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## Students protest ADA violations

By Mike Adams  
Opinions Editor

With the aid of a black cane, junior business major Naji Nizam moved steadily toward President Samuel L. Stanley Jr.'s office. On his way into the building, one of the handicap-accessible doors leading inside started to close on top of him while he headed through the entrance.

"This is exactly what we're talking about," Nizam, who was born with a rare neuromuscular condition, said.

For Nizam, navigating academic life comes with an extra set of challenges. He moves more slowly than his able-bodied peers and has slipped on ice getting back to his car in a handicapped parking spot more than once. There have been occasions, particularly in poor weather, where Nizam has decided it's easier to avoid class entirely rather than park in the back of a lot or use a ride service he considers humiliating.

Nizam, along with around 80 other students and campus activists, gathered on Wednesday afternoon for a march to demand better accommodations for students with disabilities.

The march was organized by the Disability Rights Coalition (DRC), an impromptu alliance of campus activists led by Nizam and former Peer



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**Demonstrators march on campus in the Disability March Protest on Wednesday, April 10, 2019. The march was organized by the Disability Rights Coalition.**

Mental Health Alliance (PMHA) president and Stony Brook alumna Allisa Fernandez and co-sponsored by the Graduate Student Employees Union (GSEU).

"No matter the form of disability, Stony Brook is coming up short in providing students with proper accommodations to pursue their education and interests," current PMHA president and junior psychology Alexandra Sindo said at the start of the march. "Students are missing classes, ending up homeless, going hungry, losing scholarships or coming out of Stony Brook University feeling worse than they

already do. We cannot in good conscience allow this to continue."

Stony Brook's accessibility issues violate both the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and its own policies, Fernandez said.

"Under Stony Brook's own policies, P517, which is under ADA law section 504, states that it must be said in all brochures, clearly, that there's accommodations," Fernandez said. "Currently, if you look at all major events, including ceremonies, we do not have that written. How can people with disabilities attend these major events if they don't know where to turn?"

Megaphone in hand, Fernandez led those gathered in a series of chants, including "Stony Brook, respect the ADA," and "the students, united, will never be defeated."

As the demonstration died down, two of the march's organizers, Nizam and Stony Brook alumna and CUNY master's of public health student Jacqueline Albin, made their way into the Administration Building to try and speak directly with President Stanley.

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## UUP waits for election results

By Gary Ghayrat  
Assistant News Editor

Elections for United University Professions (UUP), the union representing SUNY professors, concluded on Wednesday, April 10. Once the ballots are counted, the union will announce who will represent faculty and other professionals across SUNY campuses on April 19.

For years, UUP elections on the Stony Brook campus have been fairly uncompetitive. But this time around, a group of candidates called the Coalition for Union Reform & Democracy emerged to shake things up.

"A few of the younger professional staff and faculty approached me to say, 'What can we do to change things here?'" Edward Quinn, who ran against the current president, said. "They didn't feel that the chapter leadership was effective."

The coalition website says it sees the current chapter taking "a Service Union Approach" where its primary goal is to maintain "a good relationship with the administration." Instead, the coalition wants to run the union with an "organizing union approach" and defend union members.

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## Gov. Cuomo visits Stony Brook to discuss New York state budget

By Rebecca Liebson  
News Editor

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo said the recently passed state budget will include \$18.6 billion for Long Island, the largest investment the region has ever received. Cuomo visited Stony Brook University on Thursday, April 11 to discuss how the money will be spent.

About a third of the funding will go toward the Long Island Rail Road (LIRR), with \$6.6 billion set aside for various projects including \$2.6 billion to build a third track. Cuomo also pledged to expedite construction on the long-delayed East Side Access project which would connect the LIRR to Grand Central Terminal.

"This was announced by Mayor Lindsay and Governor Nelson Rockefeller and we're going to finish this if I have to go down there with a shovel myself," he said.

Much of Cuomo's speech focused on the burden Long Islanders face due to heavy taxation. He criticized the Republican-led federal tax re-

forms for placing limits on state and local tax (SALT) deductions.

"What they did with SALT, ending the state and local tax deductibility, will cost Long Islanders \$2.2 billion," he said.

Cuomo said he hopes the 2% property tax cap, which was made permanent in New York this year, will help make up for some of those losses. "Making [the tax cap] permanent over the next 10 years, typical residents in Nassau will save \$70,000. Typical residents in Suffolk — \$58,000," he said. "That is real money for a middle class family. And we want them to know that they can bank on that surety and they have that confidence to stay with us on Long Island."

He went on to outline several infrastructure projects aimed at stimulating the local economy, including \$10 million for downtown revitalization, \$131 million for the Nassau Hub and \$55 million for the Ronkonkoma Hub.

Turning briefly to the topic of research and education, Cuomo said

Stony Brook — along with several other universities in the area — could help make Long Island into the next Silicon Valley. The new budget includes numerous investments into the so-called "research triangle," including \$75 million to construct the Institute for Discovery and Innovation in Medicine & Engineering at SBU.

"We have the academic universities and we are going to make the bridge to the commercial market," he said.

Stony Brook will also receive \$4 million to develop a shellfish hatchery, as part of the state's efforts to promote clean water in the area. The shellfish produced there will be used to help restore contaminated bodies of water back to a natural state.

Other environmental initiatives highlighted by the governor include \$1.5 million to build a clean energy, food waste recycling facility in Yaphank and \$100 million to clean up superfund sites across the state such as the Grumman Plume in Bethpage.

Cuomo closed his speech by touting his efforts to decrease spending. Over the past nine years he has increased annual spending by 1.5%, the lowest increase in state history. Cuomo compared his philosophy on spending to his grandfather's wisdom about weight loss.

