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The Seawolves defeated Villanova 20-10 on Saturday. They will travel to Montana State for the second round of the playoffs, which will take place on Saturday, Dec. 1.

SBU proposes new gen-ed requirements

By Nina Lin
Assistant Photo Editor

As its period for reaccreditation draws near, Stony Brook University has decided to give its general educational requirements a face-lift.

Still known as the Diversified Education Curriculum, the proposed required core classes address nine different concentrations, from English comprehension to mathematics and natural sciences.

The new proposal was formed in the spring of 2009, and a new committee was started to review the current DEC system. Headed by former Provost Eric Kaler and Chair of the Undergraduate Council Scott Sutherland, the University Committee on General Education submitted a 38-page final report last August detailing the new system. At a University Senate meeting, Sutherland estimated the new system will start by spring of 2014.

Coincidentally, that is when the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, the university's evaluation body, will visit for the school's reaccreditation process.

According to Stony Brook's website, MSCHE reviews the university's progress every seven to 10 years and holds all colleges to 14 standards – one of which requires a curriculum in general education that teaches students “college-level proficiency in...oral and written communication, scientific and quantitative reasoning, critical analysis and reasoning and

technological competency.”

Taking just three years to complete such a big proposal is a good reason to question the necessity of the change. But according to Sutherland, the reaccreditation played only a minor role in their decision making process.

The current system had been long due for review, he said, and it had been the former provost who pushed for the reevaluation after the current DEC system was shown to be confusing and rigid for both students and faculty.

“There is certainly some relationship to Middle States and I would say there is some motivation to be able to document for them, that we are thinking about general education and doing things the body wants us to do. And pushing it through in three or four years makes it sound like we're just doing something to do something and do it fast. But you can look at it another way,” Sutherland said. “[The Committee on Gen-Ed] have spent huge portions of their time the last three, four years [on the proposal]. It isn't like we just talk about it and don't do anything for two weeks.”

“A lot of people have been spending many, many hours doing this for many weeks,” he said. “A lot of people have been working hard to make it work.”

Under the new DEC system, students will still be required to pick classes from a broad range of studies. But whereas the old system had studies from 11 distinct areas, the

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Sandy disrupts college schedules on Long Island

By Sarah Elssesser
Staff Writer

Even after Hurricane Sandy has come and gone, people across Long Island and the surrounding states are still feeling the repercussions of the disastrous Category 1 hurricane. Physical damage is slowly and steadily being cleaned up and lives are starting to return to normal, especially for those at Stony Brook University.

As students, staff and faculty know, Hurricane Sandy forced the university to close and led to the cancellation of classes and school-related activities for a week due to safety precautions. However, four weeks after the hurricane, Stony Brook is still trying to get back in the swing of things and figure out what to do next.

“Our number one plan is to just go ahead and move forward,” Dr. Charles Robbins, vice provost for undergraduate education and dean of the undergraduate colleges, said. “We have a high degree of comfort that the waiver will be granted because the university was

closed and it was both a federal and state declared disaster.”

The state waiver that the university put in for will allow the week of classes that was missed to be legally dismissed from the academic calendar, meaning that those contact hours, hours required to be in class by state, will not have to be made up.

Stony Brook made the decision to ask for the waiver due to the lack of time left in the academic calendar.

“It is up to each university,” Robbins said. “And, when we looked at the academic calendar and what was left between the semester ending very soon, finals running through the 19, and commencement on Dec. 21, our staff felt that there really wasn't enough available time to make up the hours.”

While Stony Brook asked for the state waiver, other schools surrounding the university decided on different approach to make up the missed days.

“They extended the semester

by a week, but it was not really an extension,” Sara Smith, a double major in business administration and political science and freshman at St. Joseph's College, said. “Instead of having a finals week, they made it a regular school week and asked the finals to be given in a class session (an hour and twenty five minutes) as opposed to a two hour final. Finals week was supposed to be the 12-18 but now classes are until the 21.”

Hofstra University, Suffolk Community College, and Adelphi University are all extending their semesters.

“Most classes have been affected by the storm in regards to cutting out information that should have been in the curriculum,” Elizabeth Sarian, a sophomore elementary education major and music minor at Hofstra, said. “For my English class, we cut out one book almost entirely, and lost the opportunity of another test, which was cancelled. I would have liked the test because it would have been an extra grade to average in.



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Hurricane Sandy knocked down multiple trees on Stony Brook University's campus last month.

So, I think it was a good decision. We need those extra days to cover more information and for review.”

Students across Stony Brook campus are also in agreement with the university about its decision.

“I think it is a good decision,” Chris Kasubinsky, a sophomore computer science major, said. “I

don't think it could be extended with the holidays and finals.”

As of now, the university has asked faculty to focus on the material that is required and most important for the students to learn. This way, they can cover the necessary information adequately in the remaining time.

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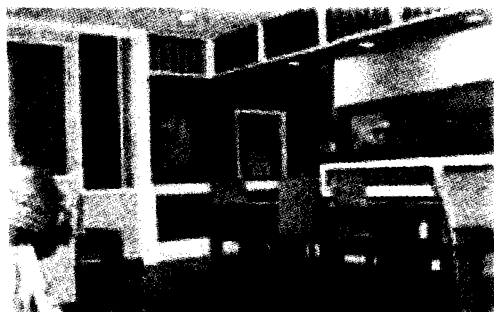
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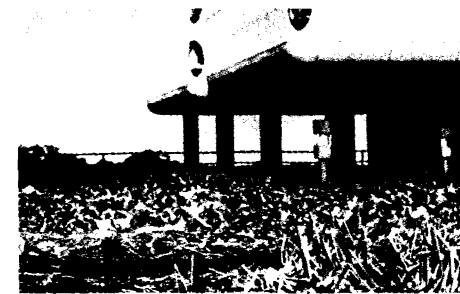
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Stony Brook is a nominee in a number of categories within the 2013 Best of Long Island contest, including "Best LI College or University" and "Best College Sports Program." **PAGE 6**

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The Seawolves defeated Villanova's Wildcats 20-10 on Saturday to advance to the second round of the FCS playoffs, in which they will face second-ranked Montana State. **PAGE 16**



UConn's 3 point barrage buries SBU 73-62

The #21 UConn Huskies defeated the Seawolves 73-62, but Stony Brook put forth a valiant effort, managing to maintain a lead at halftime. The weekend's split-game series wasn't a complete loss, however; Stony Brook managed to defeat its other opponent, Canisius, 82-75. **PAGE 16**

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NEWS

International student enrollment rising at SBU

By Katherine Kurre
Contributing Writer

The United States has long been a popular destination for foreigners to flock to, whether it was for permanent residence or just to see the sights and visit. It's now popular for another reason: education.

Over the years, the amount of students traveling to the U.S. for higher education has been steadily increasing. According to "Open Doors 2012: International Enrollment Increased by 6 Percent," a press release given by the Institute of International Education (IIE,) the amount of international students in U.S. schools has increased every year for the past few years.

The Open Doors report for the 2011 – 2012 school year stated that 764,495 international students are enrolled in U.S. higher education (i.e. colleges and universities). This is a six percent increase from the previous academic year. It is also a record high for international students in U.S. colleges and universities.

The term "international student" is rapidly starting to apply to U.S. students as well. More and more U.S. students are flocking to other countries in study abroad programs. U.S. students saw a one percent increase in study abroad participation compared to the previous year. There were 273,996 U.S. students studying overseas in the 2010 – 2011 school year—another record high.

Stony Brook is no exception to these trends. According to official enrollment statistics released by the university, in the fall of 2010, there were 2,986 international students from 111 countries. Two years later, in the fall of 2012, there are 3,611 international students from 110 countries. Professor William E. Arens, Dean of International Academic Programs said that there used to be 80 students coming in versus 1,000 now.

Stony Brook's international

students fall into several categories. There are international students who are actually enrolled as Stony Brook students, international students on study abroad programs, and international students in international exchange programs. An international exchange program differs from study abroad in that in an exchange program, a U.S. student will go overseas and an international student will take his or her place. In a study abroad program, a student just travels overseas for a certain duration of time without displacing another student. If an international student wants to stay for multiple years and be a part of Stony Brook, he or she must go through the Admissions department, Professor Arens said.

