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Demonstrators march with protest signs against parking policy changes in front of the Health Science Center yesterday.

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Free HSC Lot Closes; Employees Protest

By Jason Didner
 Statesman Staff Writer

IN PROTEST OF UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT JOHN MARBURGER'S orders to close the free gravel parking lot on East Campus, several Health Science Center employees and labor union representatives rallied at the site of the closed lot near the hospital yesterday.

Only Free Parking in HSC

The lot, which was the only source of free parking for hospital employees, was officially closed and barricaded yesterday morning. Marburger had closed the lot, deeming it "unsightly and unsafe," and noting that it competes with the new paid parking structure adjacent to the hospital.

With the closing of this lot, employees of the university hospital have lost more than 400 free parking spaces. Parking will cost these workers \$16.20 per month in the paid garage. Employees expect this fee will double within the year, according to union officials.

Carrying picket signs that said, "Why are we the ONLY hospitals in Suffolk or Nassau where employees pay to park?" The 20 protestors garnered support from the drivers of passing vehicles, who honked their

horns in accordance.

'Employees Weren't Notified'

Ed Alleyne, president of United University Professions (UUP), maintained that Marburger closed the lot without the proper negotiations the union requires. "The closing of the free lot does not present a good faith process," said Alleyne, who has filed an improper procedure suit on behalf of the UUP against the closing.

The UUP is joined by the Civil Service Employees Association (CSEA) and the Public Employees Federation (PEF) in raising grievances against Marburger's parking policy. "We will pursue any legally available remedies to this problem," said Mike Kershis of PEF. "Because state funds have been cut, the university's trying to get it from us by charging us for parking. We

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Compromise opens 210 free HSC spots

By Stephen L. Shapiro
 Statesman Associate News Editor

University President John Marburger announced last week that 210 free parking spaces will be created on the East Campus for students, a compromise reached after a university decision last month to close 400 free spaces near the Health Science Center.

The compromise, recommended by the committee on parking policy, does not include faculty or staff, said Dan Forbush, university spokesman, which resulted in a protest yesterday by employees of the HSC.

"Health Science Center students can come back from Thanksgiving recess with more options to choose from," Forbush said.

The university originally planned to re-route all cars that park in the free lot to a new garage, which would cost as much as \$30 a month, according to Stan Altman, deputy to the university president.

Free parking will be provided for 210 student spaces with valid student identifica-

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U S B Weekly

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TUESDAY DECEMBER 3

"Intensive Introduction to PC's" Two day Center for corporate Continuing Education & Training (CCET) PC Series, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., \$195; pre-registration required. To register and for room location, call 632-7071.

Stony Brook Ski Club Meeting, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Union Room 236. All welcome. Please bring \$50 deposit for Killington Trip.

"A Guided Tour Through a Living Cell," hosed/organized by Steve Rokita, assistant professor, chemistry for Department of Chemistry Bioorganic Literature Meeting, 7:30 - (30 p.m. Room 603, Graduate Chemistry. Call 632-7880.

"Managing Stress in a Changing Organization," School of Continuing Education Office Skills Workshop Series, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Call 632-7071.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4

Chamber Music Festival, Features the Department of Music honorary graduate ensembles and mixed groups from the chamber music program. 8 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center for the Arts. Free. Call 632-7330.

"TQM: What, Why and How," CED Management, Trade & Technical Seminar Series, 9 a.m.-noon. Learn what TQM is, why it has worked in Japan, and how to implement it in your organization. \$65; pre-registration required. For fee and classroom location, call 632-7071.

Women's Basketball vs. Old Westbury, 6 p.m. Indoor Sports Complex. Call 632-7287.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

Transsexualism, Lauren Edel, a post-op transexual, discusses the subject from a personal perspective. Student Union, Room 223, 9 p.m. Sponsored by LGBA.

University Orchestra, Featuring the works of Mozart, von Weber and Sullivan. 8 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center for the Arts. Free. Call 632-7330.

The Unclean, the world premiere of an avant-garde performance piece created by USB's own Department of Theatre student and faculty production company directed by John Lutterbie. The play explores the effects of discrimination on those called "the unclean." 8 p.m., Thursday, Friday and Saturday; 2 p.m., Sunday. Theatre Two, Staller Center for the Arts. \$8; \$6/students & seniors. Call 632-7230.

"Telling Family Secrets: Narrative and Ideology in Suzanne, Suzanne by Camille Billops and James V. Hatch," Valerie Smith, U.C.L.A. (Humanities Institute

Visiting Lecturer Series, co-sponsored with the Feminist Colloquium Series) 4:30 p.m.; Library, E-4341. Call 632-7765.

"Women Managers," Women, Work and Dollars Class Lecture, Harriman School for Management and Policy. Panelists include Carole Cohen, USB vice president for university affairs; Rosemarie Nolan, US administrator for claims, records and risk management; and Sandra Decapua, Group 347 Realty Corp. 7 p.m. 116 Harriman Hall. Free. Call 632-7180.

"Desktop Publishing Workshop: Design & Layout Using PageMaker 4.0" CED Management, Trade & Technical Seminar Series, (for moderately experienced individuals.) Two days (Dec. 6); 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. \$295; pre-registration required. To register and for room location, call 632-7071.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

Benefit for the National March on Washington for Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Civil Rights, Music, Dancing, Refreshments and a Midnight Show! Fannie Brice Theatre, Roosevelt Quad, Doors open at 9 p.m. \$3 w/SUSB ID and \$4 w/o. sponsored by LGBA.

The Doctor, 7, 9:30 p.m. and midnight (Friday & Saturday); 7 and 9:30 p.m. (Sunday). COCA Film Series, Room 100, Javits Center. \$1.50 or \$1/USB I.D. Call 632-6472 or 632-6460.

New York Philomusica, with Robert Levin as piano soloist. 8 p.m. Recital hall, Staller Center for the Arts. \$20. For ticket information, call 632-7230.

Men's Swimming vs. Albany, 7 p.m. Pool, Indoor Sports Complex. Call 632-7287.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra with the Stony Brook Chorale and Camerata Singers. Timothy Mount, conductor. 8 p.m. Main Stage, Staller Center for the Arts. \$8; \$6/students & seniors. For ticket information, call 632-7230.

