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Shut Down



Students congregate outside the seized City College of New York North Academic Center last Monday afternoon.

CUNY students protest budget cuts, tuition hike; force closing of eight campuses

By Eric F. Coppolino Student Leader News Service

Faced with the near doubling of educational costs over just one year, students at City University of New York have come out roaring.

Half of the CUNY system was shut down under student protests this week, beginning with the students at the City College of New York seizing the massive North Academic Complex before dawn last Monday.

By mid-week, CCNY students had possession of seven campus buildings, with students at Borough of Manhattan Community College, Lehman College, Hunter College, Bronx Community College, Hostos Community College, New York City Technical College, and Brooklyn College chaining and barricading themselves inside administration and academic buildings.

As of Wednesday night the administration at City College canceled all classes until further notice, according to a College spokesperson.

Students, demanding that the State Legislature block Gov. Mario Cuomo's proposed annual tuition hikes of \$500, plus halt devastating cuts to financial aid and nearly \$100 million in cuts to the CUNY system, said every other lobbying tactic they tried had failed.

Student outrage is compounded by the fact that this would be the second round of simultaneous tuition hikes, financial aid cuts and budget cuts to hit CUNY and the State University of New York in just six months.

"They can't ignore this," said Rafael Alvarez, president of the CCNY Day Student Government, whose organization met with key legislators on campus and in Albany, took part in protest marches, organized massive legislative letter writing drives and sent 14,000 letter writing kits out to the entire City College student body

"I think that students have to make their voice be heard," said State Assembly Member Ed Sullivan, chair of the Higher Education Committee, responding to news of the takeovers. "I'm encouraged that their voice is being raised so that the political community will pay attention to it." he said.

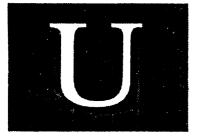
According the *The New York Times*, the first days of the City College protests, with just one building shut down, had forced the college to cancel 70% to 75% of classes. Outside City College in Harlem, and on other campuses across the city, thousands of students rallied in support of the protestors and against the state budget cuts they say are destroying the CUNY system.

Cuomo, in his proposed budget, called for cuts to the Tuition Assistance Program that will cost students up to \$400, compounded by elimination of the Regents Scholarship Program, the STEP and C-STEP scholarship programs, and cancellation of the Governor's much-boasted-about Liberty Scholarship program before even the first check was written.

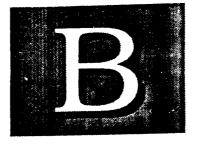
Police and hired security guards were used to take back buildings at Lehman, BMCC and BCC, with isolated reports of some police violence and rough treatment of protestors.

"Our message is that we're not happy with the proposed tuition increase and budget cuts, and we're not going to take it," Alvarez said. "What [Cuomo] is doing is closing the doors to access for thousands of students in the CUNY system. If students can't make it at CUNY, where else can they go? Tell me where."

In recent years, state and city budget cuts have caused hundreds of faculty and staff layoffs across CUNY, forcing cancellation of more than three thousand class sections system-wide. Meanwhile, a mid-year tuition hike came with an unexpected cut to financial aid, dealing final blows to the educations of students in virtually every program on every campus.







Weekly

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, APRIL 15

OB/GYN Conference "GYN Oncology Tumor Conference" W. Mann M.D. Conference Room, UH MR-N, SB/HSC 4:00 pm.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

Emergency Medicine Conference, "M & M" R.L Wighton, M.D., Emergency Dept. Conference Room, 560, UH L4, SB/HSC noon

Second Annual Mr. and Ms. Stony Brook University Body Building Competition. 8 pm, Union Ballroom. Tickets \$4. For information call 632-1782...

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

Department of Music Wednesday Noontime Concert Series. Features graduate students performing a varied program. Recital Hall, Staller Center for the Arts. Call632-7235.

Stony Brook Contemporary Chamber Players Preview "Six Premieres." 8:00 p.m. Open to the public. Free. Staller Center for the Arts. (Premier Concert: April 28 at Merkin Concert Hall, N.Y.C.) Call 632-7330.

Baseball vs. St. Joseph's (Patchogue). 3:00 p.m. Call 632-7287.

Nutritional Support Committee "Medical Conference" J. Faro, M.D. Conference Room UH 18S, SB/HSC 3:00 pm

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

Distinguished Corporate Scientist Lecture Series, "Cytokines and Cytokine Receptors: Immu-regulatory Proteins with Therapeutic Potential," David Urdall, Immunex Corp. Sponsored by the Center for Biotechnology. Noon, Lecture Hall 6, Level 3, Health Sciences Center. Call 632-8521.

Baseball vs. Dowling. 3:30 p.m. Call 632-7287.

The Italian Cultural Society presents "Gli Imbianchini Non Hanno Ricordi", 8:00 p.m. Theatre 2 Staller Center, reception to follow.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

Office of Conferences and Special Events, "Old And New in the 15th Century." April 19, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.;

Infectious Diseases Conference "Clinical Conference" R. Steigbigel, M.D. Room 025, T16, SB/HSC 4:00 pm.

ICON-X Convention. East Coast's largest science fiction, fact, and fantasy convention featuring writers, editors, artists, scientists, engineers, film and TV producers and actors, videos, writers workshops, displays and more. April 19: 5:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m.; April 20: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.; April 21: 9:00 a.m. - midnight. Ticket prices vary. For information on events and their location on campus, call 632-6460 or 632-6472.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

Office of Conferences and Special Events "Old and New in the 15th Century," April 20, 8:30 a.m.- noon. Harriman Hall. Call 632-6320.

University Hospital Dentistry "Resident Case Presentations" Rm. 152, L3, SB/HSC 2:00 pm.

United States Volley Ball Association Tournament. 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., Indoor Sports Complex East Wing. Call 632-7200.