"He used to say 'You want to lose weight? Close your mouth.' You want to reduce taxes? Reduce spending. It is that simple."

Audience member Veronica Milano, who works for the government and community relations department at Stony Brook, said that she learned a lot from Cuomo's speech.

"I really liked what he had to say, especially the different environmental reforms, I'm totally behind him on that," she said. "Overall I'm excited to see the progress on Long Island."

Not everyone was as enthusiastic about Cuomo's visit. Gathered outside the Student Activities Center (SAC), where the event was held, a group of around 15 protestors from the Long Island Immigrant Student Advocates

(LIISA) club chanted "Keep your promise Cuomo!"

The protestors were there as part of the Green Light campaign — a movement aimed at passing legislation that would allow undocumented immigrants to get driver's licenses. The protestors said that Cuomo voiced support for this idea during the primaries, but has not acted on it since.

"People need their driver's licenses to get to take their kids to school, to go to the hospital, to get groceries without being in fear of being deported, separated," Kelynn Alder, a St. James resident who joined the protest, said. "It's a human concern."

LIISA member and senior applied mathematics and statistics major, David Clark, said that the group originally planned to do a silent protest inside the venue, but they were shut down by campus police.

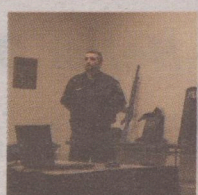
"If nothing else, I think that we made a statement today that we expect [Cuomo] to keep his promise," Clark said. "Hopefully he could hear us from all the way in the SAC."



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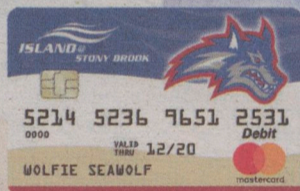


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# NEWS

## New coalition campaigns in union election

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"We pledge to build a union culture on campus where members feel heard, appreciated, and empowered," the website read.

The current UUP president, Kevin Moriarty, who is running for a re-election told *The Statesman* he isn't taking any interviews at this time.

Current Vice President for Academics who is running for a re-election, Fred Walter, said it is good to see more people wanting to get involved with the union. He said some of the goals the coalition proposed are the ones the current union has been trying to achieve.

"We fully agree with what they want to do," Walter said. "Where they claim we are not reacting to what's happening, they don't realize that we work behind the scenes. You cannot work overtly with this administration."

Walter said as public employees of the state of New York, union members are constrained by the Taylor Law, which prevents them from striking.

"There's a limited range of things we can do," Walter said. "We're basically a bargaining unit."

Eugene Hammond, who is running against Walter for VP for Academics, said that administrative decisions that were made in the past few years, such as the suspension of the theatre arts major and firing of writing and foreign language program

adjuncts, motivated people to take part in the coalition.

"I'd like to be part of that push to try to get the focus back on student education, transparency in decisions about student education and transparency about the [school] budget," Hammond said.

The university has been operating under a hiring freeze since March of last year, citing budgetary constraints that have been questioned by a recent independent report funded by members of the University Senate. President Samuel L. Stanley Jr. doubled down on the claim that the school has a budget deficit in his most recent budget message sent to students, faculty and staff.

Walter said the budget is not a union issue — it's a University Senate issue.

"One of the things I do as VP for Academics is I work with the Senate," Walter said. "I'm sort of the informal liaison with the Senate, and the Senate has been pushing this, and they have the full support of the union."

Although the Senate is more concerned with governance while the union is more focused on terms and conditions of employment, Quinn said the two bodies should work together to put more pressure on the administration.

"Nobody's questioning about the cuts, about the budget, [asking] why is this happening — that's something that the union should be questioning along with the Senate," Quinn said. "People wanted to see more of that collaboration to happen because it

would push the president a little bit more."

The faculty employment contracts are negotiated statewide in Albany, and last year, the union got its retroactive contract after SUNY-wide union marches and two years after the previous one expired.

"It's politics," Walter said. "I fear that the coalition is going in with a lot of exuberance, a lot of enthusiasm, and they have no idea how to play the game. And it's going to hurt them."

Any interest in the affairs of the union was hard to find on campus. *The Statesman* asked more than a dozen professors and union members about their thoughts on this year's election. All refused to comment, most of them saying they weren't knowledgeable about the candidates, the union or both.

Quinn said one of his union goals, if he were to win the race, would be to involve the Stony Brook Southampton campus more.

"I went and visited the campus, and they didn't know and had no clue that there was any kind of union collection going on," Quinn said.

The coalition tried to involve a diverse group of candidates and did as much campaigning as they could in the time they've had, Quinn said. He said the coalition will continue to exist as an independent group of people to provide feedback around campus.

"After the election, this coalition is not going away," Quinn said. "It's going to continue."

## Accessibility advocates march

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Albin was present to represent the DRC's students with mental health issues. She was diagnosed with schizoaffective disorder and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) at the end of high school. Two months into her undergraduate career at Stony Brook, after being placed on medical leave and taken to the hospital, the school sent her a letter she said exacerbated her troubles.

"While I was still in the hospital, I received a letter from the university saying I had violated the code of conduct, to have somebody remove everything from my dorm within 48 hours. I was not allowed on campus, not allowed to set foot on campus and I was suspended from all classes."

While she was ultimately able to return to Stony Brook, Albin felt some of her classmates feared disclosing their struggles with mental illness after hearing stories similar to her's, and the campus's ADA committee has failed to properly accommodate students with invisible disorders.

"People hear stories, 'Oh, if you seek help you'll get kicked out of school,' ... When we tried to bring up all the mental health policies and interim suspension problems, they kept saying this is not what the ADA committee is for, even though the committee is for all disabilities and men-

tal health disabilities are under the ADA."