Women's Swimming Stony Brook Defender's Cup, 11 a.m. Pool, Indoor Sports Complex. Call 632-7287.

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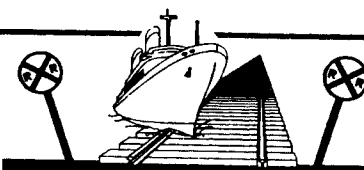
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Campuses concerned over SUNY shooting

By David Joachim
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

A 21-year-old woman was shot in the abdomen last Sunday morning after leaving a party on the SUNY Farmingdale campus.

Sandra Adams, a former Farmingdale student, was taken out of the intensive care unit last Tuesday and is listed in stable condition at Brunswick Hospital in Amityville, L.I., according to a hospital spokeswoman.

Adams was hit by a stray bullet that was not aimed at her, Suffolk County police said.

This incident follows several other criminal incidents on campus this semester, according to university officials, including a stabbing and a rape.

No one has been arrested in the shooting and police are investigating.

In response to this and other violent incidents on the Farmingdale campus — which is about 30 miles from Stony Brook — the university canceled social activities on campus, and banned guests from the campus for the rest of the semester.

Don Kreger, president of the statewide Public Safety union, told the *Student Leader News Service* that

Farmingdale is the most dangerous SUNY campus. University spokesmen said the administration is looking into security options for the campus, including arming Public Safety officers.

"They're going to be armed at Farmingdale," Richard Young, director of Stony Brook's Public Safety force predicted in response to the incident. He said the incident "highlights" the need for arming Stony Brook officers.

"You can't keep putting your head in the sand and pretend that these kinds of incidents don't exist," Young said.

Although University President John Marburger said the Farmingdale incident was "not highly significant" in terms of Stony Brook's arming debate, he said, "It's an example of the kind of incident that calls attention to the issue."

Marburger called the vulnerability of the two campuses to violent crime "very similar."

After a two-month delay, Marburger appointed the university safety council last week, which was created to make recommendations to the president on all security and safety issues on campus, including whether to arm Public Safety officers with guns.

"You can't keep putting your head in the sand and pretend that these kinds of incidents don't exist."
— Richard Young,
director of Public Safety

Compromise opens free HSC parking spaces

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tion cards and valid parking stickers, Forbush said.

The free parking spaces, which are located on the lower level of the Health Sciences Center's new three-tier garage, were available starting yesterday.

Faculty, staff and graduate students will be permitted to use half of the free spaces as soon as an agreement is reached between the university's three faculty and staff unions, Marburger said.

"You can't just do it," Marburger said. "There is a lot of red tape involved when dealing with the unions."

Research performed by the United University Professions (UUP) said that of 31 hospitals in Nassau and Suffolk counties, Stony Brook is the only one that charges its employees for parking.

"The employees are outraged at this seemingly uncaring attitude of administration," a UUP press statement said.

The Committee on Parking Policy agreed that the temporary lot should be

closed. But when asked by Marburger for an evaluation of the university's parking and transportation system, the committee said it would be inequitable to eliminate all free parking on the East Campus, primarily because of the large amount of free parking on main campus.

Forbush, said the free gravel lot was closed for safety reasons. "The lot is unsafe and environmentally poor," said Forbush. The temporary gravel lot was built, he said, with the understanding that it would be destroyed by 1990.

Gravel from the closed temporary lot will be transported to South Parking lot, where the current lot will be expanded to accommodate parking for hospital employees, Marburger said.

The university plans to transport gravel from the closed lot to South P-lot, where it will be used to provide additional parking there, Marburger said. The closed lot will provide space for the widening of East Loop Road, the road in front of the University Hospital, which will be completed by next fall, he said.

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Left-Right Polity Conflict Sets Future Student Agenda

PARTISAN POLITICS HAVE invaded Polity. After years of a united student government consisting of a senate and a council with similar — if not identical — agendas, a split in Polity this year has become apparent. Now, political battles within Polity have translated into long Polity Senate meetings with heated debates, name calling and political games that have little to do with student issues. But it could be worse.

It could be last year's senate under Vice President Joe Mignon, who was accused by many inside Polity of being unorganized and unproductive as chairman of the senate. His was an uninformed, unmotivated senate.

This year's senate may have had to endure arguments and what many senators have called "long and boring" meetings, but at least the senate is meeting.

"Three years ago we wouldn't have had quorum to complain," President Dan Slepian said at the last senate meeting, responding to complaints about officers' attendance at committee meetings from Senator Richard Cole, one of Slepian's archrivals. Slepian, who is completing his second term as president and fourth term as a member of the Polity Council, has had to evade attacks this semester from a vocal conservative faction of the senate, including Cole and Senator Ron Nehring, president of the College Republicans. These conservatives have mercifully questioned every aspect of Slepian's leadership, including the president's right to speak during senate meetings.

As a liberal, I can't help but sympathize with Slepian's political goaltending. Polity's conservative party, as it has become, attempts to damage Slepian's credibility every chance it gets.

The majority of the senate, which tends to side with Slepian despite conservatives' loud opposition, views the opposition as a nuisance that has gotten in the way of productive meetings.

I disagree. The fighting inside the student government, as unpleasant as it is to watch, has actually sparked productive, insightful debates. Although the senate has not taken stands on the majority of larger student issues, it is setting its future agenda. Many of

its political positions for the next few years will be decided by the outcome of the new left-right conflict.



NEWS VIEWS

David Joachim

While the liberal-bashing in the senate and the constant attempt by conservatives to damage councilmembers' credibility has gone too far several times, often losing sight of the senate's responsibilities, an attempt to stifle this group last week was equally, if not more, disturbing. Several senators proposed a limit on discussion of new topics last Wednesday by eliminating or redefining the "New Business" item on the senate's agenda.

These proposals materialized in two motions to curb New Business, which were later rescinded for further research into whether such a measure

would be unconstitutional. New Business is the last item on the senate's agenda, which is reserved for any new topics from senators and non-senators.

Eliminating, or even restricting, the expression of new ideas would be a tragedy. The Polity Senate is one of the few forums on campus for students to gripe about anything that affects students.