Professor Arens claimed that Stony Brook has such a large demographic of international students because students overseas know Stony Brook has strong academic programs. "They come here because Stony Brook University has a stronger reputation in Asia than in Queens [New York]," Professor Arens said.

SBU indeed has a strong reputation internationally. Stony Brook is part of the AAU, the Association of American Universities. This list comprises sixty U.S. and two Canadian schools that are leading research institutions. According to the AAU website, the AAU was founded in 1900 to help advance the standing of American research schools internationally.

Hao Long Ning, an international student, is a graduate student in his fifth year at Stony Brook who is studying for a master's degree in computer science. He said that he came to Stony Brook because SBU has a good reputation and good computer and math programs. "They have top programs," he claimed.

Changchup Sherpa, a sophomore with a major in political science, is Tibetan; however, she was born and raised



The International Student Office is located on the fifth floor of the Melville library.

in Nepal. She came to Stony Brook in fall 2011 as a freshman. "The reason I came here was because to attain a good education, but not just the education. It's also the global experience, and about learning from that experience," she said.

Sherpa says that her cousin went here and that her parents wanted her to apply here as well. "I'm glad that I decided to take the risk and go for college miles away from home. It's definitely been an awesome learning experience so far," Sherpa said.

In 2012, the countries that sent the most students to the U.S. were China, India, the Republic of Korea and Taiwan. They respectively sent 1,592, 476, 627 and 102 students to Stony Brook each year. These numbers are a total of undergraduates and graduates on F1 and J1 visas.

According to the Profile of Stony Brook Students, Fall 2012, international students make up eleven percent of undergraduates and twenty-six percent of graduate students. In total, international

students made up sixteen percent of SBU students.

The International Student Organization (ISO) works to help assimilate these students into American society. President Audrey See Tho said that part of their mission is to promote diversity on campus.

ISO runs a program that pairs up international students and American students for a semester. These students meet once a week to get to know one another and learn about other languages and cultures. "The students meet up for anything at all and meet up anywhere—off campus, the library. They are encouraged to talk and get to know each other," See Tho said.

Tho hopes that the program will expand. At the moment, they approach students in four different honor societies, NRHH and NICS being two of them, to participate in the program as well as recruit other students at the beginning of the semester.

Tho herself transferred here from Malaysia. She is in her third

semester at Stony Brook and is a psychology major.

Stony Brook is also on par with the national numbers of students going abroad to study.

Professor Arens said that the office of Study Abroad and International Exchange programs send about 500 – 600 students overseas each year. This number has been increasing over the years. "Every year we see an increase. Eight years ago, 120 students went abroad, now around 600 go," said Professor Arens.

Professor Arens also encourages students to go overseas for their studies. He said that it was a major benefit when applying for jobs since more companies and organizations are looking for international experience. Professor Arens also claims that certain classes, such as architecture, can be taken in other countries while they can't be taken at SBU. In addition, he suggests that students travel in their second year since that time would be least likely to interfere with required classes for one's major.

General-education requirements

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proposed system draws from nine. However, there is also an additional focus on speaking, writing, research, ethics and "experiential learning", the use of school-taught knowledge for practical purposes.

While both systems resulted in about the same amount of requirements, one major difference the new system proposes is the use of a new certification system.

Some classes may fill the requirements of two areas, while "clusters" – multiple courses grouped under one common objective – serve to fill many at a time. This, the report claims, allows students to finish their requirements faster than they currently can and allows more time for students to develop interests

outside of their chosen fields.

"This idea can be viewed as just taking the current DEC system and calling it the 'new gen-ed', but that's not it," said Sutherland. "The new system is an extension of the DEC, it takes the ideas of the DEC away from the courses and uses a different implementation of it."

Students stuck between the transitions will not find it hard to reassign classes to their newly designated requirements. Best of all, said Sutherland, students will be able to get credit for internships and other academic extracurricular activities under the experiential learning requirement.

Still, there are some issues to be worked through before the proposal goes live. One notable issue was the missing Technology and Society

requirement, or where "DEC H" was supposed to fit into the new system. Another was the minimum grade required for passing future DEC courses. Currently, students only require a D to pass their general educational requirements.

Eugene Hammond, director of the writing program and a university senator and committee member, had proposed a C or S grade requirement for all courses in September.

This prompted remarks from some senators in their November meeting on how arbitrary some grading methods are. However, suggestions for an overall 2.0 GPA might send the wrong message to students, said Sutherland in his presentation to the senate. These issues, amongst others, will need resolution before the proposal is voted on next Monday.



The University Senate discussed modifying the general education requirements of undergraduate students.

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Sandy affects schedules

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"I think the teachers are really trying to make up the time as best as they can," Sandy Ren, a sophomore psychology major, said. "I feel that they are pushing all the work, missed and to come, together."

There have been mixed reactions among students when it comes to the amount of work they are getting as a result of missing classes.

"I don't think I am getting more work," Stephanie Chow, a junior biology major, said. "I was originally supposed to have more work, but it got moved back. So personally I am in a better position."

While Chow might feel like she is getting a hiatus from all the work, others are feeling the complete opposite.

"It has been awful," Aaron Conway, a senior biology major, said. "I am making up for the stress with alertness pills. I think a lot of students are resorting to

prescription pills to study and get all their work done."

While some maybe feeling the pressure of make-up work, midterms, and upcoming finals, students agree with the university in that there wasn't much they could do.

"The decision to cancel was really need base upon concern about the safety of the students, faculty, and staff," Robbins said. "It just wasn't safe for people who weren't on campus to get to campus those days because of the conditions on the road and the lack of mass transit."

When it comes to the effects of this storm on the academics, Robbins said, "We are convinced that the educational content, the educational experience that students are receiving is not in any way compromised."

So, while Hurricane Sandy might be over and done with, students, faculty, and staff will continue to deal with the repercussions of it as they brace for a new storm: finals.

University Senate debates technological studies as part of new gen-ed requirements

By Nina Lin
Assistant Photo Editor

There's only one week left until the new general education proposal is passed, but questions still remain as to the role of technological studies in the proposed system.

Under the new changes, students choose classes from nine disciplines—English (WRT), Math (QPS), Language (LANG), Humanities (HCA), Natural Sciences (SNW), Sociology (HBS), Fine and Performing Arts (ARTS), History of the United States (USA) and Global Studies (GLO). Missing from the list is Technological Studies (TECH), a field currently covered as "DEC H".

The new DEC system isn't slated to affect Stony Brook University students until the spring of 2014. But for the university, there is little time to decide on whether or not TECH should be a tenth requirement or left out of the curriculum before the entire proposal is voted on next Monday.

A university senate meeting held on Nov. 5 gave other senators an idea of the issues surrounding the TECH add-on. While some had reservations about teaching what they don't know, others wanted to know what kind of technological issues should be taught and nearly all disagreed with how it should fit into the new system.

The new, emerging generations are the technological generations, said one senator. How can professors teach something they may know less than their students about?

"One of the deficiencies is

that there aren't enough contacts between departments," said Lester Paldy, a professor and university senator for the Department of Technology and Society. Pulling guest speakers from other departments is one good way to shoehorn the technological requirement into the new system, while keeping professors informed and abreast of technological trends in their field of expertise.

But even with that, it's hard to reach a consensus. "It's much more complicated to define technological literacy," said Scott Sutherland, the undergraduate council chair and an associate professor at Stony Brook University. "It's not common in other universities. Some has it, but their requirement is 'take one course out of all of these', similar to our current DEC system. That's not what we're looking for."

The TECH discussion was added on recently to the overall proposal, said Sutherland, and it was the difficulty in defining the term that caused the discussion and disagreements to flourish. "So far I have not heard a collection that everyone agrees with," he said. "If you ask an engineer, you get a different answer from a music professor. But when you ask a physicist, you get yet a different answer."

"It's easy to say that we'll put in a tenth requirement," said Sutherland, "but there are ramifications."

Still, Paldy had a different proposal.