Women's Softball vs. Mt. St. Vincent. Doubleheader. 11:00 a.m. Call 632-7287.

The School of Continuing Education at the State University of New York at Stony Brook is offering a 2-hour mini-seminar entitled "An Introduction to Commercial/Industrial Real Estate" from 10:00 am-noon. Fee: \$49.00. For more information or to register, call the Office of Professional, Management and HRD Programs at 632-7071.

Men's Tennis vs. Dowling. 1:00 p.m. Varsity Courts. Call 632-7287.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Association of Suffolk County Swim Coaches Swim Meet. 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Indoor Sports Complex East Wing. Call 632-7200.

Send Information for the USB Weekly Calendar of Events to Rm. 058 Student Union.





Blood drive protestors go to trial



Valbrune, left, and Severe at the courthouse in Hauppauge.

Statesman News Editor

The case involving second degree riot charges against Haitian Student Organization members Emanuel Severe and Philippe Valbrune was postponed until April 24 when the two students go to trial.

The charges against the HSO members were not dropped after defense attorney Henry O'Brien, a former Student Polity Association attorney, submitted a written motion to dismiss the case during Friday's hearing at the Suffolk County District Court.

O'Brien requested that the charges be dropped because of a university policy that states it is not to discriminate against any segment of the campus. O'Brien told Statesman, "I think they [the University] violated their own basic principles of ad-

The criminal charges stem from the said Severe.

Dec. 4 confrontation between Public Safety officers and HSO blood drive protestors, who condemned the Food and Drug Administration's policy that banned Haitians and sub-Saharan Africans from do-

"It is a propreity on the part of the University to have rules against discrimination," said O'Brien. "But they conducted a blood drive.

O'Brien plans to subpoena University President John Marburger because he approved the blood drive.

Severe and Valbrune were suspended from the University for one year and six months respectively after the Student Judiciary Committee found them gulity on University charges. The HSO members now face criminal charges.

"I think the outcome will be good,"

pports protestors; sleep-in continues tence is too "severe," and calls for sensitiv-The Polity Council unanimously

passed a resolution last week supporting the two blood drive protestors arrested during last semester's blood drive riot.

The resolution said the council will do "what it deems appropriate" in helping Emanual Severe and Philippe Valbrune, who were suspended one year and six months respectively by the University Judiciary Committee for their involvement in the Dec. 4 riot outside the Melville Library.

The resolution says the judicial sen-

ity training for the Department of Public Safety for its alleged involvement in the

The support for the students included the funding of a school bus to transport students to the courthouse in Hauppauge Friday. And it will include the use of the Polity endorsement on flyers distributed by the HSO announcing a protest in front of the Administration Building this Friday.

Meanwhile, student supporters re-

mained in the Administration Building last week, as their takeover approached the one-week mark. Students have been sleeping in the lobby of the building since Severe and Valbrune were sentenced by the judiciary last week. — David Joachim



Protestors sit-in inside Administration Building.

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Unopposed Races May Call for Write-Ins

VE SEEN SOME pretty boring elections in my time, but tomorrow's Polity election takes the party politics contradict everything student governprize. Out of six races for office, three

have already been decided.

The races for president, secretary and News Views iunior class representative each have candidates running unopposed.

Some election.

This after six Common Sense candidates were disqualified last week for allegedly launching their campaigns early. While these candidates are currently appealing the decision of the election board to the university judiciary, it is unlikely a decision will be made before the elections tomorrow. And even if a decision is made, Common Sense — the first student gov-

ernment political party on campus — is unlikely to be preserve a democracy at Stony Brook. victorious against the mighty Polity.

The disqualifications were unfortunate. Although

ment stands for, this year's election might have been interesting. For the first time in many years at Stony Brook, we may have seen a real battle for office, instead of a continuation of the status quo.

Tragic was the timing of the disqualifications. If Common Sense was told it was to be disqualified earlier than last week, we may have seen other candidates emerge, and a democracy would still exist. And perhaps it would have given Common Sense and Polity more time to interpret the election bylaws allegedly broken by the party, instead of the confusion that now exists.

But there may still be one way to

Perhaps you don't like Dan Slepian, the incumbent

candidate for president; Wendy Wohlman, the candidate for secretary; or Christine Tracy, the candidate for junior rep. What do you do? Exercise your right to write-in a candidate.

There are several candidates, including many formerly on the Common Sense ticket, campaigning for the write-in vote. Don't ignore them. They have as much to say as the "official" Polity candidates. And they provide a choice during a seemingly choiceless election.

Above all, don't allow the petty politics that brought us to this election to dissuade you from voting. There are still several positions and referenda on the ballot that are just as worthy of your time as any of the unopposed positions. And a decent turnout at this election will send a message that despite the political games of Polity and Common Sense, we are still keeping an eye on our elected representatives.

Vote tomorrow. It is your right to decide where your activity fee goes, and who represents your interests.

Candidates on Tomorrow's Ballot

Because of the recent disqualification of six Polity candidates, there has been confusion about who is running for Polity office tomorrow. The following is an updated list.

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Campus celebrates week of the child

By Adam Wiener

Statesman Staff Writer

Having their faces painted bright colors, watching a magician perform tricks and experiencing a vast array of cultural and ethnic foods were just some of the activities the children from the Stony Brook Child Care Services got involved in during the second annual Week of the Young Child.

Not only did the children have a full schedule for the week, but their parents or guardians were able to get involved in activities and programs about their children as well. The center sponsored a series of afternoon and evening workshops for the parents of the children who attend the child care center. All workshops were open to

the public

"Our aim was not necessarily to educate the children on AIDS or on self esteem, because we do that every single day through the projects that we do with the kids," said Diane T. Doyle, a child counselor at the child care center. "It was really to educate the outside public as to what is appropriate for young children. As professionals, we felt we were the avenue to get to those parents."