Supporters of these restrictions say that senators would be forced to review topics for the agenda with the president or vice president before items are added to the agenda. This would ensure that the subject is properly researched and would "streamline" the discussion process in the senate, maximizing the senate's time.

But many times topics must have preliminary discussion to formulate ideas about how to approach it from the student end. Granted, many topics brought up this semester have been blatant political statements or foolish attempts at name recognition. But the alternative — restricting free speech — does not justify saving student leaders' time. Senators and interested parties must realize that they committed to spending time on student issues. Spending the time speaks much louder than saying you're concerned.

The attempt to limit discussion about new issues is simply a political move to stifle the conservative opposition. The senate must not get caught between the battle of the political extremes and keep discussion of New Business alive in the meetings. Partisan battles are better than no battles.

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Student gov't faces shut-down after dispute

By Eric F. Coppelino
Student Leader News Service

BUFFALO — Buffalo State College President F.C. Richardson has ordered that the administration seize financial control of the student government after a dispute with the student government president over whether the Pledge of Allegiance should be said at senate meetings.

United Students' Government President Brian Hartman said the dispute erupted last Tuesday, when Richardson "commanded me to come up to his office" to discuss correspondence from Hartman about why USG had changed its policy on saying the pledge.

Traditionally, the Pledge of Allegiance is part of every USG Senate meeting. However, at the Nov. 7 meeting, a policy was put into effect that would require the Pledge of Allegiance to be added to the agenda a week in advance.

Upon reading about this in his weekly review of the USG senate minutes, Richardson sent a letter to Hartman saying he was "surprised and disappointed by this development."

Disrespect for Country

In his letter, Richardson also complained that two students sitting behind him did not stand for the playing of the national anthem at a recent basketball game, which he said was disrespectful of the country.

Hartman responded with a letter saying that neither the Faculty Senate nor the College Council say the pledge, and he saw no reason why USG should have to.

This letter prompted the call from Richardson Tuesday insisting on an immediate meeting.

When Hartman said he had a test and would only be able to come later, Richardson responded by threatening to seize control over the student government.

"He said that we were no longer custodians [of the student activity fee] and that he was consulting with SUNY legal, and hung up the phone," Hartman said.

According to Hartman, SUNY Central Administration staff attorney Marti Ann Ellerman, who helped write the recently approved SUNY Central plan to restructure the

SUNY-wide Student Assembly, is working with Richardson on the USG issue.

Eventually Hartman and Richardson agreed to meet at about 3 pm Tuesday.

Dispute Over Treasurer

Hartman, however, insisted on meeting in the presence of USG Treasurer Bill Ganley in order to have a witness in the discussion.

But Richardson would not let Ganley into his office, and the two were left but no choice but to leave.

Richardson then wrote a letter to Hartman claiming that Hartman had refused to meet with him, and therefore, had refused to comply with an "official request" to meet with the president.

An "official request" is a provision in the rules of all SUNY colleges that gives the president the power to issue orders to his subordinates.

On those grounds, he said he would instruct the Student Affairs office to begin to look for alternatives to using USG as the disbursing agent for the student activity fee, and was also considering de-recognizing USG.

USG officers, meanwhile, had moved to freeze their own bank accounts to prevent the administration from having access to them.

Because USG is a corporation, it has power over all funds that have been turned over to it by the administration.

Past Disputes

The administration of Buffalo State College, which was headed by D. Bruce Johnstone until Aug. 1, 1988 when Johnstone became SUNY chancellor, has had a notoriously rocky relationship with the campus student government.

In a battle between the mandatory athletic fee for the campus two years ago, Richardson suspended Hartman, who was then the USG's vice president, after he had an argument with the athletic director.

Hartman and then-USG President Ramone Parkins were suspended without a hearing for more than a week after arguing with administrators over who was paying for pro-athletic fee literature published by the administration.

HSC workers blast parking plan

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want the parking places returned that we're losing," said Jim Madison, executive vice-president of CSEA, Local 614. Alleyne added that if Marburger is concerned that the lot is unsafe, it is his responsibility to open an equivalent number of free spaces elsewhere.


'Workers Are Paying for Students'

The workers also voiced their concern regarding the 210 parking spaces in the three-tier lot, across from the gravel lot, that Marburger allocated to students. "The students have free use of parking that we pay for," said one protestor.


David Greene, regional coordinator of PEF said, "The gravel-lot issue is just a red herring." The real issue, said

Greene, is that the university "raises tuition to pay for college and you're paying for doctors to park their Mercedes-Benz's. If you want to save some money, don't charge parking fees. Fire some of the university vice-presidents who are in charge of nothing."

Alleyne said the university also acted in poor faith by closing the lot prematurely. Although a newsletter was distributed by the Department of Parking and transportation Services throughout the HSC announcing the Dec. 2 closing of the lot, Alleyne maintained that by Friday, November 29 the university began to restrict parking. Alleyne, an anesthesiologist at the University Hospital, was paged in the middle of a procedure in the operating room to remove his car from the lot, she said.



December Dilemma:



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Editorial

Compromise Good, But Not Enough

University President John Marburger struck a reasonable compromise with the students on the controversial parking issue last week, but what about the University Hospital workers?

In lieu of the ongoing parking protest from students and hospital employees as a result of the destruction of the gravel lot, a free parking facility near the hospital, with a plan to construct a parking garage and charge people to park there, Marburger made a compromise. Two hundred ten spaces will be given back to the students as free parking in a lot across the street from the gravel lot. Good compromise? Yes. Enough? No.

What about the hospital employees who will now have to pay to park in a limited number of spaces? By doing this, hospital employees will be covering the costs of the pavilion that was supposed to be

built for the newly constructed parking garage that we still are yet to see. Not to mention that most of them will not be able to park there due to lack of space. These workers will have to resort to parking in South P-Lot and taking the bus to their workplace — another expense for them. This "compromise" just doesn't cut it.

Marburger has made only part of the angry population happy. Now what about the other part?

Another parking protest was held yesterday, the day of the closure of the gravel lot, but where were all the protesters? Only a mere 20 concerned people showed up again, after two previous protests on the same issue this semester, to express their disapproval of the closure. Well, the reason for this is quite simple. Marburger decides to make a compromise that makes students, a large majority of most

protests, content. But the hospital employees are getting the short end of the stick because they have to work all day, hence the impossibility for them to cause an uproar and join in the protest for the gravel lot back. Very sneaky.