When Albin and Nizam arrived at the entrance to President Stanley's office, they were met by five university police officers. The officers explained they were unsure how many students would try to enter the office and prepared to face a mass of protesters clogging the halls similar to the March for Humanities two years prior.

After a few moments, Assistant Dean of Students Jeffrey Barnett came to speak with Nizam about the issues he wanted to discuss. He was joined by Interim Chief Diversity Officer and Assistant Dean for Multicultural Affairs Jarvis Watson shortly afterward, who then spoke with Albin.

The pair left the hallway around 20 minutes later, both agreeing the experience went well.

"It was a three-hour trip to get here but I'd do it [again] in a heartbeat," Albin said.

Nizam walked away feeling the DRC was able to make substantial progress through the demonstration, and Barnett and Watson would be valuable allies for their cause.

"You can tell right off the bat when someone genuinely cares and when they're giving you lip service," Nizam said. "What I took away from my discussion with Jeff Barnett and Dr. Watson, they seem genuinely concerned in the issues we're demonstrating about."

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## Building on first L.I. LGBT affordable housing begins

By Caitlyn McDuffee and Augustus Fei  
Contributing Writer

At 34 Park Ave in Bay Shore, New York, a brick exterior wall hides a turquoise room with a disco ball hanging from the ceiling. Inside, 30 people are saying goodbye to the place that gave them shelter for 16 years. "This building has been the lifeline for so many," Samantha Kutcher, a member of the LGBT Network, said. A rainbow flag made of wood panels hangs on the wall behind her and a sign that reads, "Farewell (for now) Bay Shore Center" anticipates a moment that has been in the making for two years.

On Friday, March 22, members of the LGBT Network, a social services organization serving the LGBT community of Long Island and Queens, hosted a party to say goodbye to one of its centers. Before closing last week, the center was a location where at least 1,000 people a month went for HIV testing and attended social events for empowerment and support.

The 16-year-old structure is being torn down this April to make room for 75 units of budget-friendly residential properties, which will be built by The D&F Development Crew and expected to be ready for use by May 2020.



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**Members of the LGBT Network saying goodbye to their building and home. The center was used for social events and HIV testing.**

"The housing is just geared toward LGBT friendly people and allies," Lauren Corcoran-Doolin, vice president for external affairs for the LGBT Network, said. "Anyone can apply for housing there, but it would be well known that the housing is very accepting of the LGBT community, which would probably drive away people who didn't support [the community] to begin with," Corcoran-Doolin said.

"It's so difficult for a lot of trans people even though we have pro-

tections to get affordable housing," Kutcher said. "The housing here that they will have available will be a blessing to so many. It will be a clean place to live, a safe place to live, and they will be able to congregate with their own community."

Attorney Paul Millus however, believes that the standard will be impossible to regulate.

"LGBT friendly is not a statutory term, you can't really define it. How friendly do you need to be to be LGBT friendly," Millus said. "Sexu-

al orientation can not be a standard by which someone gets housing or doesn't get housing in the state of New York."

Board members at the Town of Islip voted unanimously in favor of the project in September 2017. The rent for a unit in the new building is expected to range from \$1,000 to \$1,600 a month per unit. The average price for renting an apartment in Bay Shore is around \$1,715 according to RentCafe, an online listing service for finding living rentals.

"We are going to be back here in two years, but where we are going we will be able to grow even more," President and Chief Executive Officer of the LGBT Network, David Kilmnick, said with tears in his eyes. "We are going to be able to grow even stronger as a community."

Several homeowners on the block have already expressed they are welcoming of the new project.

"There are few vacant buildings around here, anything that is going to bring more people and make this street more of a community is a good thing," Justin Haus, a resident who lives across from the center, said. "I don't have any problem with how the building will be LGBT friendly, whoever it is, they will be here and apart of the neighborhood."

The Bay Shore center was first opened in 2002, but the network has existed since 1993 under the Long Island Gay and Lesbian Youth (LIGALY).

"Six years ago I came out as male to female transgender and I didn't really have anyone to turn to. I found this beautiful place. I will be sad that [the center] is leaving Bay Shore for now," Emily Iannielli, a member, said.

A new center will be built in Hauppauge and is expected to be four times larger.

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## Brookfest 2019's main acts turn up with students

By Evelyn Mercedes  
Contributing Writer

For the first time ever, the Undergraduate Student Government (USG) opened an online ticketing system that gave students the option of purchasing tickets without visiting the SAC ticket office. There was also the opportunity to win a Brookfest VIP experience guaranteeing six students and their guests suite access and a swag bag brought by Metro by T-Mobile.

In an effort to further motivate students, alumni and their guests to buy tickets for Brookfest, USG members held different times throughout the week to give away T-shirts to those with tickets.

Before doors opened at 6:30 p.m., a line of enthusiastic fans emerged from all over campus. When early attendees were asked about the choice of lineup, some weren't too familiar with the artists.

"Personally, I'm not into rap music but I am looking forward to it," Maha Noor, a senior health science major, said. "This is my first Brookfest in all of my time here. My friends told me about it and I was like 'Why not? It should be a good experience.'"

Recent Stony Brook graduate and DJ for the night, Sana Fujimura, warmed up the crowd with a variety of mixes that kept everyone moving in between the main performer's sets. After DJing for past events such as Wolfieland and Roth Regatta, she performed for the first time on the Brookfest stage.



SARA RUBERG / THE STATESMAN

**Rapper Aminé during his Brookfest performance in the Island Federal Credit Union Stadium on Thursday, April 10. Aminé and rapper Lil Skies opened for A\$AP Ferg.**

"USG asked me to open for Brookfest this time and I thought it might be cool to go back to Stony for a night," Fujimura said. "I kind of wanted to bring out my taste, so I tested the waters with old school hip hop/classic house/afrobeats instead of what I usually play at Stony Brook."