According to Doyle the two main thrusts of the workshops were the health and safety issues for young children and the issues of self esteem and the different variables that can encourage self esteem.

These workshops covered topics ranging from infant nutrition to young children and AIDS, according to Doyle.

"We tried to get a real diversity of perspectives," said Doyle. "People that are doing the workshops are either experts in their field or have a great interest that they have become an expert in their field," said Doyle.

The biggest event during the Week of the Young Child, according to Doyle, was the Children's Fair on Saturday in the Union Fireside Lounge. The fair was also open to the public.

Currently, the Stony Brook Child Care Services, INC. houses four facilities, two infant and two age three to five centers. The centers are currently in the process of becoming accredited by the National Association and Education of Young Children, according to Doyle.

AIDS: How does the disease affect children?

By Lisa Volpicella Statesman Staff Writer

A panel discussion called Young Children and AIDS was held Wednesday as part of the third annual Week of the Young Child event.

"AIDS is one of five leading causes of death in childhood," said Sharon Nachman, an M.D., who works in the Pediatric AIDS Center at Stony Brook University Hospital. "All children with HIV will eventually die of their disease."

This is a reality that many children have to face, according to Nachman. She said it is a traumatizing experience for young minds to have to deal with. "It's no longer a disease of poor and minority

groups," said Nachman.

There are also many children from the city area sent to foster homes on Long Island, according to Chris Golder, who works in the Suffolk County Department of Social Service.

"When children come into foster care it usually is because their parents cannot care for that child," explains Golder.

According to Golder, they have tested over 200 children for AIDS and only three have been HIV positive. "All of these children's mothers were IV drug users."

The problem with foster children and AIDS is getting them a place to stay, according to Golder. Many foster parents do no want to risk infecting their biological or

adopted children with the disease. "You can't educate out the fears and prejudices because people are still afraid," said Golder.

A big problem is that people do not realize that adult AIDS is a totally different disease than pediatric AIDS, according to Anita Belman, an M.D. who works in the Department of Neurology at Stony Brook University Hospital. "The media is stuck on adult numbers and doesn't take a look at children," said Belman. She said children with AIDS have delayed development. At 12 months old they still cannot sit up, like a normal child should be doing by nine months.

The disease comes on very quickly. At 18 months, a child can seem to make progress, but one year later they begin to deteriorate, according to Belman. She said there is evidence of a generation of eight and nine year-olds who are totally asystematic and will become HIV positive.

The panel discussed the New York State laws preventing people and institutions from finding out if a child has the infectious disease. However, Steve Held, director of Just Kids, a Long Island preschool, disagrees with this law.

"I don't agree that schools shouldn't know," said Held. "We have a difficult time when we don't know. In a school, you're dealing with young kids and you have to try and be honest with them."

Held said many teachers have backed away from teaching children who have AIDS. "We had to develop a lot of training, trust and support systems." Held, just like many others, is afraid of his school's reputation. He said he has children with AIDS at his school, but sometimes he is afraid some information will leak and ruin his business.

"I really believe the most effective education comes from personal experience," said Lori Darroch, who works at the Long Island Association for AIDS Care. "All these children feel they are alone, even though they're not."

The panel discussion was presented by the Social Science Interdisciplinary Program and the Center for Excellence and Innovation in Education.



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CUNY Has Acted. Now It's Our Turn

It's just the beginning.

As City University students shut down half of the CUNY campuses, it is sending a message to the state legislature and Governor Mario Cuomo that students will not tolerate the treatment they have been receiving.

It's about time somebody acted. Faced with a possible 60 percent tuition increase, a \$400 cut in Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) awards, a mountain of fees, and a \$10 million cut in services, we can look forward to many students leaving us next semester. And those that do stay can expect fewer and larger classes, longer lines, 200 fewer staff members and a huge bill. All for over \$2,000.

The treatment of the students in the public universites of New York has been criminal. CUNY students are right to take over their administrations, telling the state that they are ready to take control of their education, even if it means shutting down the entire system.

And the protests are sending an even more profound message to the entire nation: students care about their education. Education must and will be a priority of the state.

Perhaps these protests, and others like them, will tell Mario and friends that they can expect a battle. Students are through with allowing legislative mainipulation.

Cuomo has repeatedly said he is in favor of free tuition for all students who wish to attend New York public universities. Free. Words are great, but where are the results, governor?

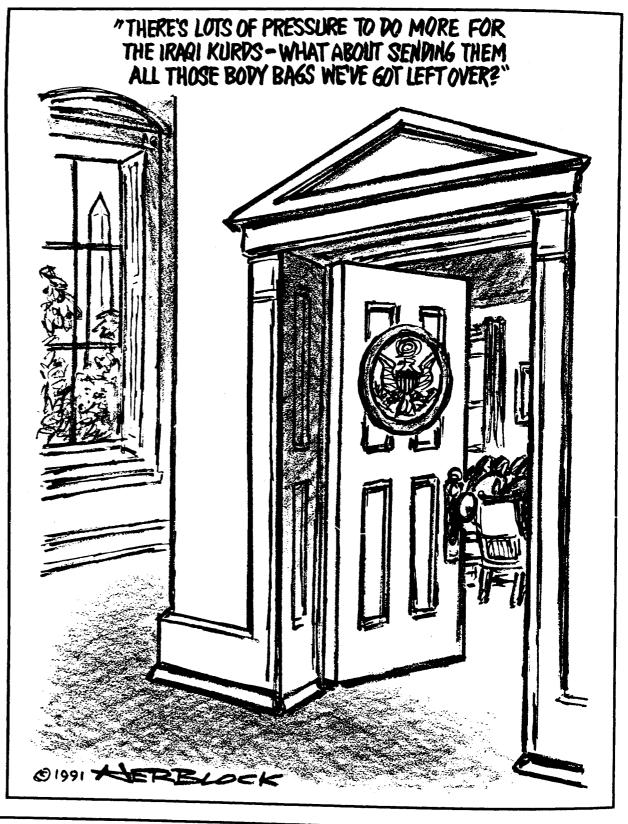
It is possible. The state can afford it. Twenty years ago, tuition cost nothing for thousands of public university students. Now we will pay over \$2,150 after the \$500 tuition increase is passed. But now the state uses over \$120 million to subsidize private universities. Where have our priorities gone?