Where is the support from the students to keep pushing to get the lot reopened, not just for themselves, but for everyone? It is very selfish of the students to desert a cause they believe in just because they got part of what they wanted. Two months ago there were 400 students and staff protesting the same cause. Where were all these people yesterday?

There has got to be a better way to please both sides this parking lot affects. Our administrators can't please one side and expect the problem to disappear. This is hardly fair to the employees who deserve to get something out of this "compromise."

WRITE IN!

Statesman encourages responses from its readers. Write us at room 075, Student Union, Campus Zip #3200, or PO Box AE, Stony Brook, N.Y. 11790 and tell us what you think.

S&B Magazine

Campus Life, People and Events

Tuesday, December 3, 1991

Lines busy with sexual harassment

By Jana S. Katz
Statesman Staff Writer

IT'S 3 AM WHEN YOU finally pull the covers over your head, hoping to somehow be ready for the next day with only two hours sleep. Suddenly, the phone rings. You get out of bed to answer it, only to hear whispers of, "What are you wearing?" or "What kind of underwear do you have on?"

You have just been victim to one of the most common crimes on the campus of Stony Brook. Sexual harassment, using the telephone as a weapon.

Jim Lang, assistant director of Public Safety, classifies this type of sexual harassment as, "intentional come-ons to snide remarks." The University Conduct Code states that no student shall threaten or otherwise verbally abuse any other. But, "the victim decides if what is done or said is harassment," Lang says.

Pulling out a two inch stack of reports, Lang says about 160 of them are harassment, mostly sexual. Usually it's just, "boyfriend-girlfriend," disputes, the calls aren't serious, just annoying.

Some callers don't give up though. Lang says, after a series of calls, "there is usually a heightened sense of concern for safety." Though it may be hard to take things so seriously when a caller asks, "do you have pretty feet?" as one female dorm resident reports. "It was disgusting when he asked about the rest of my body," she said. This caller, it seems, can't get

"I didn't care if he asked about my underwear, I could just hang up on him. But, I was just like UGHHH."

— Bonnie Perpetua, resident assistant

enough descriptions of women's feet. Bonnie Perpetua, a Resident Assistant (RA), in G-quad, said, "One guy called the whole hall asking if we had pretty feet, at first I thought it was someone I knew. I guess he had foot fetish or something." As a freshman she received calls from another guy. "Either that he was gonna kill you or that he wanted to know what color underwear you were wearing," she said. "I didn't care if he asked about my underwear, I could just hang up on him. But, I was just like UGHHH."

Sometimes, callers leave messages on the phone mail system. Taped, the messages can obviously be tracked with the time and calling location, thanks to the voice of the famous phone mail lady. Terry Wilburg, an also RA in G-Quad said, "There was one person, she was a resident that broke up with her boyfriend. He kept calling her and stuff to see why she broke up with him. 'Why don't you come back to me? What did I do wrong?' One of her guy friends got aggravated

and started making threats on his life. 'You're dead, we're gonna come after you,' " Wilburg continued, "Then he did stuff like he left phone mail messages and because he left messages they traced where it was. They were both declared Persona Non Grata." In other words, they were banned from each other's buildings and requested to stay away from each other.

"Harassment is a section that you check off on an incident communication form," Wilburg said. An ICF, written out by an RA is for reporting an incident in the dorms. "The person can complain that they're being harassed and if its a recurring thing Public Safety will come and counsel the student," Wilburg explained. "And if the person calls from a phone mail system, Public Safety can go to that room and inquire about the calls that have been made."

Most students attribute the calls to stupidity and laugh it off, says Lang. Though he admits, "There's not a whole heck of a lot we can do," he does advise

some tips:

- Hang up immediately.
- Laugh into the phone and hang up.
- Say that the call is being recorded and I know who you are.

When a caller is caught, the case goes to the student judiciary. Gary Mis, head of Student Judiciary, says the sexual harassment calls range from saying, "they want to go to bed to describing their physical characteristics."

The levels of punishment range also. The lowest, level one, would be a student either waiving their right to trial with a guilty plea, or a hearing with a plea of not guilty. "Sanctions could potentially range from a letter of warning to suspension from the residence halls," says Mis. The second and third levels are more serious and may have involved behavior like grabbing or physical handling.

When investigating the crime, Lang asks victims what was said and if the voice was identifiable. He also asks if they would like counseling. The Counseling Center, on the second floor of the Infirmary building is available for this. Edward Podolnick, director of the center, says that the victims' reactions to feeling threatened are dealt with. "The victims need to acknowledge that they are being harassed," Podolnick says.

Breathing and such sounds may be common on dorm telephones. "There's idiot conduct here as anywhere else," Lang says, "if people just left people alone, we wouldn't have half the problems that we do."

U2 continues to grow

By Scott Joachim
Statesman Staff Writer

ABAND AS SUCCESSFUL AS U2 IS seldom able to abandon its origins while retaining popularity and respect from its fans. Musicians such as Sting are recognized for their political insight and social-awareness, while bands like the Beatles captured millions though most of their songs never swayed from topics of love.

After 12 years of political self-righteousness, U2 leaves behind their self-acclaimed political authoritative and enters yet another period in their growth. The change is a welcome surprise after a three year absence following six years of the *Joshua Tree* and its relatively unsuccessful follow up *Rattle and Hum*, which offered no such diversity. "In a way I think a band in transition is more interesting than a band at its destination. The going is more interesting than the getting there," asserted Bono during the 1987 *Joshua Tree Tour*. The newly released *Achtung, Baby* is the product of such thinking.

A band is compared not to other bands, but to its own past accomplishments. In this light, although U2's new release is entertaining and diverse, it is difficult for one

to escape ambivalence in the new U2. The release of *The Fly* as the first single was not only surprising, but disappointing to many mainstream U2 fans.

U2's lyrical revolution which once encompassed images of 'wrestling angels by burning crosses' and "a sun so bright it leaves no shadows, only scars, carved into stone on the face of earth," presently conveys messages no more complex and intuitive than "love is blindness." The abundance of cliches such as "I'm gonna run to you, woman be still," although highly unworthy of U2, is potentially overridden by the less serious industrial edge of an Irish band turned American.