Once Lil Skies set foot on stage, the energy in the entire arena skyrocketed. Fans matched his spirit as he jumped from one side to the other while also leaving the stage to get up close and personal with those behind the barricades. In the middle of his set, he took a moment to autograph a hand-drawn picture junior health science major Fawaad Javaid had with him in the front row.

"I was just filled with joy because I wasn't sure they'd actually sign it," Javaid said. "I didn't know

that they'd give it to A\$AP Ferg too. I'm still processing all this."

Lil Skies played popular tracks including "i," "Nowadays" and "Stop The Madness" from his most recent releases "Shelby" and "Life of a Dark Rose." He also stopped to share some motivation and speak about his college experience.

"I went to college and eventually dropped out," Lil Skies began. "Not trying to tell you to drop out to follow your dreams. Keep doing your thing and I promise you, your dreams will come true."

Aminé echoed Lil Skies' advice later on in the night: "Do what you gotta do to fulfill your dreams. Get that degree if you have to."

To start his set, he emphasized how everyone should feel beautiful. "I want you to feel beautiful," he said. "When I say 'You're beautiful,' yell back 'I know.'"

He continued to say these two words after each song ended, which featured a combination of tracks from his 2017 debut album "Good For You" and most recent album, "ONEPOINTFIVE."

"My favorite part about Brookfest was seeing the community together enjoying the music we love," Shaan Bhog, junior applied mathematics and statistics and economics double major, said. "I'm not really a big fan of these artists but I was able to vibe with everyone else. The variety of artists was pretty good too."

Both Aminé and A\$AP Ferg took a moment to honor Nipsey Hussle, a Los Angeles-based rapper, songwriter, entrepreneur and community activist who died due to gun violence on March 31. Founder of A\$AP Mob and New York rapper A\$AP Yams

was also honored that night. "In one two three, say 'Rest In Peace A\$AP Yams'" A\$AP Ferg yelled.

A\$AP Ferg performed a mix of his songs trailing back to his popular 2013 song "Shabba" from the album "Trap Lord." His mix included "Plain Jane," "New Level" and "Trap and a Dream." He sprayed the crowd with water after asking if they've ever been to one of his shows and if not, then they were in for a big surprise.

After a few songs, he left the stage to sing with the fans in the stands area. The mosh pits, memorable performances and close interactions with the artists made this an enjoyable Brookfest for the students, who kept jumping along with the rappers and singing along to their songs.

As rap artists continue climbing the charts and new artists emerge from popular streaming platforms such as Soundcloud and Spotify every day, fans are stuck trying to play catch-up and know who's who. It's impossible not to appreciate the wave of rap artists and how quickly the genre has expanded, even for those students who didn't particularly know who Lil Skies, Aminé or A\$AP Ferg were before the concert.

"My favorite performance of the night was Lil Skies — that was my only reason for going," Ricardo Goñales, a senior biology major, said. "The most popular genre right now is hip-hop and rap so other than that you won't really see any pop bands or rock bands coming anytime soon."