"Technological issues should be embedded in all courses," said

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No completion date for Kelly Dining renovation

By Rolyne Joseph
Contributing Writer

The Stony Brook Faculty Student Association (FSA) has decided to renovate and modernize the Kelly Dining Center in a way that will improve and expand the largest residential dining center at Stony Brook University.

"The Kelly Café Building will be an 8,000 square feet grade level building, with an additional 3,000 square feet basement," said Angela Agnello, director of marketing and communications at the Stony Brook University Faculty Student Association.

The Kelly Dining Center was last renovated in 2000, and in 2004, the university decided to include Kelly Coffee and the Tea House.

The renovation of Kelly Dining will cost approximately \$23 million. The anticipated cost includes the site assessment, architectural and engineering services, composition and supplies, according to the Stony Brook Faculty Association's website.

The meal plan revenues through the FSA are funding the Kelly Dining Center renovation. The university will donate and provide funding for foundation replacement affiliated with the restoration.

"The Kelly Dining Center will be a better place to eat," said Katuska Pulgar, a junior biochemistry major. "The new place will be warm and it will welcome people to come and eat."

Study Collaborate Design is helping the university expand and rejuvenate the Kelly Dining Center. The new Kelly Dining Center will provide students with more food stores.

The company has organized a completion of two phases on the residential dining center.

Phase one is the West Side Dining. The dinner will include a Corner Café, Bob's BBQ, International Market, Kelly Deli and an eastern cuisine restaurant.

Students will be able to hang out with friends, chat and enjoy beverages, according to the Stony Brook Faculty Student Association's website.

The second phase will include salad entrees, pizza and paninis and a convenience store.

FSA and an independent design consultant gathered surveys and conducted a focus group on residential dining.

"In many instances, student

"The Kelly Dining Center will be a better place to eat... it will welcome people to come and eat."

-Katuska Pulgar
Junior, Biochemistry major

input from this group helped Campus Dining to adjust menu options to fit the needs and wants of students," said Agnello.

In 2008, Dining Services Resolutions student members and design team analyzed and examined renovated dining halls at public northeastern campuses including University of Rhode Island and University of Massachusetts at Amherst, according to the Stony Brook

Faculty Student Association's website.

The concept draft was presented to the full membership of the Dining Services Resolutions Committee.

In 2009, the FSA decided to start to the architectural planning process. Students gave their honest feedback and comments on Kelly Dining renovation.

"Students will have more variety of places to choose from," said Akshay Rajann, a sophomore economics major. "There will be more dining halls and more places to eat."

Students' feedback had an impact on the project. The members of the Dining Services Resolutions Committee decided to approve the project.

Students' recommendations and feedback gave the Dining Services Resolution Committee an ideal view on the Campus Dining.

Among the members that agreed with the project are students, faculty members, members of the Campus Dining Services, and representatives from the FSA.

The Kelly Dining is currently working on the West Side Dining plan. The trash compactor, the roof, phase one walk-in refrigerators and freezer are a few assignments that have been completed.

The residential dining center will have a few changes for vegetarians consisting of additional entrée choices and sides and price reductions, according to the Stony Brook Faculty Student Association's website.

The association will receive a construction schedule from the contractor in December. New Side Dining is expected to complete by spring of 2013.

The expected date for completion of the Kelly Dining Center is not yet confirmed.



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The renovation of Kelly Dining Center, which began last year will cost the school \$23 million.

Hospital patients benefit from School of Medicine's rooftop crops

By Raysa Rodriguez
Contributing Writer

There's no better way to eat a bowl of hot vegetable soup during this cold season than having one made in your own kitchen with fresh vegetables picked up from your own farm. Stony Brook hospital patients feel at home every time they are served a bowl of hot vegetable soup from Stony Brook hospital's farm.

Stony Brook University Medicine had its own farm running since early July 2011. When the hospital broke ground with the farm, it was a 20 by 40 (800 sq ft) plot. This year, however, the farm was expanded to 2,200 square feet to keep up with increased demand.

The hospital has over 500 patients, all of whom get a little share of the farm's fresh vegetables. This year the hospital harvested more than 550 pounds of vegetables, which included more than 30 varieties of vegetables and herbs. Everything produced is harvested and put in trays that are taken right into the hospital's kitchen.

The farm is funded by a grant from the NYSDOH, or the New York State Department of Health. Dr. Josephine Connolly-Schoonen, the executive director of the nutrition division at the hospital, says the farm is a "large project." Connolly-Schoonen is a faculty member in the School of Medicine, teaching nutrition. She keeps the crops free of pesticides and diseases, ensuring the vegetables are healthy and safe for dinner.

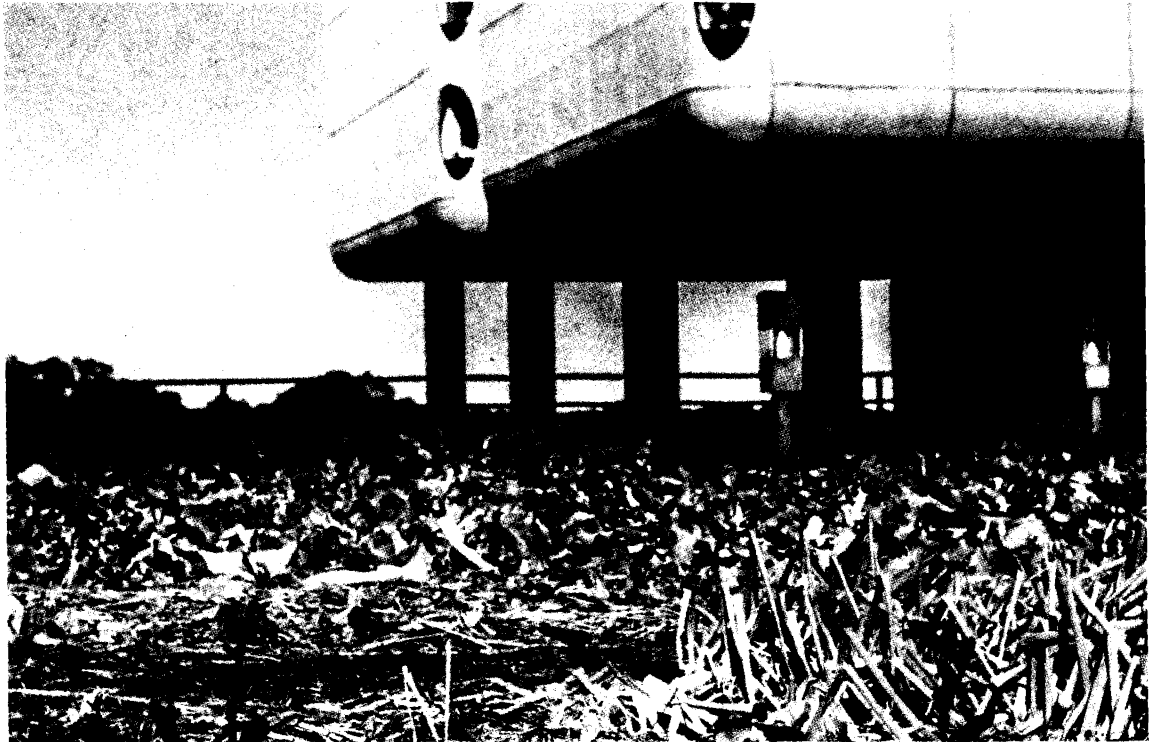
Connolly-Schoonen states that

"there are NO pesticides; everything is produced using organic methods, even the seedlings." The community gardens coordinator and manager of the rooftop farm, Iman Marghoob, also added that "Although we are not a certified organic farm, we use sustainable farming practices; composting, crop rotation; no use of synthetic herbicide or pesticides; we do not use GMO seeds," which makes the farm an even healthier and more trustworthy place to eat from.

It is said that carrots are sweeter during the winter, and Marghoob found that out firsthand. "Most recently, I sampled a carrot still growing in the cold weather. Carrots are sweeter in the cold weather, and I found that to be true." He also stated that he and his students sample the vegetables. "I feel it is important for me and the student volunteers to taste what they grow," he added.