Following the collapse of communism and the coup of political leaders worldwide, one would expect that U2 would be entrenched in politics for at least another 12 years. On the other hand, such lyrics may have proven redundant following *War* and *Joshua Tree*, which more than adequately reflected the political ideologies of the band. After all, Bono did get married, became a father, and, as he sings in *Until the End of the World*, "you miss too much these days if you stop to think."

The 12 track containing *Achtung, Baby*, like most albums, has its ballads, too. Although usually more generic than their upbeat, guitar-entrenched master-



U2, *Achtung, Baby*

pieces described only as "Edge-like", U2 has always had success with their ballads. This album should fare no different. Songs like *One* and *So Cruel* are excellent, although destined for overplay and destruction through incessant airplay on WPLJ and the like. I guess these are the sacrifices a band faces up to as they reach, or in U2's case, maintain success.

CAMPUS VOICES

By John O'Keefe

Question of the Week:

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Stevan Amengual, 19
Class: Sophomore
Major: English

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Jennifer Kranz, 20
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"I try to set up a date with a honey. That's cool."

Howdy Buford, 18
Sophomore
Psychology



"Sex."

Marlyn McMillian, 19
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What to do?

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DEAR DROPOUT:

Number one — what do you want to do? Do you want to go to medical school? If you do, I suggest taking your parents up on their offer. You can do without any extra financial burdens. But it sounds to me that you're hesitant about your career, so you need to focus on that problem, rather than deciding if you want your education handed to you on a silver platter.

DEAR MICHELE:

I am currently dating a guy who I work with and he has had a girlfriend for the last two years. I know that this situation is wrong, but it isn't stopping me from seeing him. It doesn't even bother me that when he's not with me, he's with his girlfriend. Am I wrong for feeling this way?

The Happy Homewrecker

Michele, a student at the State University at Stony Brook, is not a licensed counselor. All letters on sensitive subjects are reviewed by professional counselors at the Student Health Center in the infirmary. The opinions expressed are her own.

DEAR HAPPY:

I think the reason it doesn't bother you when he's with his girlfriend is because you're not ready to get serious with him. I only see problems arising when you sense strong emotions for him. If for now you're just concerned with having fun, well then, get nuts. He's not married, right? My best advice here is to be careful so you don't get hurt.

DEAR MICHELE:

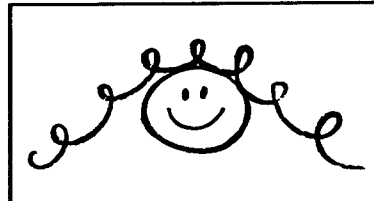
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A Close Friend

DEAR FRIEND:

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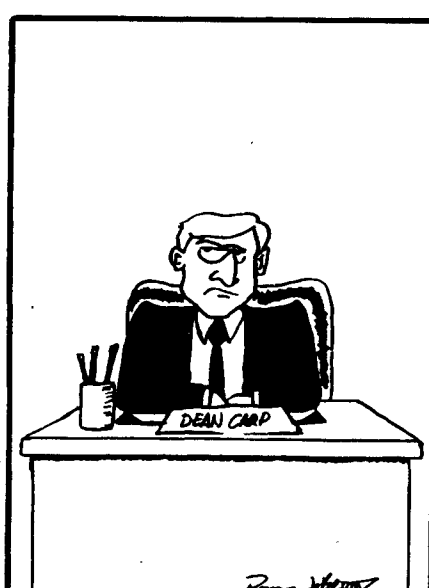
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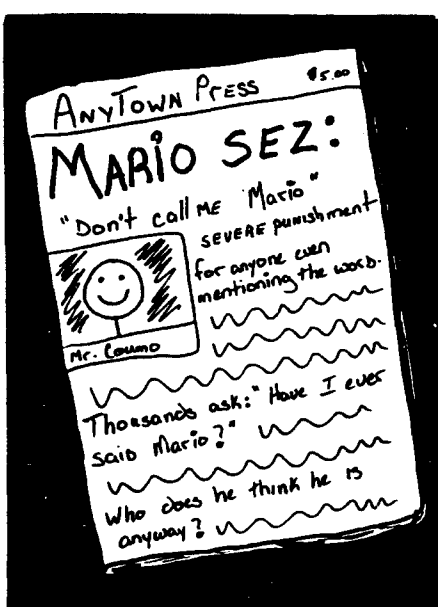
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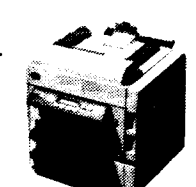


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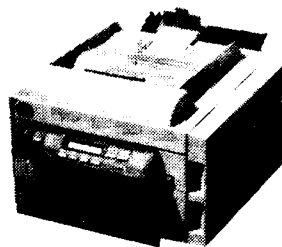
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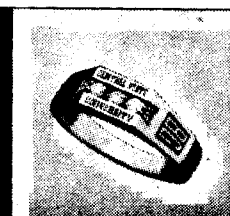
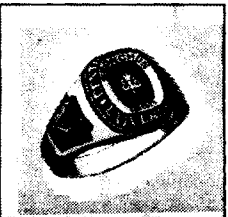
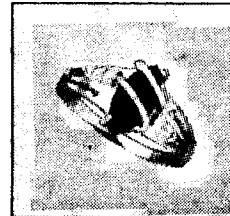
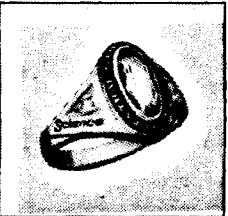
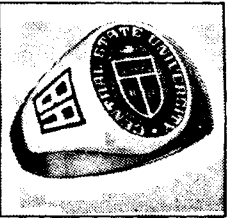
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Don't Forget Polity Senator's Actions

By Rebecca Warman

AFTER READING THE ARTICLE by Vincent Bruzzese, [Opinions, Monday, November 18] I had to make the decision whether to vomit or to write a response. As a student who regularly attends Polity meetings and who was present at the negotiations between Senators Bruzzese and Jerry Canada, I feel that I am qualified to make a few observations about Bruzzese's character and about his actions.