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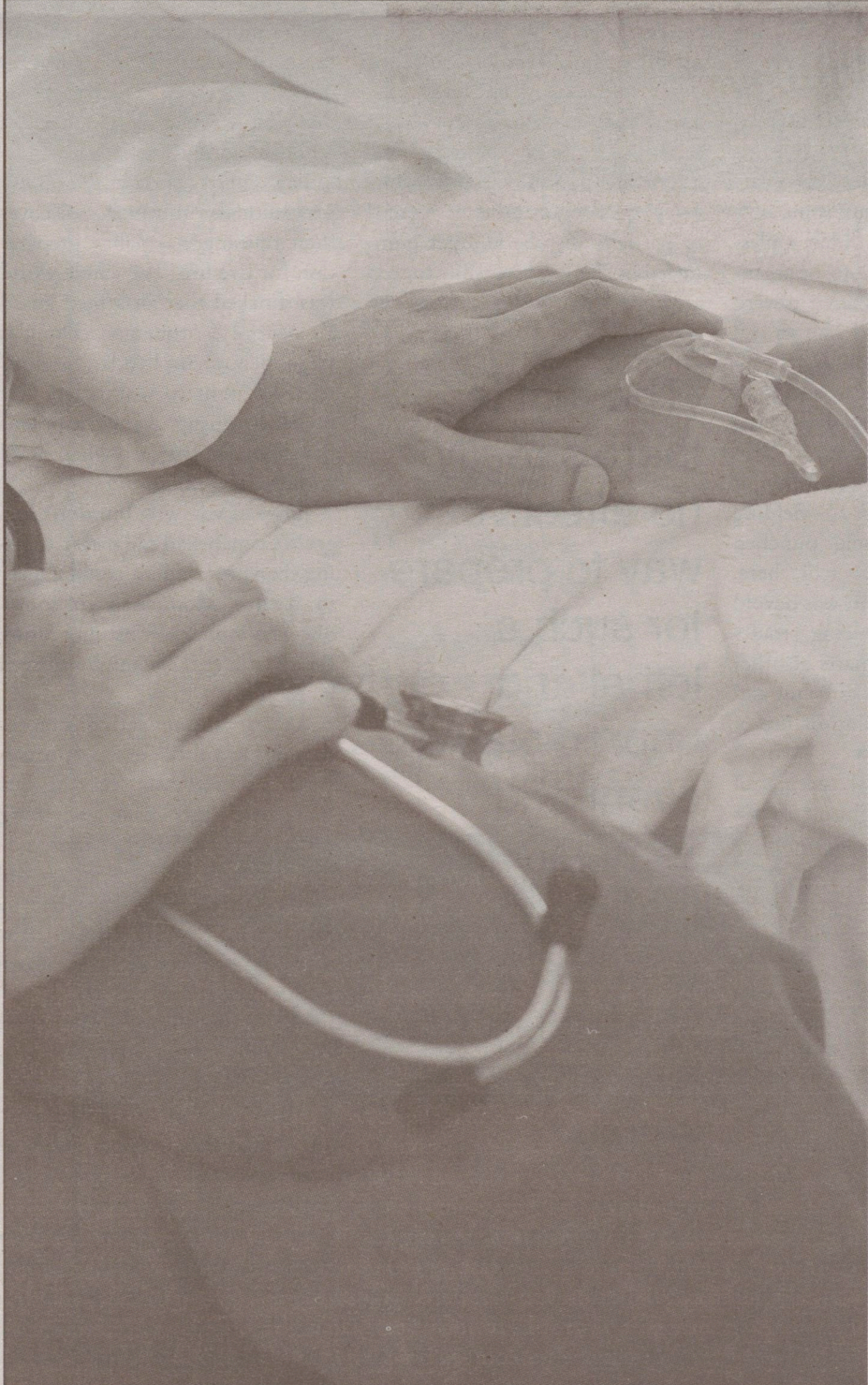
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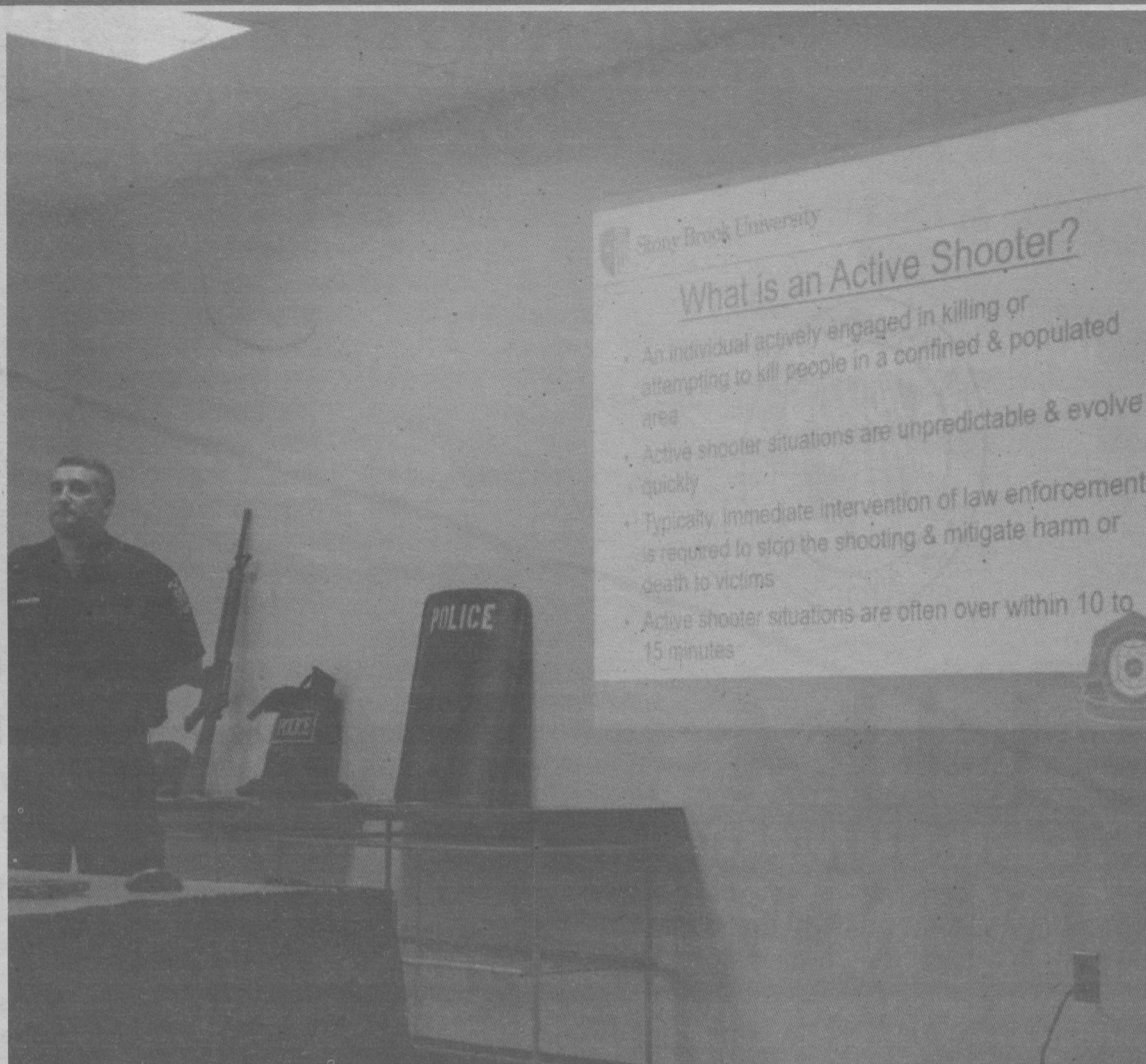
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The University Police Department running active shooter training on April 4 in Roth Cafe. Officers teach students and staff when to run, hide and fight during shootings.

## What is the purpose of active shooter training?

By Mike Adams  
*Opinions Editor*

Stony Brook's University Police Department (UPD) periodically holds seminars to inform students and faculty about what to do in the event of an active shooter. The most recent occurred on Thursday, April 4.

The programs themselves are fairly simple. There are some officers, a PowerPoint, a video, a plastic gun and solid photo opportunities. The tips are geared toward teaching students and staff to run from a shooter when they can, hide when they have to and fight with whatever is at hand only as a last resort.