Although Hurricane Sandy caused a lot of destruction on Long Island, the farm was not affected by the hurricane at all—the kale, Swiss chard and lettuce crops that had been growing were unharmed. Marghoob said that "fortunately, we took precautions prior to Sandy by removing any tall structures, such as the arbors we had erected, so there was little or no harm done to the farm." The University hospital will harvest one last crop soon and the farm will remain dormant over the winter.

The University hospital has created a successful farming system with volunteer labor. "This past



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The School of Medicine grows produce on a farm on top of the Health Sciences building.

summer we had five interns, two were on a paid internship, one worked for credits, one volunteered, and one did it for zero credit. During the fall, however, all the students volunteered. "I have had one very reliable student, Michael Geddes, who started over the summer, and has never left," Marghoob said. This would be a great way to add this volunteer work to the students curriculum and make the become part of this large project, too. Two professors, both with sustainability studies, have also involved their students in the farm, requiring a certain number of hours per semester.

Volunteer work has been a really successful way to keep the farm going since it started back in July 2011, but Connolly-Schoonen said that it is going into its second phase—a marketing and promotional plan for the hospital patients. The only concerns with the farm, stated by Marghoob, are regarding the financial sustainability of the farm, as the NYSDOH grant will conclude in March 2014.

Where will Stony Brook University Hospital take the farm? It is a big project that has been going on for slightly over a year. Connolly-Schoonen said that "Our goal is to use the farm as a platform to

change people's perceptions about vegetables and to impress upon them the profound impact vegetables will have on the healing process and on delaying the progression of chronic illnesses." Marghoob also said that he has plans for the farm's location and expansion, "We are unsure of the future location of the farm. We still hope to grow in the greenhouse in Life Sciences building, and to expand growing space and also involve more student participation."

The farm is garnering public attention; it was written about in the "The New York Times" last October and it even has its own Facebook Page.

SBU student founds Project Sunshine chapter on campus

By Emily Heller
Assistant Arts and Entertainment Editor

Most seniors at Stony Brook have one thing on their minds: getting their final semesters and projects over with so they can show off the cap and gown they have worked four years to wear. But while his second to last semester comes to a close, Mohammed Naeem, a senior health science major, has only one main project on his mind: Project Sunshine.

According to Naeem, Project Sunshine is a nonprofit organization offering social,

educational and recreational programs to sick children that are stuck in a hospital environment. The Project Sunshine website states that these activities can range from arts and crafts to reading books to the children, or even providing the parents with a spa day. According to the website, Project Sunshine helps children in 150 cities in the United States, as well as in Puerto Rico, Israel, Kenya, China and Canada.

Naeem is the founder of the Project Sunshine Chapter at Stony Brook and stumbled upon the organization in a unique

way. "In the fall of my junior year, I had a gap on my Tuesday schedule," he explained. "I tried to look for a class and eventually found one called CAR 210, which is a career builder class. We had a list of 20 books and had to choose one of them," Naeem said.

He chose a book titled "One Person/ Multiple Careers," written by Marci Alboher. Inside the book, Joseph Weilgus, the founder of Project Sunshine was mentioned. "I googled it and found out it's a non-for profit that helps children and their families that face medical challenges," Naeem said.

Naeem contacted Project Sunshine's head offices and discovered there was no active chapter of Project Sunshine at Stony Brook. After giving it some thought, he decided to change that and, in the spring of 2012, he started operations. "There was such a need for quality programming," Naeem said.

The Project Sunshine chapter is the first organization on campus that links both the undergraduate west campus and the medical east campus together. "Between the undergraduate body and the medical sides of our campus. I felt that if you have a quality program, that it will promote outreach and communication building," he



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Project Sunshine helps sick children deal with their illnesses.

explained.

Being a part of the medical programs on campus, Naeem said that sometimes it is hard for students to remember why they chose that field.

"We are so tuned to that next exam, or getting that next A. You lose sight of the fact as to why you do it," he explained. "In regards to Project Sunshine, it helps you realize why you do

what you do. It's really for the patients."

Here at Stony Brook, the Project Sunshine Chapter works hand in hand with the Stony Brook Children's Hospital. Every Wednesday at the hospital, the chapter holds 'Project Sunshine Day' for the

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Mohammed Naeem founded Project Sunshine at SBU.

Project Sunshine helps children

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sick children. On Thursdays, Project Sunshine provides the parents with a knitting support group. According to Naeem, the volunteers learn how to knit and then teach the parents. Project Sunshine also hosts events at Stony Brook Children's Hospital called 'Sending Sunshine Events.' Volunteers work together on these days to create items for the kids.

"We make items, like craft kits, friendship bracelets, surgi dolls; which are dolls for kids to play with so they can see what kind of surgery they're getting and personalized cards for kids," Naeem explained. "We take those items and send them to children all over the country."

Naeem explained that in a hospital environment, children are left with little choice. "It is absolutely imperative to give the child choice. We ask them, 'What do you want to do?' It can range from carving a pumpkin with an 8-year-old to playing video games with a 17-year-old.

His most memorable experience on the job dates back to only four weeks ago, when he got a call from Mt. Sinai Hospital, located in New York City. "There are four chapters in New York City...but they called our chapter in Stony Brook, 70 miles away," Naeem explained.

The hospital asked the Stony Brook Project Sunshine chapter to do one of their special programs, 'Star for a Day,' for a 17-year-old boy.

"The program is geared entirely to the likes of that child; what that child likes to eat, what that child likes to do, it's to make them feel special," He said. Naeem smiled when he recalled the day. "It was an absolutely phenomenal experience," he said.

The chapter spent a few hours with the boy, showering him gifts of all his favorite things. "I still get the chills when I think about that day because of how brave he was," he said.

"What we found out was that he was waiting on the heart transplant list. Every second that he was alive, he was essentially dying. And to see that he was smiling more than I have smiled in a month, it made me realize how effective what we do at Project Sunshine really is," Naeem said.

Along with Naeem, there are five board members that dedicate their time to making Project Sunshine the best it can be. The faculty supervisor, Catherine Marrone, is in her second year as supervisor and is proud of the progress the program has made. "I have been amazed not only at how much he and his organization have done but how

many connections they have made to individuals outside the campus through their work and outreach," she explained. "I can take no credit for the incredible success of this organization--it all goes to Mohammed, who just works tirelessly and passionately and somehow-- with endless joy and optimism--he is a treasure to this university and I think, well beyond."

As for Naeem's future, he will be graduating in May and will take a few years off. "I want to do things besides medicine, I want to work with maybe impoverished kids in inner city communities, I want to do something besides the nuts and bolts of science," he said.

He said he wants to get a job, perhaps for another non-profit organization, and begin a Project Sunshine Chapter in his hometown of Flushing in Queens, N.Y.

After Naeem leaves Stony Brook, the organization will continue to help children with medical disadvantages. "I think Project Sunshine will remain one of the best organizations on this campus. if not, the best most well-rounded program." He explained.

Project Sunshine has 18 members currently and Naeem plans for it to increase beyond 20. "The future is looking really sunny," He said, laughing.

Police Blotter

A female employee at the University Hospital was arrested for stealing another female employee's cell phone on Tuesday, Nov. 13.

A student was arrested for stabbing another student in the abdomen around 2 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 17.

An intoxicated 18-year-old male student was transported to the hospital for alcohol poisoning on Saturday, Nov 17. Two referrals were issued for the incident.

Two male students were arrested at Keller College on Sunday, Nov. 18. One student was charged with criminal

possession of marijuana and the other was charged with both criminal possession of marijuana and two stolen exit signs.

A stolen Wolfie statue was found in Eisenhower College on Sunday, Nov. 18. The case is still open.

An exit sign was reported stolen from Keller College on Sunday, Nov. 18. Another exit sign was pulled down, exposing electrical wires at Keller College. The case is under investigation.

All information herein was obtained from university police reports.

-Compiled by Ashleigh Sherow

Technological studies

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Paldy. Instead of having classes specifically for technological issues, making technology and society an intrinsic part of most studies will allow students to be familiar with more than one aspect of technology.

