their downfall.

Up next for the Seawolves is a Tuesday night match at Fordham on Sept. 22 at 7 p.m. They will end the month with some America East action, as they take on UMBC on Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. in Pritchard Gymnasium.

# SPORTS

## Bedell, Stony Brook roll in upset of No. 13 New Hampshire

By Andrew Eichenholz  
Assistant Sports Editor

Last season, the Stony Brook football team was up early against Colonial Athletic Association rival New Hampshire, but let its lead slip away. This time around, in front of 7,072 raucous fans at Kenneth P. LaValle Stadium on Saturday night, the Seawolves beat their highest-ranked opponent ever, pulling away from the 13th-ranked and defending conference champion Wildcats, who they had never beaten before, 31-6.

"Real proud of the program. Kids have worked hard," head coach Chuck Priore said. "The biggest thing that I saw in yesterday's practice was that they expected to win."

New Hampshire gained only 20 yards through the first 25:27 of the game, but in just over four minutes, the Wildcats turned their fortunes around.

Third-string junior quarterback Adam Riese led the Wildcats and marched 80 yards down the field in 13 plays, ending the momentum-shifting drive with a fade to the right corner of the endzone. Redshirt freshman wide receiver Rory Donovan found the football for a touchdown, cutting the Seawolves' lead to 10-6.

Members of the Wildcats coaching staff rushed from their coaches' box up above the crowd to get to the locker room for halftime, but the action was far from over.

"I think the crucial thing is, and you know some teams have it is, the team came to the bench and didn't care," Priore said about the team's reaction when the Wildcats pulled within four. "I think that's a credit to the boys and the leadership of our seniors and we played the next series."



Bedell (above, No. 21) rushed for 193 yards and scored a touchdown on Saturday. CHRISTOPHER CAMERON / THE STATESMAN

Stony Brook spent much of its off-season focusing on closing games and not letting opponents hang around. New Hampshire could have done just that with its drive at the end of the first half, but the Seawolves paid no mind.

Stony Brook sophomore defensive back Darin Peart took the ensuing kickoff 60 yards down the field to New Hampshire's 24-yard line with one second left on the clock.

From there, senior quarterback Conor Bednarski hit sophomore wide receiver Ray Bolden with a fade of his own for the wideout's second score of the game as the Wildcats defensive back defending him tripped in pursuit.

The play extended Priore's team's advantage from four to 11 at halftime,

a lead it would never give up.

"Field goals aren't going to win games at the collegiate level, touchdowns are. So, we went for it," Priore said. "Conor made a fantastic throw, Ray Bolden ran a great route, and it was awesome."

New Hampshire looked to dig its teeth into the game with a 51-yard drive to open the second half, but Stony Brook's defense came up with a crucial stop on fourth down. Junior defensive back Kye Morgan shot in to stop Wildcat and native Long Islander, junior running back Dalton Crossan, giving his offense the ball.

Junior running back Stacey Bedell took it from there, rushing 57 yards down the field with a burst of speed to the delight of the home crowd before getting cut off. That set up a four-yard

touchdown run by sophomore running back Donald Liotine, extending Stony Brook's lead to 18.

After a few quick drives with nothing to show for either side, redshirt freshman Joe Carbone handed it off to Bedell on 3rd and 13, and the running back would not be caught again. He sprinted his way to a 51-yard touchdown, Bedell's fourth of the season.

With only 1:36 left on the clock in the third quarter, it was only a formality from there. Like it did all game long, Stony Brook's defense snuffed out any opportunities with a potent pass rush and rock-solid rush defense. Senior defensive end Victor Ochi led the way with three-and-a-half sacks in his 11-tackle performance.

"Honestly the biggest issue we had-

last year was finishing, you know, and this whole offseason, that was dedicated to finishing," Ochi said about pulling away in the second half. "We knew the position we were already in. The boys were ready to play."

Sophomore defensive back Marvin Hart sealed a second-half-shutout as he grabbed freshman quarterback Trevor Knight's pass for an interception in the endzone with only 3:39 to go.

Bedell led all players with 193 yards on 21 carries, averaging over nine yards per rush.

"We came back out and used that momentum [from the end of the first half]," he said. "We capitalized well, offensive line blocked great, receivers blocked great down field and it helped spring me."

Carbone, like he did in last week's game against Central Connecticut State, came in to take snaps for Stony Brook. After stalling due to a holding penalty on his first drive, the Connecticut native came right back and found Bolden for a three-yard score, the first touchdown at Stony Brook for either player. He would go on to throw for 109 yards.