Disregarding the absurdity of trying to stop an AR-15-wielding madman with a hole puncher, UPD deserves some credit here. Last Thursday's session was devoid of the trauma-inducing trademarks of its counterparts at other institutions. Nobody got shot and there wasn't any yelling or use of improvised weaponry.

But the outlandish nature of telling students to fight off a mass shooter with school supplies hints at a depressing truth. The fact is, there's really no effective way to prepare for such a lethal and unpredictable event and seminars like these only serve to give students a false sense of safety. The real purpose of this sort of training is to allow a security force the chance to twirl its armaments and flex its muscles so the people it's in charge of protecting feel safe in its care.

That sort of motivation isn't necessarily disingenuous. I feel safe betting that nobody sat around UPD headquarters thinking of ways to manipulate the mindset of the student body. Still, there are

some dangerous side effects born from the desire to make people feel perennially secure.

Programs like these are hallmarks of a concept called security theater, where big-budget shows of force and pointless so-called safety measures help create the appearance of safety, rather than safety itself. Think about the line that forms at airport security while every passenger-to-be is forced to partially disrobe and get pummeled by X-rays, ostensibly to stop anybody from posing a danger to

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other air travelers. It's irritating, but we all just accept it as safe, when really there's nothing stopping that same madman from attacking those same people in the security queue.

Creating a program to give students a better idea of what to do during a school shooting seems like a good idea on the surface. But letting that thought sit for a moment provokes a troubling question: What business does a student have thinking they know what to do during a school shooting?

Law enforcement and military professionals routinely discover their training was paltry preparation for live fire. The whole world was shocked that an armed guard at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, who went to work every day to be a stopgap against a potential shooting, froze up when faced with the real thing.

Judge as you will, but don't forget that man had far better training than any student could expect to receive. Compared to someone like me, or almost any Stony Brook student, he might as well be Rambo.

At its worst, active shooter training is a futile exercise, much better at needlessly freaking out its participants than anything else. But even the best, most noble attempts at providing the public with advice on what to do when the unthinkable happens do little more than waste people's time.

The reality of the matter is that there is no way for a bystander to be properly prepared when caught in the crosshairs of a massacre. Surviving a shooting is a matter of luck more than anything else, and until sensible gun control laws are passed across the nation that stop dangerous people from obtaining murder weapons in the first place, all other attempts to mitigate that risk are like putting a band-aid on a rotting limb.



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**Wednesday, April 17**

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Melville Library, Room 4550,  
1 pm
- **Experience: Sun Salutations**  
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Staller Steps, 2 pm
- **Lecture: "Global Warming Demystified"**  
Jeffrey Bennett,  
Astrophysicist/Author,  
Earth and Space Sciences  
Building, Room 001, 7:30 pm
- **Experience: Plant Night**  
Student Activities Center  
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- **Rubber Duck Races, 2 pm**