"It will make a more informed citizenry and they'd make more informed choices," Paldy said. "Right now there's a tremendous lack of knowledge, and the results

are clear especially with this recent hurricane."

Prior to the Superstorm Sandy, there had been proposals for contingency items, i.e. surge gates and other preventative plans for New York City that would have cost the city less in clean-up and relief measures, said Paldy.

"What needed to be done to protect New York City was a technology and society issue," he said. "But most people never even heard of it."

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Pocket Theatre to perform C.S. Lewis adaptation

By Supa Oh
Contributing Writer

"The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" is one of the books in the seven part "The Chronicles of Narnia" series created by C.S. Lewis and has been loved by children ever since it was published in 1950. Now, the Stony Brook Pocket Theatre will stage the popular novel in December.

Pocket Theatre president Christopher Stratis, a sophomore majoring in theatre arts, explained the reason for selecting "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe," saying "We wanted to do a production that many people have already been exposed to generate interest." By showing a play that is widely known, Stratis and his fellow production members are hoping to draw in more people to watch their play and perhaps pique their interest for plays in general. "I actually read this book and saw the movie, too. I knew I wanted to be part of it," Nicolette Margiotta, a freshman biology major who took the role of Mrs. Beaver in the play, said.

There are more than 20 members in the production. Sixteen are part of the cast and six are technicians that work for stage lighting and setting. The team has been preparing for the play since mid-September, with regular rehearsals last for three hours and usually run from 8 to 11 p.m. As the date of the performance neared, the team increased its efforts by practicing together more frequently.

"Like every other extracurricular activity here in Stony Brook, it is hard just to have people come without having conflicts with exams and classes. We have different schedules, which makes it a lot harder to gather everyone and practice together. We are trying work around it by having more rehearsals so that all of the cast members can be confident with



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Pocket Theatre prepares for this semester's performance, "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe."

their roles," director Katherine Gorham, a freshman theatre arts major, said. During the rehearsal on Nov. 19, members practiced the play's first and second acts, which form a large part of the entire work. Each member knew their own responsibilities and was willing to devote as much time as they needed to master their roles. "We are very fortunate to have such committed people," Stratis said.

Although Pocket Theatre is USG funded, the club's members had to create costumes by themselves. "Because we don't have a separate costume

crew to design and create and find the costumes for us, we had to give the responsibility of coming up with a costume to the actors," Gorham said.

Maho Takahashi, a sophomore liberal arts major, is playing the role of white stag. She is preparing her costume for the character and also designing a flyer of their show for the play. "We can play well as long as we have a stage. Although we cannot have expensive clothes, we can pretend to have one. That's acting," Takahashi said.

Despite the difficult practices and insufficient resources, the

cast and crew are working hard to perform their roles the best they can. During the rehearsal, every member focused on improving their acting and the quality of the play with the help of Gorham and Stratis. Having already memorized their lines and positions on the stage, they are currently focusing on improving emotional expression in the rehearsals. Paige Borak, a freshman psychology major, is an experienced actress who has performed 30 shows in the past four years. As the White Witch in the play, she is excited about the upcoming production. "It's so much fun being a bad

character. It's fun to portray someone that's not like you," she said.

However, due to the effects of Hurricane Sandy, the club's performance has been pushed back by one week. The new dates for the play are Dec. 6 through 8, at 8 p.m. in The Staller Center for the Arts' Theatre 3.

The president is expecting excellent attendance since the production is brand-new this year. The director, cast members, and technicians are trying their best to provide the audience with a great performance. All they ask for is an audience.

THREE ARTSY EVENTS

1) Emerson String Quartet

The Emerson String Quartet is performing at The Staller Center on Nov. 27 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$42.

2) Film: Beyond Grace

The Wang Center is hosting the film "Beyond Grace" on Nov. 28 from 7 to 9 p.m. The film depicts a mother's and daughter's collaboration to modernize traditional Indian dancing.

3.) Jazz Ensemble

Stony Brook's jazz band, The Biowage, is performing at the Staller Center on Nov. 30 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5.



Superstars Pitbull and Rihanna release new albums

By Atiba Rogers
Staff Writer



"Global Warming"

Hide your DJs, because wherever there is a fiesta, a Pitbull record will more than likely be pumping through the speakers in the near future.

Pitbull, who has built a reputation around his danceworthy music, just released his new album "Global Warming," in which he makes another attempt to take over the world while appealing to the masses.

Mr. Worldwide's cameo filled album includes appearances from the likes of

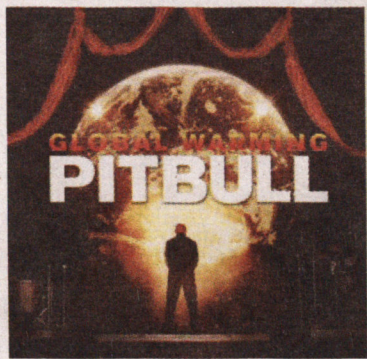


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Chris Brown, Akon, Enrique Iglesias, Afrojack and more.

In "Don't Stop The Party," the house music infused dance track is the latest single off the album, while "Party Ain't Over" features a not so impressive and pleading Usher who insists on having more drinks while the DJ turns the music up.

A very pregnant Shakira laced the track "Get It Started," with her vocals, and Christina Aguilera is featured on "Feel This Moment," which sampled A-ha's "Take On Me." Another familiar hook comes from Sheryl Crow's "All I Wanna Do" in the staccato rhythm of the song "Have Some Fun," which features The Wanted.

Pitbull introduced himself to the music industry back in 2004 with his single "Culo," which means ass in Spanish. Now it is 2012, and Pitbull's style seems to have changed significantly since then.

However, in a not-so-subtle track titled "Everybody F**ks" ft. Akon, Pitbull shamelessly raps about coaxing a woman into having sex because to him, there is no other topic worth discussing under the global warming sun.



"Unapologetic"

No matter what Rihanna does, she still ends up richer at the end of the day, which she makes perfectly clear with the 'stripper, weed smoking, I do not give a hoot' lyrics on her highly anticipated album, "Unapologetic."

Rihanna scored her 12th Hot 100 No.1 with "Diamonds" tying with The Supremes and Madonna for fourth place in the 54 years the rankings have been accounted for, according to Billboard.

Right after her successful 777 tour, she launched her 'Nude' fragrance to go along with the sale of her album.

She sings her heart out in the raw, tell-tale tracks. Some songs give insight as to what she thinks, and Rihanna is finally opening up a lot more as she spews obscenities with reckless abandon.

The bonus track "Half Of Me" addresses the public and its criticism toward the way she chooses to live her life.

"Love Without Tragedy" could have explicitly detailed her highly-publicized relationship with Chris Brown, but it was fixed with the Michael Jackson sample of "The

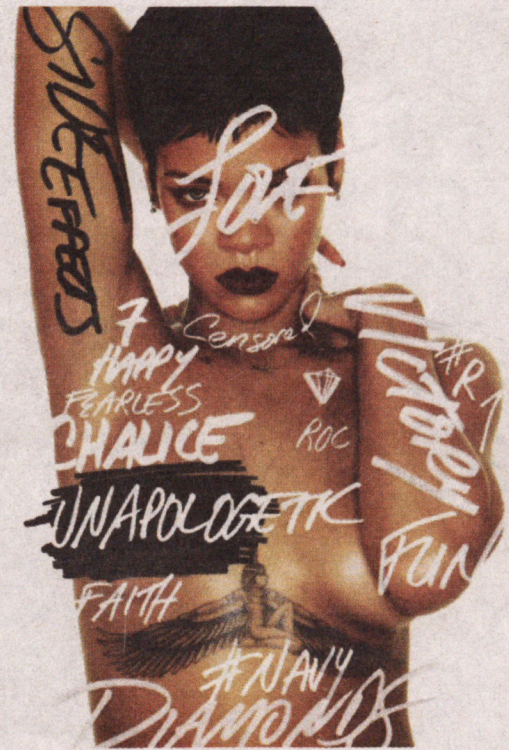


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Way You Make Me Feel," in their duet, "Nobody's Business." This leaves listeners to assume that the couple is back together.