Worse than this is the insistance of the legislature to delay the raise in taxes to the richest New Yorkers. The hike would raise millions of dollars for public education. They can afford it. Students can't.

Okay, CUNY has acted. Now it's time that SUNY students followed CUNY's lead and took control of their situation. The SUNY campuses which would make a larger and more threatening statement to Albany.

Or, of course, students can sit back and

are much larger and more numerous than CUNY, expect more fees for services we already have, higher tuition for fewer classes, and a decrease in the quality and accessibility of our education. You decide.



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The Five Heartbeats

Townsend's Five Heartbeats takes risks, but works well

By Glenn P. Warmuth
Statesman Feature Writer

The Five Heartbeats, from 20th Century Fox, is the story of five African-American men who join together to form an R&B group in 1965. The movie shows the group's rise to popularity and the struggles they faced over their 25 year career.

The story is loosely based on R&B groups The Four Tops, The Spinners, The Temptations, and The Dells. Director Robert Townsend spent time touring with The Dells to research what their lives were actually like. The Dells also worked as technical advisors on the film.

What Townsend came up with was a film that's not afraid to take chances. There are many moments in this movie that are silly, campy and even cheesy. However, this is more than made up for during certain key points in the film. When he did it right he created scenes that send chills up your spine. Townsend has proved that he is willing to go out on a limb in his directing.

One scene in particular pairs Townsend with twelve year old Tressa Thomas, who plays his younger sister. In this scene the two join together in an old fashioned musical number. We see them compose the Heartbeats first hitsingle, "We Haven't Finished Yet." The scene takes on a fantasy quality with Townsend piecing together discarded lyrics as Thomas belts out the song. The scene is an interesting change from what audiences were exposed to prior to that scene.

Set in the mid-60's, the expected scenes of prejudice and racial degra-

dation are portrayed. At one point they are pulled over, harassed and demoralized by a group of white policemen. This is just one of the comments the film makes on the racism African-American musical groups have had to face while just trying to make music.

The story spans 25 years and Townsend uses many techniques to bridge the gaps. There are three montages which show the growth of the group. These were reminiscent of the montage in *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid*. There is also an interesting use of black and white, which later changes to color. These techniques show that Townsend is not afraid to try different styles in his films. He experiments and shifts perspectives to see how far he can go.

The film is written by Townsend and Keenen Ivory Wayans. Townsend wrote, directed and stared in Hollywood Shuffle. Wayans directed the blacksploitation, kung-fu satire, I'm Gonna Git You Sucka, and writes and stars in the comedy series, In Living Color. These men have started to carve their niche in Hollywood. They are trying to change the system which historically has excluded and exploited African American performers.

The Five Heartbeats is an interesting film with some big moments. It tends to drag somewhat, but this is only a result of the amount of development that the characters and the group go through. Unfortunately, the movie is being overlooked by many and may not be in the theaters for long, but the story is interesting and is definitely worth a look.

FLC offers an alternative

Revamped program geared toward students' needs

By Stephen L. Shapiro Statesman Staff Writer

Education is not a spectator sport. As members of a large University community, one may feel 'lost," asking poignant questions: such as "where are all the abstractions and fancy terminology applicable for use in our daily lives?" The Federated Learning Communities is the answer, providing a small college atmosphere at USB, really the "best of both worlds."

Global problems/National Priorities, the theme program scheduled for the 1991-92 academic year, is designed to explore the underlying economic, political, cultural, and religious factors that lead to international conflict.

Specific topics that will be addressed include the war in the Persian Gulf, Global warming and Ozone layer depletion, the international AIDS epidemic, disintegration of the Soviet Union, "third world" liberation struggles, nuclear proliferation, as well as rainforest destruction.

In addition, factors which inhibit the resolution of global problems that are due to such matters like environmental pollution, resource scarcity, and plagues will be stressed.

As an undergraduate, FLC offers a unique, student-centered learning environment. Students completing the program earn credit for an academic minor, while most of the courses satisfy Core requirements. Finally, the student will get to know faculty who can be sources of future recommendations.

"FLC is an opportunity to gain a better understanding of the global problems that are likely to have an effect on your life," said FLC Acting Director Ted Goldfarb. "When asked about the success of the program, former FLC students have found it to be the most rewarding, enjoyable experience available at Stony Brook."

The theme Global Problems/National Priorities, is comprised of two semesters of select university course offerings. One required course, World Politics (POL101), will explore contemporary international relations and the dynamics of conflict. The second requirement, Marxist Economy (ECO 317) explains the different stages of capitalism and the turn to capitalism for countries that are historically non-capitalist.

Rather than prescribe a third course, the FLC student is free to choose one of six courses to familiarize students with issues facing "third world" nations. Courses for the fall include Introduction to Caribbean Experience (AFS 225), The African Revolution (AFS 239), Contemporary African Problems (AFS 335), Politics and Political Change in Latin America (HIS 382), Intellectual Background of Third World Revolutions (HIS 396), and Introduction to Middle Eastern Society (SOC 264).

The mandatory FLC seminar (FLC 301), is the fourth course, bridging together the other three, creating a "cohesive learning experience."