Bruzzese has an affinity for twisting situations to make him appear as an innocent victim.

I have to express my justifiable and firm belief that Bruzzese consistently proves his credibility to be worthless. The first and foremost proof of this is his continuous hypocrisy. As I previously stated, I was a witness at the negotiations that ensued after Senator Canada announced his charges against Senator Bruzzese. In the presentation of these charges, Canada stated that Bruzzese should be "impeached" and "permanently stripped of his Polity privileges."

During the negotiations that followed this presentation, Canada stated that his drastic disciplinary suggestions were for "dramatic effect." He argued that this is traditional practice in law; people often sue for millions to make a point and to stress the importance of the charges. Bruzzese claimed that this was slanderous and morally corrupt; that Canada's "dramatic effect" resulted in his name being "dragged through the mud." Bruzzese obviously feels that he is exempt from following his own moral belief that stating the extreme to make a point is corrupt. In his recent article, Bruzzese explains his motion to cut *The Stony Brook Press'* funding by stating the following: "First off, I did it to make a point. If just a little fear was instilled in them, then maybe they will think twice about what they print." This obviously contradicts his previous statements.

Bruzzese has an affinity for twisting situations to make him appear as an innocent victim. In his "Opinions" article, he cites several such cases. First, he states, "[The impeachment proceeding against me] was the most ludicrous thing I ever heard considering that they were based on false charges, which is why they were dropped with an apology." This is an inaccurate account of the actual circumstances surrounding the dropping of the charges. Senator Canada did not drop his charges because he believed them to be false. As stated in his agreement with Bruzzese, he did so with the belief that Bruzzese's actions may not have been malicious, as well as attempting to avoid the nonsensical, costly, and time consuming outside legal action that he was being threatened with. As for

apologizing to Bruzzese, Canada would not concede on this point as he did not believe that his actions called for an apology.

In his article, Bruzzese give an account of his senatorial attempt to "give the Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps more funding." He goes on to claim that President Dan Slepian took the floor and "shot the idea down." This too is inaccurate. I was present at the aforementioned Polity meeting. President Slepian did not shoot down Bruzzese's idea. Slepian instead

pointed out that while he felt that the Ambulance Corps is a fine organization, which probably deserves more funding, Bruzzese violated parliamentary procedure in that he did not follow the correct channels in trying to establish a referendum. Slepian also expressed his concern about the fact that Bruzzese does not seem at all versed in correct senate proceedings. I concur with this concern, especially since Bruzzese repetitively claims to be a long-time active member of Polity and should be familiar with these proceedings.

As I read Bruzzese's article, I could not help but question his motives. I found myself wondering if his attack against Slepian was motivated by personal issues, or if he intended to reveal his subversive political agenda. I was sickened by his weak attempts at justifying his recent actions and found his arguments reminiscent of the campaign speeches of Louisiana's notorious David Duke. I won't forget these issues when election time rolls around, and I can only hope that Stony Brook students won't forget them either.

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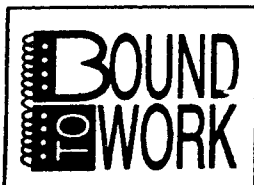
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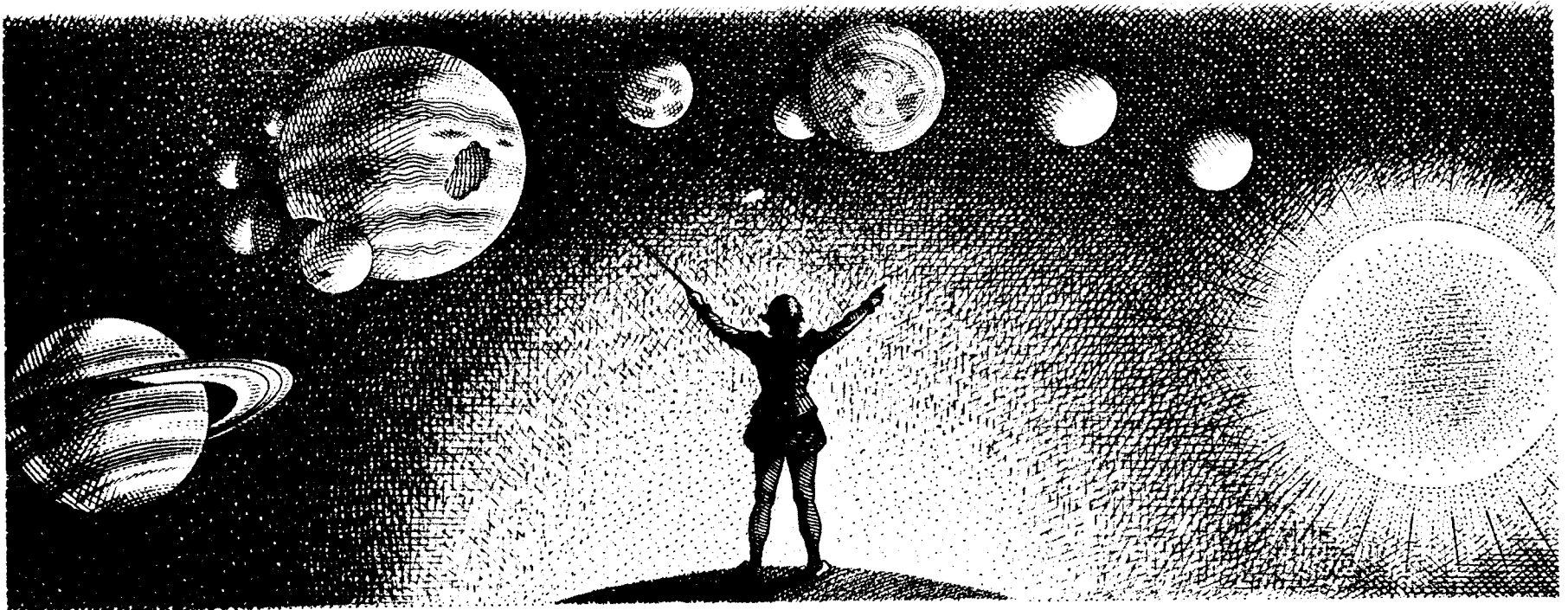
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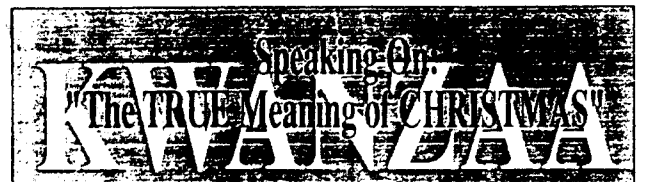
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Sports and Smiles on the Lower East Side

THIS THANKSGIVING, I WENT BACK TO a place where I really grew up — the Lower East Side.