It would not be surprising if "Phresh Off the Runway" is the theme song for next year's Mercedes-Benz fashion week.

2 Chainz makes a cameo appearance, and the tracks on the album, like "Right Now" produced by David Guetta and "Pour It Up," are very diverse. Her song "Jump," from Ginuwine's classic "Pony," is

also one of the club gems.

Rihanna may not be the best vocalist, but she makes it work with a ballad "Stay" ft. Mikky Ekko and "Get It Over With" where she depressingly sings about her experience of the stoner life.

She is now very emotionally connected to a lot of the meaningful songs that she sings on this album. It is evident mostly because audiences everywhere have watched important moments of her life played out in the public eye.

Stony Brook is a contender for Best of Long Island contest

By Ashleigh Sherow
Staff Writer

Does Stony Brook University have what it takes to be the best of Long Island? This year's big election may be over, but Stony Brook students can still vote for their school in the 2013 Best of Long Island contest. For the past eight years, the Bethpage Federal Credit Union and "The Long Island Press" have held an annual contest that allows Long Islanders to nominate and vote for the best of Long Island in

categories ranging from arts and entertainment to education.

The contest, which had humble beginnings as a yearly column featuring picks by editors, has grown to feature more than 5,000 nominees in unique categories from best eye care specialist to best local theater group to best concert venue. This year, Stony Brook has been nominated for 11 of the more than 360 awards. In 2012, the "best college president" category was added to the contest, which Stony

Brook's own President, Samuel L. Stanley Jr., won. He has been nominated in the same category this year. Under the education category, Stony Brook has also been nominated for "Best College Sports Program" and "Best LI College or University." Last year, Stony Brook was named best on Long Island in both of these categories.

In the health and wellness category, Stony Brook University Hospital has been nominated for best hospital and the Long Island State Veteran's

Home, located on the Stony Brook Campus, was nominated for best adult day care. Neither of these facilities have won in these categories before.

Under services, Stony Brook's child-care center, located across from the South P Lot, was nominated. The child-care facility has also never been recognized in this contest before.

Even as a school that is known for its science program, SBU is up for five awards in the arts and entertainment category. Stony Brook mascot Wolfie Seawolf has been nominated for best mascot. Last year, Wolfie came in second to QuackerJack from Long Island's minor league baseball team, The Long Island Ducks. The Stony Brook Film Festival, which is held over the summer at Stony Brook's Staller Center for the Arts, has also been nominated

for "Annual Event/Festival." The Staller Center is up for both best concert venue and local live theater. Last year, the Nikon Center at Jones Beach won best concert venue, and the Patchogue Theatre for the Performing Arts won for best local live theater. Stony Brook University's radio station, WUSB, was also nominated this year.

The voting for the 2013 Best of Long Island awards started back in October, and voting will end on Dec. 15, 2012. To vote, head over to bestof.longislandpress.com/voting and cast your ballot for the best of Long Island. A voting app for mobile phones, which can be downloaded via iTunes, was also introduced last year. Voting is limited to once per day. The winners of the contest will be announced in January 2013 for the start of the New Year.



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Killing the abortion debate

By Anusha Mookherjee
Opinions Editor

Savita Halappanavar, a 31-year-old wife and dentist, died of blood poisoning in Ireland after being denied an abortion during a miscarriage. Ireland, a very conservative and Catholic country, has strict abortion laws. Though the official term was 'termination,' Savita's fetus had a heart beat, so she was denied any help from Galway University Hospital. These stories are too common, yet even today, the controversy of the topic remains.

Abortion is a very emotional topic for many people, and for good reason. One side believes that the action is the same as murder, while others believe that the option to get an abortion is just another fundamental part of women's rights. With such a complicated issue, having just two sides is useless. Even being pro-choice, one could be against abortion in their own personal case. The fact that abortion is a complicated issue, not just to define but in relation to each individual, makes me feel that abortion shouldn't be a matter of politics and religion. For a country that so strongly supports the separation of church and state, the U.S. has taken too many steps backward in the debate regarding abortion. In a field where we should be leading and setting an example for human rights, the abortion debate has found a divide between generations.

Today's generation seems to be much more aware of the problems that abortion can solve. For example, many consider themselves to be pro-life yet support abortions for women

that were victims of rape or for pregnancy complications that threaten the life of the mother. On the other hand, Paul Ryan, former vice presidential candidate, has the archaic viewpoint that abortion should be illegal under all circumstances. Many have observed that most of the younger voters, whether Republican or Democrat, disagree on many social issues that are stereotypical of the conservatives.

In Congress today, the house has 76 female representatives out of 435 representatives, and the senate has 17 out of 100, a small step up from the previous session. Over the summer there was a Congressional hearing on birth control, and the committee that held the hearing was completely filled with men, with the only females attending in the audience. This image and situation is just wrong. Males in Congress should not be the determining factor for women's rights in the U.S. Men are not educated on birth control the way females are. Even the name for the pills, birth control, gives the contraceptive a negative connotation. In reality, the pill gives small doses of hormones that even recovering cancer patients use to maintain healthy hormone levels. It can help females in rare medical conditions and help with problems that males probably don't even want to read about.

Abortion, like in the case of Savita, could save lives. The argument against abortion is that it is killing a life, but the doctors who denied Savita an abortion let her die. I strongly believe it is more immoral to let a mother die than a 17-week-old fetus. Without the mother, the fetus wouldn't survive. The doctors who saw Savita knew

she was having a miscarriage and the baby would die. Why couldn't they help her, the patient? The fetus is not the patient; it is the mother who was admitted into the hospital and was told the baby would die and lay there in pain. Ireland's archaic law mandated that the fetus live, ultimately leading to the mother's avoidable death. In the U.S., conservative states and politicians want to ban abortion altogether, which would impact women's rights all across the country.

To think that doctors can watch a patient die because the law won't allow the right medical treatment is morally wrong. Abortion is morally wrong in the eyes of many people, but allowing someone who wanted the child and was perfectly healthy to die is worse. A 17-week-old fetus isn't comparable to the bigger life, the mother. Politicians, both in Ireland and the U.S., should see that a woman should be given the option of abortion, and the right to choose it if it's in her best interest.

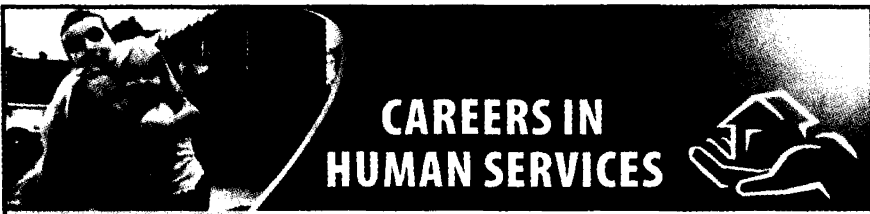
Of course, there are always the need for limitations, but in medical emergencies, abortion needs to be legal in every country because the mother's life is always more important. It would be negligent to not provide a simple procedure to save a life. Savita wanted her child, yet she realized there was no chance in saving the fetus and wanted to move ahead with termination. It wasn't a decision based on religion, law or politics, but one regarding medicine and health. Her death is just another case in the larger debate of abortion and giving the right to females to decide on health care issues that affect their bodies.