For the spring, planned courses include: Religion and War, Politics and Fiction, Global Environmental Issues, and FLC Seminar II, which rounds out the full program.

When asked about FLC Robert Dodd, Professor of Earth and Space Science said, "It's very positive...FLC provides an excellent opportunity for students to participate in a small college atmosphere while attending a large research university."

However, Dodd related that the program is for majors who can afford to "take alternate paths to make sense of academics and encourages breadth. This program is not for Pre-Med students.

History Professor Michael Barnhart, who taught United States Foreign Policy until 1917 several years ago as an FLC-affiliated course, said, "it was wonderful meeting faculty from other academic disciplines. Overall, the program fine tunes your education."

Moreover, Barnhart maintains that FLC draws two types of students, "those who are ambitious and love to learn, as well as students who are sinking for the third time."

According to Goldfarb, FLC's 1990-91 program, was canceled due to a variety of factors related to course scheduling, publicity and recruiting which resulted in a "very low enrollment." This semester, Goldfarb was appointed Acting Director, planning an innovative revised program and to conduct an aggressive recruiting effort for the next academic year.

As Goldfarb concluded, "to maintain FLC's distinctive character it is necessary to limit enrollment in the program." Likewise, if one should decide to join the FLC program, it will be to your advantage to do so as early as possible. To enroll, you must visit the FLC office, located in Old Chemistry and sign up before registering for courses.

Starting Over — Ronnie Diaz

Nothing seemed so dark anymore.
The days passed by with ease.
With an insatiable fever,
I longed to linger in this
intoxicating state.

Transparency was an image conjured up by mystical clouds of content.

Reality became a gentle kiss.

A gentle kiss was so desperately trying to become reality.

Something of this transcendental magnitude could never end. I convinced myself it would never end. God; I wish it wasn't so dark. tony Brook Statesman Monday, April 15, 1991 Page 7

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Supergroup virus lays out *The Law* — literally

By Scott Warmuth Statesman Contributing Writer

Rock stars have long suffered as hosts of a particularly debilitating form of virus, one that opens them up to an often crippling infection. This disease manifests itself when they try to form a supergroup.

In theory the supergroup is a good idea. Combining talented members from different or defunct bands into one unit seems like it would add up to greatness. But the nature of the virus insures that the opposite is the result, effectively disabling, with cold precision, most attempts to create a group that is truly "super."

When the virus was in it's infant stages it had a lesser effect. Cream, considered a supergroup because it's member came out of John Mayall's Bluesbreakers and the Graham Bond Organization, was lightly effected. The disease did grab a hold, though, and eventually took over Cream and made the band replicate into the musically weaker supergroup Blind Faith, and West, Bruce and Laing. After that the supergroup virus gained strength and was spread far and wide.

The most recent strain of the disease is more powerful than ever and is feeding, in a parasitic frenzy, on The Law from Atlantic Records. The Law is a supergroup that combines the talent of vocalist Paul Rodgers and drummer Kenney Jones. Rodgers, who sang with Free and Bad Company, is a known carrier because of his participation in the Firm, Jimmy Page's post Zeppelin

supergroup. Kenney Jones played some great stuff with the Small Faces (dig up a copy of their excellent Odgen's Nut Gone Flake LP) but is better know for his stint with the Who. Jones could have become infected a number of times, but was most certainly afflicted when he played with longtime virus carrier Eric Clapton during the 1983 ARMS tour.

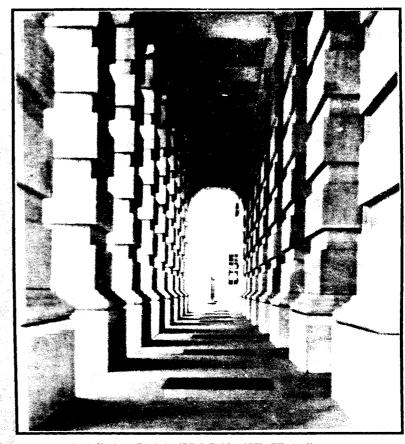
That the two even consider the Law a band, let alone a supergroup, is a joke. A band with only a drummer and a singer? Kenney Jones' presence is negligible. He stumbles in somnambulance through the entire album. Studio hacks were hired to play all the other instruments. There are cameos by Bryan Adams and Pink Floyd guitarist Dave Gilmour but they provide little interest. Eight of the eleven tunes were composed by outside writers so the actual input of the Law's members is very low. This is a virus controlled project all the way.

The first single, "Laying Down the Law," is a flaccid rewrite of the song "Bad Company." The lyrics are half baked doggerel with Rodgers as a character similar to Gary Cooper in "High Noon." These geezers think of themselves as heros of the old West (their logo is a sheriff's badge.) It's more pathetic than Jon Bon Jovi singing "I'm a cowboy."

As a testament to the strength of the supergroup virus this is an important piece of work. As music it is worthless dreck.

MY MIND'S EYE

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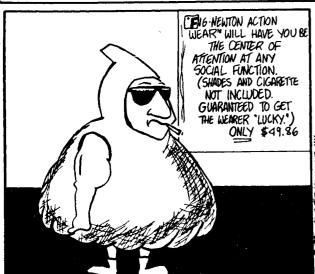
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To the Editor:

The Commuter Student Association will be sponsoring a "Voices that Care — Salute to the Troops Rally" to be held on Wednesday, April 17th, 12:40-2 p.m. at the Fine Arts Plaza. We expect hundreds of students and faculty/staff members to sing "Voices that Care" on the steps of the Plaza, as a tribute to our troops. This part of the rally will be video-taped and sent to the troops who are still serving in the Gulf.

The purpose of the rally is to honor our service men and women, with gratitude, for the courage they've shown throughout Operation Desert Storm. Whether one was anti-war or pro-war, all of us supported our troops while Operation Desert Storm was in progress and we will continue to support them as our troops return back home.