Perhaps the only negative from the game happened before things really started. According to Priore, senior starting linebacker Rahim Cassell suffered a concussion on the opening kickoff.

The Seawolves take their undefeated record to Virginia next Saturday for another conference matchup, this time against William & Mary.

"I think it's a step that Stony Brook needs to take, obviously," Priore said about a program-best win. "We have figured out how to not worry about losing, and how to understand how to win, and I think that was the exclamation point tonight."

### Men's Soccer defeats Marist in OT, loses to Villanova on late own goal

By Dylan Moore and Zach Rowe  
Staff Writers

A sports season is full of many highs and lows, and this week is a capsule of that. Stony Brook Men's Soccer was at the highest of highs Wednesday night, defeating Marist in an overtime thriller.

Sunday afternoon, they were at the lowest of lows, losing 2-1 to Villanova, with an own goal with 41 seconds left being the difference, though they dominated the match.

The Stony Brook men's soccer team beat Marist in what was an exciting match that ended in an overtime winner for the Seawolves after sophomore forward Vince Erdei found the back of the net to complete the team's 2-1 win.

The first half saw the Seawolves executing their counter-attacking game plan to perfection against the Red Foxes.

Marist managed to come out ahead in time of possession, yet looked inferior compared to the Seawolves' fast break and defensive prowess.

It seemed like every time

Stony Brook took possession, it would deliver a pinpoint long ball over the top to one of their forwards.

This paid dividends early, as the Seawolves capitalized in the fourth minute.

Stony Brook took the ball away from Marist in the Seawolves' half, and freshman midfielder Serge Gamwanya swiftly delivered a long pass to Erdei, who was able to find senior midfielder Martin Giordano with an onside pass behind the defensive line.

With only Marist sophomore goalkeeper Mark Rajovic in front of him, Giordano coolly slotted home the ball to give the Seawolves a 1-0 lead.

"I thought that we played well. We scored early which was good," Stony Brook head coach Ryan Anatol said. "We've talked a lot about how we start games, so to get an early goal was good."

The rest of the half played out with the Seawolves on the more aggressive side, trying to capitalize on the philosophy that had netted them the first goal.

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### Volleyball struggles continue, losing two of three at Seawolves Invite

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Stony Brook Volleyball snapped a six-match losing streak against Columbia University on Friday night at Pritchard Gymnasium, winning the match in four sets in a closely contested Seawolves Invite affair.

Senior middle blocker Stephanie McFadden was efficient on the attack, hammering home 13 kills with only three errors. She had a strong net-presence on the defensive end as well, helping on three blocks in the Stony Brook win.

"Tonight's win was a team win. We came into the game knowing that we had to work together as a team," McFadden said after the victory. "Everybody had each other's back and it just felt free and fun."

Senior outside hitter Kathy Fletcher had a match-high 17 kills and a team-high 14 digs in the win, while freshman setter Morgan Kath had 44 assists, 12 digs and four blocks.

Kath has shown defensive versatility this season, being used as both a blocker and a digger.

McFadden noted Kath's importance to the offense, saying that the reason for her efficiency was "100 percent the passing and the setting."

"I knew that when I went up for

the ball that the back row was going to have my back," McFadden said. "It's one of those things where you can jump up and swing as hard as you can because you know the person behind you is going to get it up if it's blocked."

Freshman middle blocker Luciana Del Valle led the Lions and had 16 kills in the match.

Senior middle blocker Katarina Jovicic added 10 kills, while junior libero Cassie Wes had a match-high 19 digs for Columbia.

"Columbia played a good game," Pawlikowski said. "They made adjustments that were putting them in better positions."

The Seawolves were able to win the first set 25-21 after a pair of kills from freshman outside hitter Taylor Wilson and McFadden closed it out. However, the Lions posed more of a challenge in the second set.

Stony Brook had just 10 kills with 12 errors in set two, as the Ivy foes adjusted. Columbia won the set, taking it with a score of 25-22 to tie the match at a set apiece.

One of the ways Stony Brook responded to Columbia's changing schemes in the second half was by

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5 p.m. at Fairleigh Dickinson

#### Women's Soccer

Wed. Sept. 23  
7 p.m. vs. Fairfield

Sun. Sept. 27  
1 p.m. at Vermont

#### Volleyball

Tues. Sept. 22  
7 p.m. at Hofstra

Fri. Sept. 25  
7 p.m. vs. UMBC