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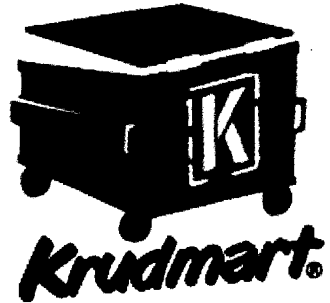
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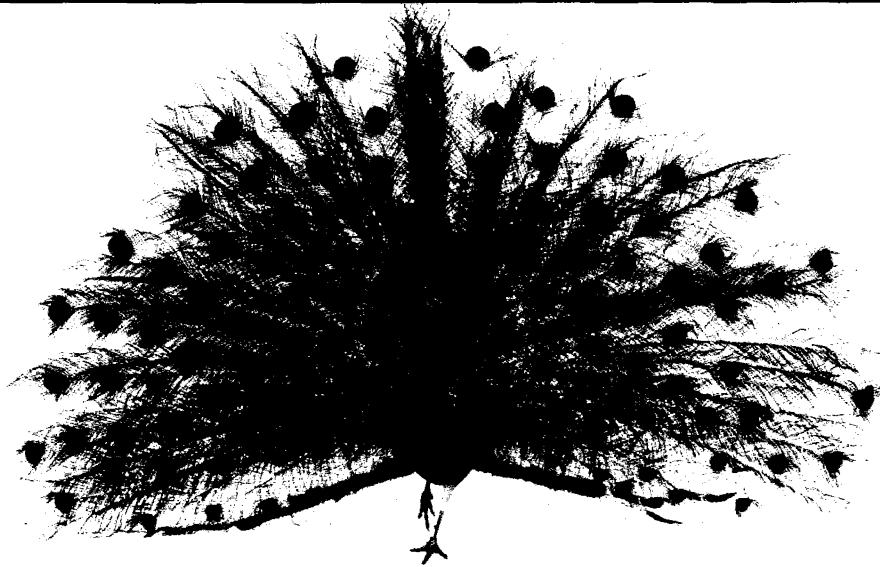
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A cease fire ends airstrikes, but doesn't bring stability

By Keith Olsen
Assistant Opinions Editor

The crisis in Gaza is officially over; for now, anyway. Over the course of those violent eight days, 169 Palestinians and six Israelis were killed, not to mention the hundreds that were injured between the Israeli airstrikes and

the Hamas rockets. Luckily, the conflict was resolved without Israeli escalation, thanks to the successful negotiations that were led by Egyptian President Mohamed Morsi and Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton. However, it seems that the cause for the resolution of one crisis

has become the catalyst for yet another crisis.

Ever since the 2011 Egyptian Revolution, President Morsi has been attempting to rid the government institutions of former Egyptian President/Dictator Mubarak's supporters. The judiciary has been especially outright in its opposition to the reforms that Morsi has been attempting to pass in Egypt, which has caused tension to rise between them and Morsi's supporters.

After gaining some political capital after his successful negotiation, Morsi has attempted to make the most of it by issuing a decree which essentially suspends judicial oversight from Morsi's laws that he issues until a new parliament is formed and a new constitution is drawn up.

Huge crowds have formed in the streets in opposition to this decree. Investors showed their dissatisfaction when the stock market dropped nearly 10 percent; this decline was only stopped by restrictions that stop drastic declines. The judiciary has

threatened to go out on strike if the decree isn't recalled, which would devastate the legal system. Ever since the decree was issued, Tahrir Square, the focal point of the 2011 Revolution, has been filled with tens of thousands of protesters and reformers who are worried about the future of their country.

The protesters have good reason to be wary of Morsi and his decree; Egyptians haven't forgotten the "temporary" emergency law that was in effect for nearly all of former President Mubarak's 30 year reign. Mubarak caused Egypt to be exceptionally stable at the expense of the rights of Egyptians.

The lack of political rights was one of the major reasons for the revolution, which has so far been the primary success of the Arab Spring. Many are worried about Morsi because of his prominent position within the Muslim Brotherhood, which is the largest Arabic political party. While it generally supports moderate views, some of its members have made outrageous

statements about the superiority of Islam in the past which worry some non-Muslims. Additionally worrisome to those opposing the Muslim Brotherhood is the fact that the body that has been writing the new constitution and the upper house of the Egyptian Parliament are allied with Morsi. The judiciary is worried that the Islamists are writing the rules in their favor instead of writing them for the benefit of the country.

These huge street riots have already descended into violence. Muslim Brotherhood offices in numerous Egyptian cities have been burned to the ground by protesters, and there are reports of tear gas being used by riot police against the protesters. This situation needs to be resolved with the same haste that the Gaza conflict was solved with before it turns into a far uglier situation. The different factions of the Egyptian government must negotiate and meld together, else the nation will devolve into an even uglier civil war than the previous revolution.



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Smoke rises after an Israeli airstrike in Gaza

The next Republican Revolution: 2016

By David O'Connor
Managing Editor

The last few years of American politics have given a great deal of the spotlight to the Republican Party. From the rise of the Tea Party to the presidential primaries, American conservatism has received a great deal of attention. It has polarized the United States with some people relishing the movement as the resurrection of American values and others seeing it as an anchor holding the country back socially, economically, etc.

However, the second Republican 'revolution,' as some have referred to it as, may not succeed if one would have considered a victory for Willard 'Mitt' Romney in the presidential election as the definition of success. What happens next to the Republican Party? Senator Mitch McConnell's promise of making Barack Obama a "one-term president" has been unfulfilled, and the 'new dawn' of the American conservative movement has been ground to a halt.

Fortunately for the Republicans, there is a trend of having another presidential election every four years, so they can certainly try again should Obama be departing in January of 2017 rather than in the next few months. But there are signs that the Republican Party of 2016 will be slightly different than the one we have today.

Even though four years rarely brings about a complete change in policy, a third Republican revolution may be waiting silently in the wings, and this time within the party rather than against the Democrats. Such a revolution could establish the Republican Party as the power in American politics for years.

First off, the Republican Party could be beginning to show signs of less social conservatism. When one looks at the ideology of a great deal of College Republican clubs on campus, they don't hear about same-sex marriage or abortion. While these are issues that are not going to glide away into insignificance, their relative importance to other issues is declining for young Republicans and young people in general. A recent Pew Forum survey revealed that roughly one third of all people between the age of 18 and 29 are religiously unaffiliated.

At the moment, this block in American religious life is predominately claimed by the Democrats, which isn't the end of the world for the Republicans of 2012, but the number of Americans who claim no religious affiliation is growing more quickly than any other category is. It is a group that will soon become hard to ignore.

Even for those young Americans who are affiliated, religion tends to be a more private than evangelizing concept. Overall, young American adults have a far more libertarian standpoint on social issues, and this is a trend that is very likely to continue. These voters are replacing older Americans, who are more socially conservative, and, for better or for worse, politicians have an interesting ability to say and do what will get them those votes.

The Republican Party of 2016 is also a lot more likely to feel closer to home. Both the Tea Party and young Republicans show a tendency to not want to involve the United States in the affairs of other nations more than is necessary. This is a reversal from the neoconservative instincts of the party during the second Bush administration and for many years beforehand. There are quite a