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- **Ice Cream Social, 2:30 pm**
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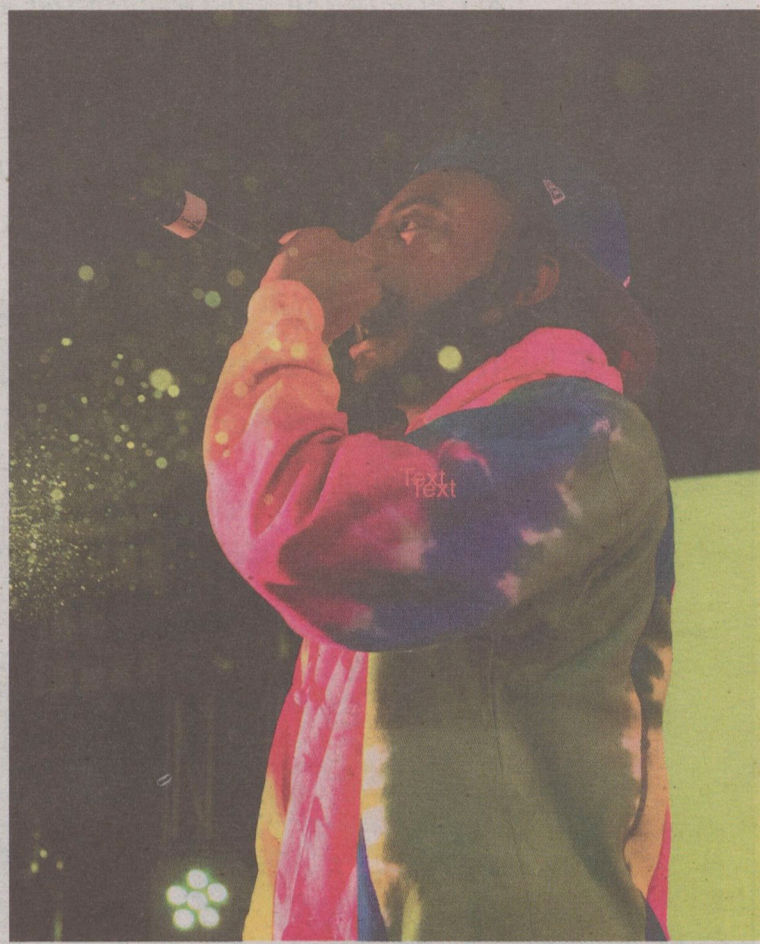
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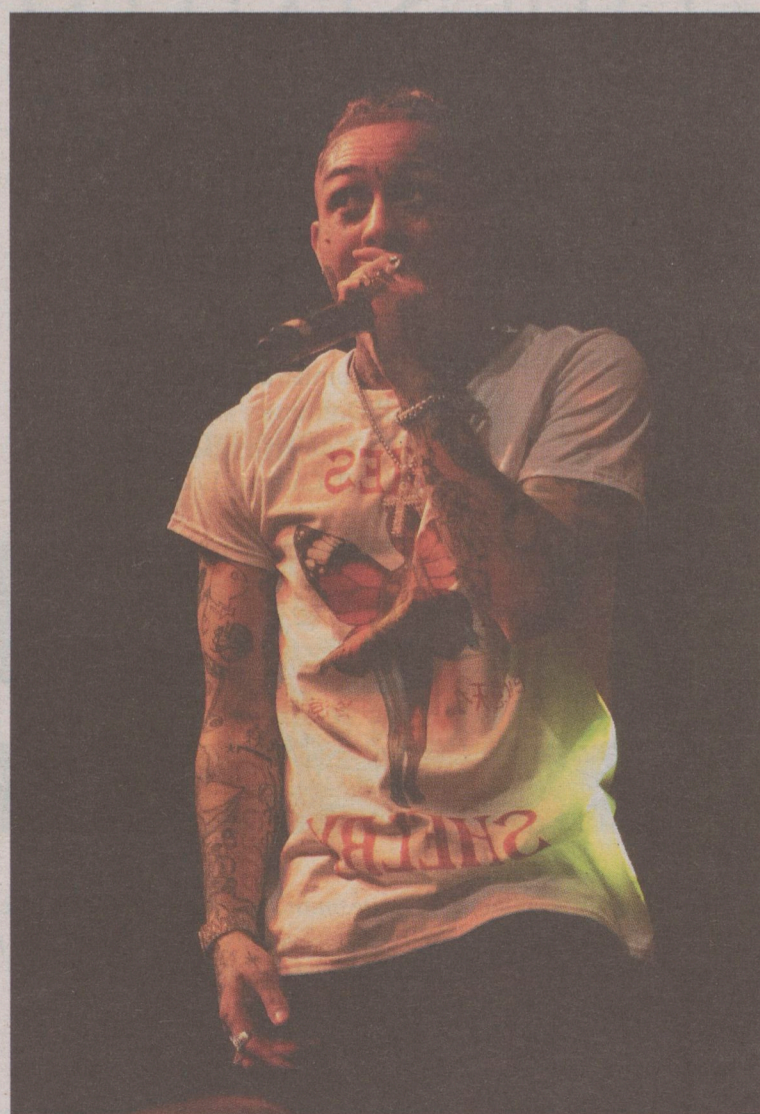
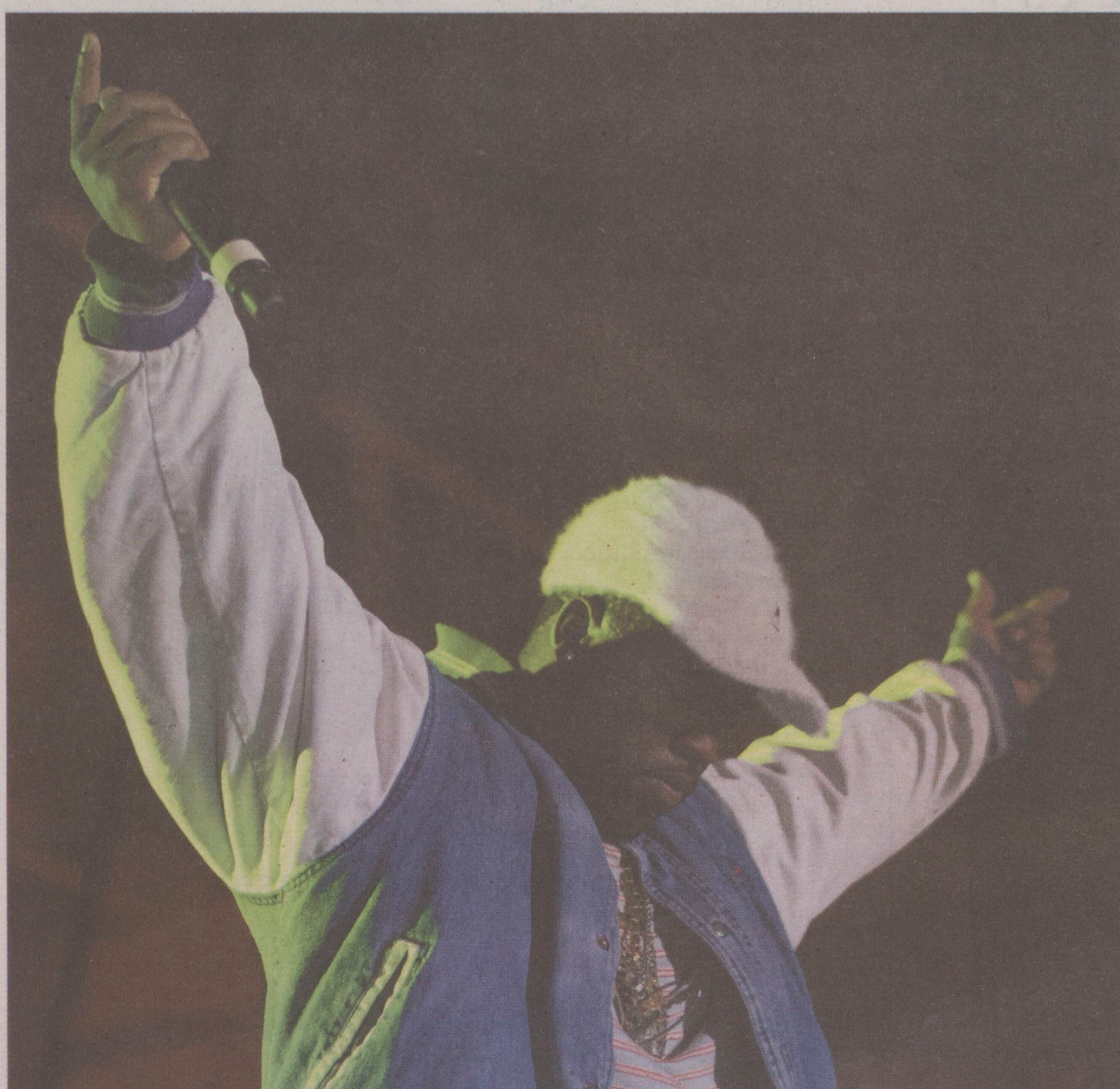
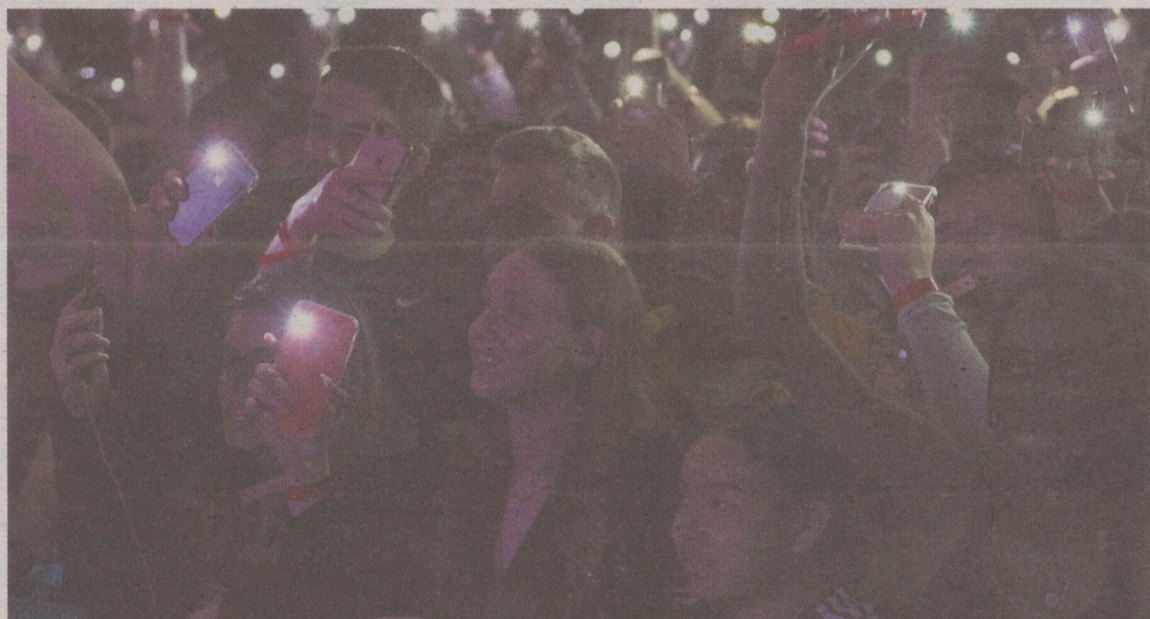
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## Brookfest 2019 in photos