I walked nostalgically through the Haven Plaza grounds — the foundation for all my athletic curiosities.

I went back to the elementary school yard across the street that was the site for many punch ball heroics.

And I saw the little school kids of today who have replaced what my friends and I were of yesterday.

In the Fall of 1982, my family and I abandoned the luxuries of a midtown brownstone on 47th and Third to be near my grandparents and a school on 12th and Avenue C. For most, this Manhattan address is known as "Alphabet City" — a little corner of the world that offers its own caveat — stay out!

The Haven Plaza grounds I called home were only a block away from the Jacob Riis projects that housed what midtown wouldn't.

While most parents of Haven Plaza and most parents of Jacob Riis were in somewhat two different worlds, their children were not. We all formed an association as kids of Public School 34 on Szold Place — where a game of punch ball was as apple pie as anything America had to offer.



SANDRA SAYS

Sandra B. Carreon

My brother, sisters and I attended elementary school with people who graduated the sixth grade and entered the schools of drug dealing and pregnancy. My siblings and I were lucky because we had a choice — our parents gave and funded for us that choice. I went on to a private prep school on Fifth Avenue and eventually here at Stony Brook; my older sister graduated Humanities High School before entering a Manhattan college; my brother, in his senior year at Humanities, interns at a hospital; and my younger sister is thriving amid the excitement of the Performing Arts High School near Lincoln Center.

Many of our punch ball buddies and grade school confidants were not as fortunate. Victims of the so-called system, they found themselves stifled and realizing that the glory years came too young for them in life — in the P.S. 34 school yard where we were the stars in a reality of dreams.

I remember being taught how to jump Double Dutch by kids whom I thought then would go on to greatness of some sort. Their patience and candid senses of humor were enough to make me admire them.

The same kids taught me how to play "skelly tops" — aiming with a bottle top from one box to another without getting caught in the middle, or "jail." I remember a bigger thrill than winning the game was watching the melange of Crayola colors melt on the tops we chose to represent us on the cement board. We'd place

soda bottle covers where the Con Edison plant lets out steam and watch bright orange and blue chunks of crayon liquefy then harden on a round surface.

I remember investing allowance money on blue, red, black Spalding balls that someone always managed to roof, causing me tremendous grief.

And I remember 9 am wake-up calls on Saturday summers for around-the-clock-games of Off-the-Ledge or Manhunt.

The day before Thanksgiving, I watched school yard children play "Red Light, Green Light 1-2-3" and it reminded me of what life was like for me back then. Everyday was like a drink of perfection, bottled in limitless dreams — when living was simple and smiling and laughing were unforced and unrehearsed.

This past summer, my older sister and I lived together on 47th street, back where we were before Haven Plaza. We enjoyed our location, being where restaurants and shopping stores were good and aplenty. But though we should have been satisfied with the ease of our lifestyle, we often went back to Haven Plaza to visit and relive a piece of our happy history.

We saw old friends playing variations of old games. We made new friends who welcomed us to new ones.

And last Wednesday, I saw why I keep coming back to the Lower East Side.

Uninhibited by conscious worries, yet mired in socioeconomic problems, the children of the Lower East Side are quick to play sports, invent new ones, laugh, smile and live.

Patriots win in consolation; track sets record

The Patriots women's basketball team opened up its season with a disappointing loss last Sunday in the third place game of the Eastern Connecticut Invitational.

Colby defeated Stony Brook, 76-62. The Patriots made it to the consolation game as a result of its 81-55 loss on Saturday to St. Joseph's of Maine. Sophomore forward Joan Gandolf had 18 boards in the defeat.

In their next contest, the Patriots thrashed CCNY 68-14. Gandolf and freshman guard Kathy Hynes were game-high in points with 12; Gandolf had 15 rebounds.

The men's basketball team enter this week at 3-2 after two consecutive losses to Hunter, 83-76 and Keuka, 73-70 before its win Sunday against Nazareth.

Against Keuka in the Nazareth Invitational this weekend, the team rallied from a 15-point halftime deficit. With 24 seconds left in the game, junior point guard Emeka Smith, who had 28 points, tied the score at 70 with a three-pointer. Keuka then untied it for the win with a long three-point shot at the buzzer.

The loss enabled Stony Brook to play

the consolation game against Nazareth. Paced by Smith, who was team-high in points with 18, the Patriots defeated their hosts 94-68 and captured third place in the tournament. Senior guard Michael Francis and sophomore forward Vernard Williams each had 17 points.

The men's and women's indoor track teams opened up their season on the right foot, so-to-speak, as sophomore Anderson Vilien set a new university long jump record.

Vilien's 23 feet, 4.25 inches qualifies

him for the NCAA Division III Championships in March. Vilien also won third place in the 55-meter dash with a time of 6.6 seconds.

Senior Mike Roth earned a first place finish in the 1500-meter race walk by clocking in at 7 minutes, 5.3 seconds.

Sophomore Chris Wilson also finished first with a 2.17 showing in the 800-meter race.

On the women's side, senior Margie Nawrocki won the gold medal in the 1500-meter race walk by coming in at 7.56.

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Thursday, Dec. 5, 7:30 pm.

Squash at Wesleyan:
Friday, Dec. 6, 4 pm.

Trenton State sinks Patriots to .500

By Susan Rodi
Statesman Sports Writer

Although the men's swimming team gave Trenton State College a good workout at their dual meet here last Saturday, the Patriots dropped its season record to 1-1 with a tough loss.

Stony Brook raced very well, according to Head Coach John DeMarie **Men's Swimming** who seemed surprised and pleased with the performance of the team — especially in the 400-yard medley.