For a more effective way of welcoming our troops back home, C.S.A. would like to honor the service men and women who served in the Gulf, by having them present the day of the rally. However, it is extremely difficult to find out those who have returned home and those who are still serving in Saudi Arabia. Consequently, the Commuter Student Association is asking for everybody's assistance in contacting people you may know who have served in the Gulf and are presently back home. C.S.A. would like to invite those who have returned home to the ceremony on April 17th, as we honor them. If you are a student or faculty/staff members who may know if someone who served in the Gulf and is presently home, please call the Commuter College at 632-6455.

Michelle Pipia Coordinator of "Voices that Care"

Asian Discrimination Exists 45 Years After WW II

To the Editor:

This piece is a response to a young man that sat behind me on April 2, 1991, in HIS 370, Central Hall Rm. 100, 11:30 a.m.

That morning, as I was waiting for lecture to begin, I overheard him complain about a grade he'd received on his first term paper. As he continued to express further disdain for his grade, he began to utter words which made my ears jump up. You see, the T.A. which graded his paper was Asian. "Who the do these people think they are givin' me this kinda grade when he can't even speak our language," he said. Disgusted, with him for the comment and myself for not being able to stand up for my own heritage, I put my head down and swallowed my pride.

This isn't the first time I've heard something like this and it probably isn't the last. I hear something similar everyday of the week and my stomach aches. I had thought that I was callour to such remarks; I began to accept them as part of life, a stigma from being an Asian-American. I never realized just how deeply rooted the racism was until that point.

All too often, there are Americans who believe that "Asians are all alike." To them, our languages are all alike since "it's all jibberish anyhow," as well as our cultures, and backgrounds. On top of that, there are those Americans that refuse to differentiate between 3rd or 4th generation Asian-Americans and new 1st generation Asian-American immigrants. We have all become intertwined in their eeyes with some belief that we were all brought up in some exotic home, if not born in Asia. How often do Asian-Americans with Ph.D.'s or

M.D. degrees or other credentials of higher learning find that they are asked, "My, you speak good English; where did you learn to speak English?" Or "When did you come to this country?"

The problem is a strong, deeply rooted racism that serves as a support for legally established discriminations against Asian-Americans. From a Congressional Hearing on Asian-American Discrimination, I give you this tibit of American history:

During 1942, as a result of the anti-Oriental mindset of certain military and governmental officials, 120,000 persons of Japanese ancestry were forcibly removed from the west coast and incarcerated in desolate desert camps in clear violation of their human rights. No charges were ever filed against individuals that resulted in a conviction and sentence to such camps. Because such persons of Japanese ancestory were incarcerated during World War II, the financial losses to that group of people exceeded \$40,000,000.

Completely aside from the financial losses, the denial of the right ot peacefully assemble, the right of the people to keep and bare arms, the right to secure in their persons, papers and effects, the right to be charged by a presentment of indictment, the right not to be deprived of liberty or property without due process of law, the right to a speedy and public trial, the right to be confronted by witnesses against him, the right to have the assitance of counsel. the right to bail, and the right to be free from cruel or unusual punishment were all denied to persons of Japanese ancestory during World War II in the shameful and unwarranted evacuation and internment of all person of Japanese ancestory on the West Coast. The irony of this whole episode is that 3/4 of those evacuated and interned were United States citizens and 23,000 subsequently served in the United States Armed Forces with outstanding gallantry and heroism; also, some 8,000 of these Japanese-Americans served in the Pacific Theatre in operations against the nation of their ancestry.

United States Supreme Court decisions in cases Hirabayushi v. United States, 320 U.S. 115 (1943), and Yasui v. United States, 320 U.S. 115 (1943), ruled that imposition of military curfew orders against civilians was a proper exercise of war power, despite the fact that these military orders were applied against U.S. citizens on base of race and race alone. Further, the case of Korematsu v. United States, 323 U.S. 214 (1944) held that military orders were constitutional even though requiring removal of persons on the basis of race- by a 6 to 3 decision.

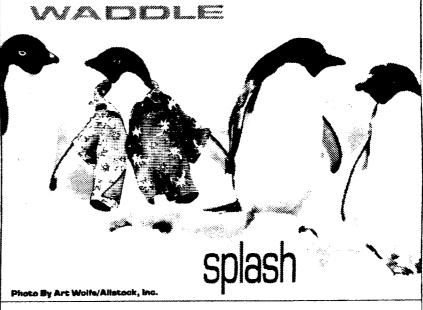
This is a small taste of laws passed against Asians. The Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882, the Oriental Exclusion Act of 1924 which included Japanese, and the Tydings-McDuffie Act of 1934 which included Filipinos are all examples of the lengths that Americans would reach to racially discriminate against Asian-Americans.

At any rate, the problem still persists. History has shown that the sentiments felt by some Americans towards Asian-Americans will not subside. However, maybe by showing some of the irrational actions of Americans and our government towards Asian-Americans, people will shed their ignorance and confront the problem intellectually, knowledgably, and rationally.

Richard Guillopo

Editor's Note -Guillopo is the former President of the Philippine American League and former Secretary of the Asian Students Association.