Rappers A\$AP Ferg, Aminé and Lil Skies took the stage at Island Federal Credit Union Arena for the 2019 Brookfest concert. The show was the only concert this year after Back to the Brook was canceled in the fall. Brookfest's floor tickets were sold out and the stands were lively and crowded.

**Photos by Sara Ruberg**  
*Assistant Multimedia Editor*



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# SPORTS

## Men's Lacrosse defeats UMass Lowell in AE matchup



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Junior attacker Chris Pickel Jr. in a game against Marist on Saturday, March 2. Pickel Jr. scored his fourth hat trick of the season against UMass Lowell on Saturday, April 13.

By Ryan Magill  
Staff Writer

In a fantastic start to its crucial final game stretch, Stony Brook Men's Lacrosse beat UMass Lowell on the road 15-12. The

win now gives the Seawolves a 3-1 America East conference record along with their 7-5 overall record.

The River Hawks saw solid offensive efforts from junior

attacker Dylan Rhatigan, who scored his career-high four points against the Seawolves, as well as two goals each from junior attacker Daniel Cozzi and sophomore attacker Jake Lining. The

River Hawks managed to bring the game within one with three consecutive goals in the fourth quarter to make the score 10-9.

Despite these efforts, the River Hawks were never able to keep up with the Seawolves, trailing Stony Brook the entire game. The Seawolves' eight-player scoring offensive was led by junior attacker Tom Haun's four goals, three of which came in the second half, including the victory-sealing shot.

Junior attacker Chris Pickel Jr. scored a hat trick on the day, which is his fourth of the season. Junior attacker Connor Grippe and freshman midfielder Layton Harrell each scored two goals, with one a piece from senior long stick middle Justin Pugal, senior midfielder Owen Daly and sophomore midfielder Mike McCannell as well. Junior goalie Michael Bollinger kept the River Hawks out of the net with 11 saves on the day to keep the Seawolves ahead. In a turnaround fashion following their loss to the Princeton Tigers, the Seawolves shot very well, shooting 44 times with 33 shots on goal.

"Really happy for the guys tonight! Hats off to the UML offensive game, their coaches did an outstanding job preparing," head coach Jim Nagle said in a press release. "Our offense picked up the slack and upperclassmen like Chris Pickel Jr. carried us to a big league win."

The Seawolves' remaining games, however, will be their toughest challenges. Both Vermont and Albany have clinched America East playoff berths and are currently ahead of Stony Brook in the rankings.

The Seawolves next play the conference-leading Vermont Catamounts at 12 p.m. on Saturday, April 20. The Catamounts currently sit on a record of 7-4 including a 4-1 record in America East play.

The teams last faced off in the America East playoffs last season, when the Seawolves were defeated 8-4. The game will be played at Virtue Field in Burlington, before closing the season off at home against Albany on Friday, April 26. Stony Brook currently sits at third in the America East Standings, just a game behind Albany.

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