Freshman Scott Mitchell, sophomore Joe Morawski, junior Brian Seeley and senior Mike Defina participated in the 400-yard medley. The medley swimmers improved their time from 3:54 minutes to 3:48.2. DeMarie said that anchor Seeley raced an outstanding 100-yard freestyle, possibly his best time ever. Morawski, the breastroker in the medley and Defina, who raced the butterfly, also showed tremendous improvement in their respective times.

Stony Brook also had three very good 200-yard freestylers — Frank Rubenbauer recorded a time of 1:51.37, Larry Sullivan clocked in at 1:55.63 and Scott Mitchell came it at 1:55.63.

"We're becoming pretty strong in the 50-yard sprint," said DeMarie. He believes

that Seeley is of National quality and that sophomore Zack Buck has developed tremendous strength. In the 50-yard freestyle, Seeley took first place and Buck backed him up taking third.

The 200-yard butterfly was a difficult race for Defina, junior Mark Palagiano and freshman Sean Muzzy to win — considering that Trenton State had an excellent butterflyer in Eldad Edreey on their side. Although Edreey took first, Palagiano took second and Defina grabbed third.

Seeley and Buck raced their best times ever in the 100-yard freestyle. Complementing these performances, freshman Pete O'Connor made a lot of progress in this race. This race was, in DeMarie's opinion, "really good for us."

Rubenbauer and Sullivan showed that they have improved in the 500-yard freestyle. In both the Maritime meet last week and the Trenton State meet, they took second and third for the team. Morawski challenged Trenton State's Keith Benson with a time of 2:20.13, just four-hundredths of a second behind Benson. Sophomore Willie Mullen and Muzzy backed up Morawski's efforts in this very close competition.

DeMarie said that he sees a lot of talent in this event as there are in the 400-yard freestyle. Jim Caldrony showed a lot of



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Brian Seeley gets off starting block before loss to Trenton State last Saturday.

ability as an anchor for this race. "He becomes a legitimate individual for this relay," said DeMarie.

The one-meter and three-meter diving competitions were very exciting for the team. They watched three minimally experienced divers take first, third and fourth in the one-meter, making Trenton State's Dan Nicastro shake in his boots, so to speak. Nicastro's diving experience was obvious but sophomore Dan Tesone was able to steal first away from him.

The only setback for this meet was the temporary loss of freshman Joe Whelan. Whelan recently had an operation. He has been swimming as much as possible, get-

ting ready to hopefully swim in the meet against Albany. DeMarie explained that having one swimmer out of commission affects the whole team. Since each swimmer can only participate in three events, the coaches were forced to move some swimmers around.

The next dual meet for the men's swim team will be on Friday, Dec. 6. Stony Brook will face Albany. DeMarie is confident about this upcoming meet since Stony Brook has defeated Albany in the past. "We're essentially similar to Albany," said DeMarie — referring to funding and recruitment policies. He said that this meet will be "a good indicator of [the team's] success."

USB fields the few, the proud, the Express

By Sandra B. Carreon
Statesman Sports Editor

For six Patriots, the road to stardom has not been travelled without a sigh. Jerry Canada, Roger Gill, Wayne Mattadeen, Courtney O'Mealley, Anderson Vilien and Chris Wilson have worked hard to create a positive reputation for the Stony Brook men's track team. The fruits of their labor have translated into success, albeit unrecognized.

The Express, as they are known throughout NCAA circuits, did not receive the respect their performances last year deserved. When the team won the ECAC Indoor Championships last year, some members of the team felt their efforts were overlooked by the University Athletic Department.

"We won the Nationals," said Vilien. "Where's the banner? There's no banner for us up in the gym. The Athletic Department promised us sweatshirts for winning the ECAC. We haven't gotten them yet either."

Mattadeen agrees with his teammate. "Our program is going somewhere now," said Mattadeen. "We run our asses off and they don't even give us the sneakers to run in."

That some of the runners feel they lack recognition has not hindered their competitive showing. "It didn't demoralize us," said Vilien. According to Gill, who was the first Stony Brook freshman to be named All-American,

"It made us work that much harder to get [campus] recognition."

But while campus attention has not been easy to come by, Canada, Gill, Mattadeen, O'Mealley, Vilien and Wilson have enjoyed the respects afforded them by opponents. It was their opponents who nicknamed this group of runners, the Express. "Some Division I runners after a meet said to us, 'You're all very fast.' They were surprised at how young we were," said Vilien. "They said we should call ourselves the Freshmen Express. But now, we're all sophomores so it's just the Express."

As first-year collegiate runners last year, other colleges were uncertain of just how good Stony Brook was. "Nobody knew what to expect from us before," said Canada, who also serves the university as a Polity senator. "People used to see us before and say 'Who's that?' Now it's, 'Here comes Stony Brook.'"

Each takes pride in the accomplishments of the others and hopes that one's achievements will serve as motivation for the rest of the team. "One of my best experiences was watching Roger catch seven runners at the Penn relays this year after being behind," said Vilien. "I was happy just watching him."

Members of the Express have formed a special bond that transcends their collective success on the field. "We're very tight," said O'Mealley. First-year Express Wilson

concur. "We're like brothers," said Wilson. "We share the dream of becoming the first team at Stony Brook to give the school a National championship. We all try to take care of each other."

The Express, however, is mourning the loss of former teammate and All-American Jean Massillon, who was lost to graduation. "We will miss him on the field," said Vilien. "We can't afford to lose his experience and expertise. We really hope he becomes our graduate assistant coach."

Off the field, Express members are quick with jokes that help to foster a family atmosphere on the field. They are not afraid to talk about their abilities. Instead, they have the confidence and even the arrogance to set high goals that will push them to maintain high standards.

The team objective is to "win the 4x400 and 4x100 relays as well as repeat as ECAC champs" said Canada. "It's never been done before by any school."

"We want to have a great impact," said O'Mealley. "We want to set a precedent for Stony Brook athletics."

In working its way to making a significant impact, the Express is devoted to seizing the spotlight it demands. Canada, Gill, Mattadeen, O'Mealley, Vilien and Wilson have issued a caveat to the rest of the league: They are back — stronger and better than last year. And they will not hesitate as Vilien says, "to shoot for the star and fall back on the moon."

Sandra Says: Sports Lives on the Lower East Side