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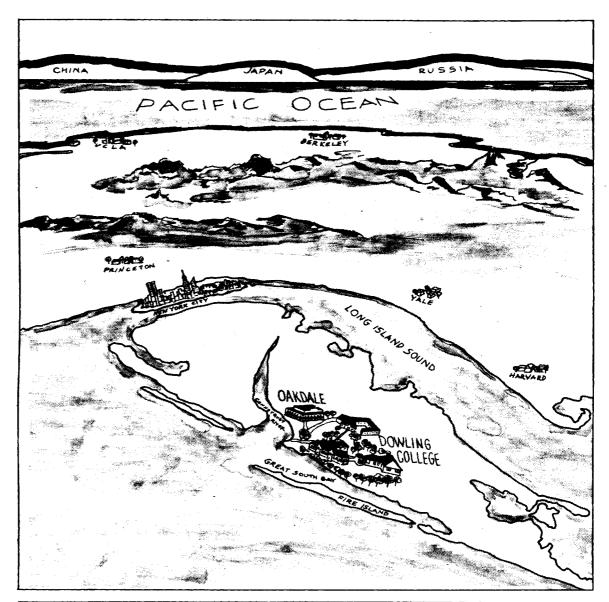
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USB Sports Update

BASEBALL - Patriots rack up 42 runs in doubleheader - The Patriots upped their record to 8-4 with a trouncing of Hunter 20-3 and 22-11 in both halves of a doubleheader. In the first game, sophomore outfielder Chris Carlson went 5-5 with a home run and three doubles. Drew McDowell got the win in the 20-3 landslide. In the second game, Scott Shermansky and Jared Janosky combined for a 7-11 day as the Pats romped 22-11. JP Maurin got the victory.

TENNIS - Pats ace Baruch for first win - The Patriots defeated Baruch College 7-2 for their first victory of the year. Ali Bukhari won the second seed in singles and Young Kwon took the fourth seed. Both Bukhari and Kwon won the #2 doubles.

BASKETBALL - Simmons Tourney won by Long Island Wheelchair Association - The Patriot basketball team was defeated by the Long Island Wheelchair Association 18-8 in the Connie Simmons Charity Wheelchair Tournament Saturday. The Pats took the loss sitting down - they played in wheelchairs, too. Four Pats chipped in two points each.

TRACK - Three runners capture awards - Wayne Mattadeen, Courtney O'Mealley and Anderson Vilien each received medals for the 100m, 400m and long jump events, respectively, at the PAC Championships in Kings Point on Saturday.

·On Friday and Saturday, the runners get back on track at the Monmouth Invitationals in New Jersey.

Should Athletes Get Special Treatment?

the right way," says John Reeves, head of the Athletic Department at the University. He believes that Stony Brook's treatment of its athletes fosters overall student integration.

The same academic expectations are imposed upon both the player and

the average collegian. This philosophy differs from those practiced at bigger name universities, where a premium is placed on the athlete's entertainment value, before it is set on his or her scholastic capabilities.

Most of the Patriot coaches concur that by disallowing student athletes special privileges, such as living together in the same building, they are allowing them the

privilege of "... broadening their horizons," as head football coach Sam Kornhauser says. "There are no housing divisions. Along with Residence Life, we keep that open by design. If we put them together, it takes away from the student's experience as an everyday student. This way, they have the opportunity to live with who they want.

Karim Wahib, a goaltender for the Patriots lacrosse team said, "We should be housed together. Because we're teammates we're all more compatible. We have the same practice times ... like when we all have to run at six in the morning, we can wake each other up.'

Mike Tahany, also of the lacrosse team feels that to house the athletes separately for the sake of integration is a "cop out." "Athletes should have reserved dorms. Everyday in class we are integrated. At least put us in the same

Special privileges extend beyond exclusive dormitories. Most athletes propose a plan that would enable them to park closer to the fields during their seasons. This request stems from problems over spring break in which commuting lacrosse players parked their cars on residential lots for three days while the team travelled to Buffalo. "Our cars were ticketed. Mine was towed away when we got back. And it was the only car in the lot," says midfielder Joe Cain. "We should get temporary stick-

HE STONY BROOK WAY is ers to be able to park near the gym, especially over breaks when no one else is on campus and we have mandatory practices and games."

Polity president Dan Slepian agrees that "athletes should get special parking rights during their training months." But some coaches contend that if athletes

> receive these parking considerations, a case can be made to grant similar considerations to other students who also serve the University. "I have a little trouble with that," softball head coach Judy Christ says. "I don't think the general population would go along with it."

Ken Alber, Director of Sports Information for Stony Brook, seconds Christ's argument. "Athletes are first and foremost part of the

student body and shouldn't be accorded special privileges such as parking, that other students don't receive."

Kornhauser recognizes the parking problem on campus but wishes that "... something could be looked at to alleviate the problems for student athletes."

As far as academics go, most athletes believe they should be given priority to register early to their classes. Aside from the football team, which encompasses about 100 students. all other team players undergo the same registration process. Robert O'Fee, an attackman for the Pats, says "We should be first because we have to schedule everything around practice hours.

John Espey, head coach of the Division I lacrosse team, does not believe in any preferential treatments. "I think if an athlete misses a class, he should talk to the professor to make it up or reschedule a test . . . but we try not to do that too often." At Stony Brook, most professors are willing to administer make-ups, under extenuating circumstances, such as road trips. Anderson Vilien of the men's track team complains that he was not given this consideration for one of his classes. "I missed a Geology quiz last week when we went away to Virginia and the professor didn't give me a make-up."

Evidently, the values upheld at Stony Brook contradict the ones held by $most \, ath letically \hbox{-renowned institutions}.$

The news, in recent years, involving Division I college players have dealt with NCAA violations in which the system has exploited the athlete and vice-versa. For example, Dexter Manley of Oklahoma State admitted to being illiterate throughout college, but was never barred from playing a game despite his impediment.

"We're a Division III institution," Sandra Weeden, director of women's athletics for Stony Brook says. "Institutions that participate in Division III consist of student athletes. They are students first. We don't present them with dorm trappings and things like

Unlike such schools as Notre Dame and UNLV, Stony Brook does not pull in tremendous revenues from games. This makes it harder to financially bolster the athletic department. "Schools that go to the Rose Bowl earn an extra three to four million for their athletic departments," Kornhauser says. "We don't have that opportunity."

All Patriot teams rely mainly on the funds allocated by Polity. This is \$24.00 per person in the Student Activity Fee. Reeves and Slepian believe that an increase in referendum will go into effect if and when the University goes Division I in all sports.

Stony Brook fields both Division I and Division III teams. Regardless of divisional status, most athletes who perform under the Patriot banner feel that they are being overlooked. Joe Doolan of the baseball team says, "The amount of time put in sports goes unrecognized. We make a lot of sacrifices keep up our grades and play — it's a shame that many people don't take that under consideration."

The athletes' biggest argument for seeking at least minimal privileges is to be acknowledged by their University and their peers, for whom they play. Mike Benedetto, an inside linebacker for the football Patriots says, "We're putting something into the University and trying to make a name."

"We put in a lot more time than others for the school," Tahany says. "We go on the road in jackets and ties. People see we're a first class organization and that we're serious . . . We exemplify what the University stands for... We're not asking to be pampered, just recognized for what we do."



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Massacre at Hartford: Pats trounce Hawks, 26-6

By Dave Fallace Statesman Sports Writer

The ominous clouds over Hartford, Connecticut did not cloud the spirit of the Stony Brook lacrosse team Saturday. The Patriots destroyed the Hawks 26-6, improving the team's record to 7-1 on the year.

Sixteen different players figured in the Patriots scoring.

Attackman Jeff Agostino led the team with five goals and two assists.

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Other scorers included Dave Fallace with four goals and one assist, Terence Vetter with a goal and an assist, Bob O'Fee with a goal and two assists, Joel Insinga with a goal and an assist, and Wes Merritt and Chris Chamberlain had two and one goals, respectively.

"I'm seeing a definite improvement in the attack," said coach John Espey. "Especially in their aggressiveness."

The aggressive riding of the attack unit is paying dividends in goals. And the rotation Espey incorporated into the game plan has proven to be quite effective.

Kevin Dalland led midfielders with two goals and one assist, and Travis Caissie chipped in three goals. Other midfielders with points were: John Schafer and Lou Ventura with one goal and an assist apiece; Paul Leva, Todd Caissie and Ed Havel with one goal apiece; Mike Curatolo with one goal and two assists; Rob Walker with two assists; and Rob Howell with one assist.

Espey is very pleased with his midfield. "They are the strongest part of the team and they have above average speed," he said. Espey was most pleased with his



Jeff Agostino (2), runs upfield in a Patriot win.

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midfielders' ability to learn through experience. "They are making the right looks and taking advantage of the given opportunities. The gained composure and experience gives the team a lot more direction."

At the defensive end of the field, the team was led by co-captains Rob Serratore and Steve McCabe. The less glorious job of the defenseman and goalie must be done through plain, hard work. "We are starting

to get a lot of competition among our players, in every position, which is pushing our program far beyond expectations," said Serratore.

Next weekend, the Patriots will meet up against two nationally top-ranked teams, Number 17-ranked Duke and number 1ranked, undefeated North Carolina. These contests will prove to be big tests for the young Patriot team.

On the upcoming games, Espey commented, "We're like the '69 Mets used to say, 'you've gotta believe.' Sports wouldn't be as exciting if upsets never happened."

So the season seems to have been building up to something. This "something" is a chance for Stony Brook to be nationally recognized. As Dalland said, "We are improving each game."

Mastery on the mound — Lady Pats shutout SI, 29-0

By John Carden
Statesman Softball Writer

The Lady Patriot mastery of softball continued Saturday as they ravaged Staten Island by a combined score of 29-0 in a doubleheader. The Pats allowed *two* hits on the day.

"It's raining hits here! " said head coach Judy Christ during the second game. Joan Gandolph and Traci Racioppi both

pitched one-hitters in the Lady Pats' 10-0 and 19-0 shutouts

SOFTBALL

over the Lady Dolphins.

Staten Island came out of the dugout in the first inning looking to give the Patriots a contest. Carrie Marini of Staten Island started with the first hit of the game. Marini's bunt put her on first, then next batter, Dina Silvestri, made it to first base on an error. With runners on first and second, it seemed as though the Lady Pats might be in for a long game. Not so. Gandolph kept the next three batters off base, leaving Staten Island scoreless. However, Lady Dolphin pitcher Erin Donahue repeated Gandolph's pitching performance and as a result the score re-

mained 0-0 at the end of the first inning.

Gandolph pitched an easy three outs in the second inning. When Stony Brook came to bat, junior Cathy Dimaio, with bases loaded, hit a sacrifice fly to centerfield to bring sophomore Jo-Anne Greggo in from third to score the Pats' first run. Senior Teri Manno then got a base hit to bring sophomore Beth Matich across home plate to increase the Lady Pats' lead to 2-0 at the end of the second inning.

The Lady Dolphins were unable to score in the first game. Gandolph had two RBIs and two hits while Manno went 4 for 4 with two RBIs and three runs to help the Lady Pats put eight more on the scoreboard, ending the game in just five innings with a 10-0 shutout.

The second game was a farce. Staten Island played extremely sloppy. Frustrating them even more was Racioppi. The Lady Dolphins hit her only once in the first inning and for the remainder of the game the Lady Pats turned an easy three up and three down. Also, the Lady Pats took time, four innings worth, of what seemed to be batting practice against new pitcher Marini.



Kerry Diggin (18), hits away.

Statesman/Christopher Reid

Lady Patriot Heidi Epstein went 4 for 4 with two RBIs and three runs to help stomp the Lady Dolphins once again in five innings, only this time the score was 19-0.

Christ and her Lady Pats increased

their record to seven wins and one loss ir the doubleheader sweep against Staten Island. They will attempt to improve this record when they host Southampton Monday, April 15 at 4 pm.