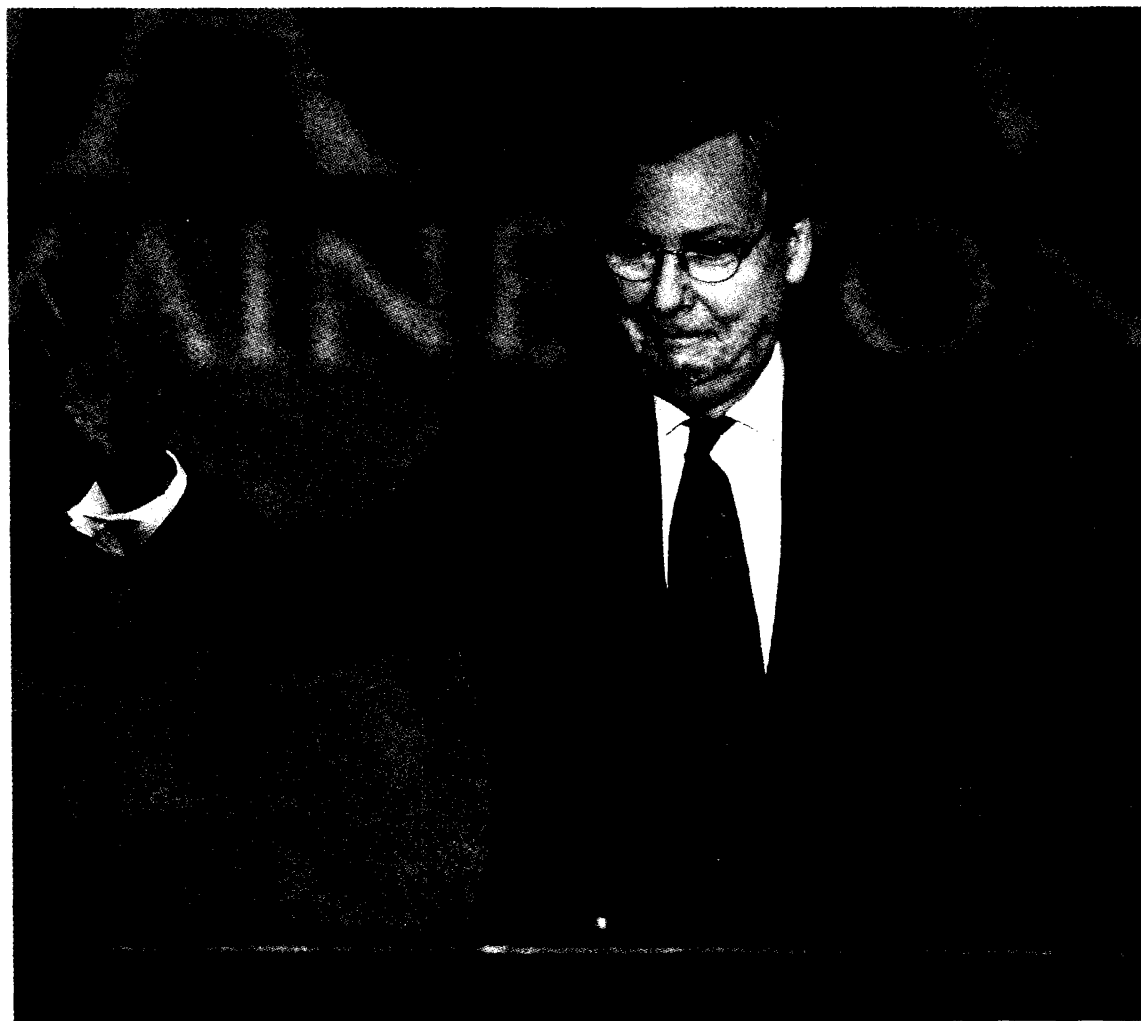


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Senate Republican Leader Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) speaking at the RNC

few reasons why Republicans have been refocusing domestically. On the one hand, a lot of conservative Americans feel that too much of their money goes to fixing other nation's problems, whether in aid or military use. Plus, the overseas influence of the United States is not as powerful as it used to be.

Economic constraints from inside the U.S. and the rise of other nations have forced the United States to redefine its role in the world, and the emerging consensus for what that role should be has this

country retracting a great deal from its foreign entanglements.

These are a couple of examples as to what the Republican Party may be molding into four years from now. There is, however, no guarantee that this change will happen. The party may retain its socially conservative and interventionist tendencies, but that may do it more harm than good.

There are plenty of young people for whom conservatism would be very appealing, if not for the fact that they perceive the Republican

Party as being further from their beliefs than the Democratic Party. Retaining the current party line would alienate this growing group in the American electorate. However, if the party learns to embrace this new bloc and a somewhat modified ideology, a third Republican revolution from within may make the party the dominant force in American politics for years in a fashion similar to how President Franklin Roosevelt revamped the Democrats and lead them to two decades of rule in the White House.

Stony Brook blows out NJIT

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points, seven rebounds (four offensive) and one assist coming off the bench.

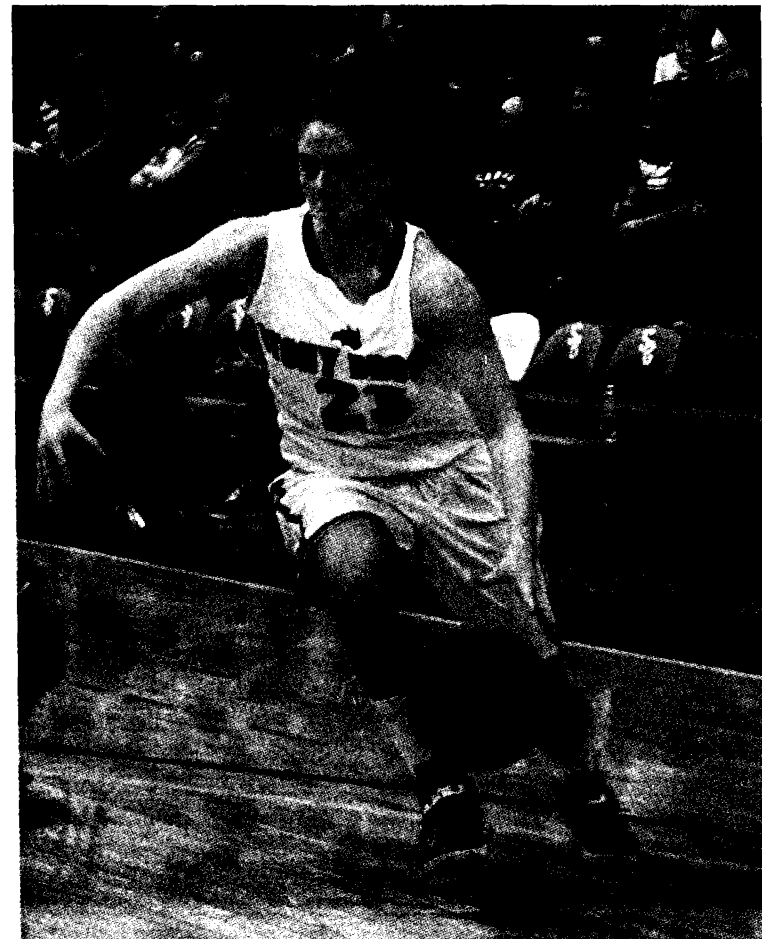
Junior guard Chikilra Goodman made her first start for Stony Brook, and had a game-high five steals.

In the first half, senior guard Dani Klupenger sunk her first three-pointer of the season, for her 70th three-pointer in her

Stony Brook career, moving her up to 7 in the program's all-time list in the category.

The 25-point win also represents the largest margin of victory for Stony Brook since Dec. 6, 2009, when the Seawolves defeated St. Francis (NY) 71-40.

This week, Stony Brook will remain on the road and face Robert Morris and Youngstown State on Wednesday and Friday respectively.



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Freshman guard Kim Hanlon played 18 minutes in NJIT.



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SBU to play #2 Montana State in next round

By Adrian Szkolar
Assistant Sports Editor

Following Stony Brook's 20-10 victory over Villanova, the team will travel over 2,000 miles to Bozeman, Mont., to take on #2 Montana State.

Montana State did not play last week due to receiving a first-round bye in the FCS playoffs.

In its last game two weeks ago, the Bobcats defeated Montana 16-7. Overall, Montana State is 10-1 this season, with its lone loss coming in a 27-24 loss to Eastern Washington on Oct. 13.

Offensively, Montana State is led by quarterback DeNarius McGhee. The junior has completed 67.5 percent of his throws for an average of 247.8 yards per game,

and has rushed for an average of 23 yards per game.

Other key players on the offensive end include running back Cody Kirk, who has averaged 90.6 rushing yards per game, and wide receiver Tanner Bleskin, the team's leader in receptions with 58 and total receiving yards with 722.

Key players on the defensive side of the ball for Montana State include defensive end Caleb Schreiber, the team's leader in sacks with 12, linebacker Jody Owens, who leads the team with 82 tackles, and cornerback Darius Jones, the team's leader in interceptions with four.

Playing without first string quarterback Kyle Essington, the leader of the FCS in passing efficiency, last Saturday, Stony

Brook relied heavily on its running back duo of senior Miguel Maysonet and junior Marcus Coker against Villanova.

Junior quarterback Lyle Negrón only attempted six passes in the game, while Maysonet and Coker combined for 54 rushing attempts.

Essington, who missed the game due to a thigh contusion suffered in the regular season finale against Liberty, is listed as questionable for next week's game as of print time.

"That's the team we are; we like to run the ball, that shows the type of offense we are. The more we pound the ball, the more they get soft," Maysonet said. "You could see throughout the week that Kyle was banged up, Lyle was able to run our offense the way you're used to see us running it."

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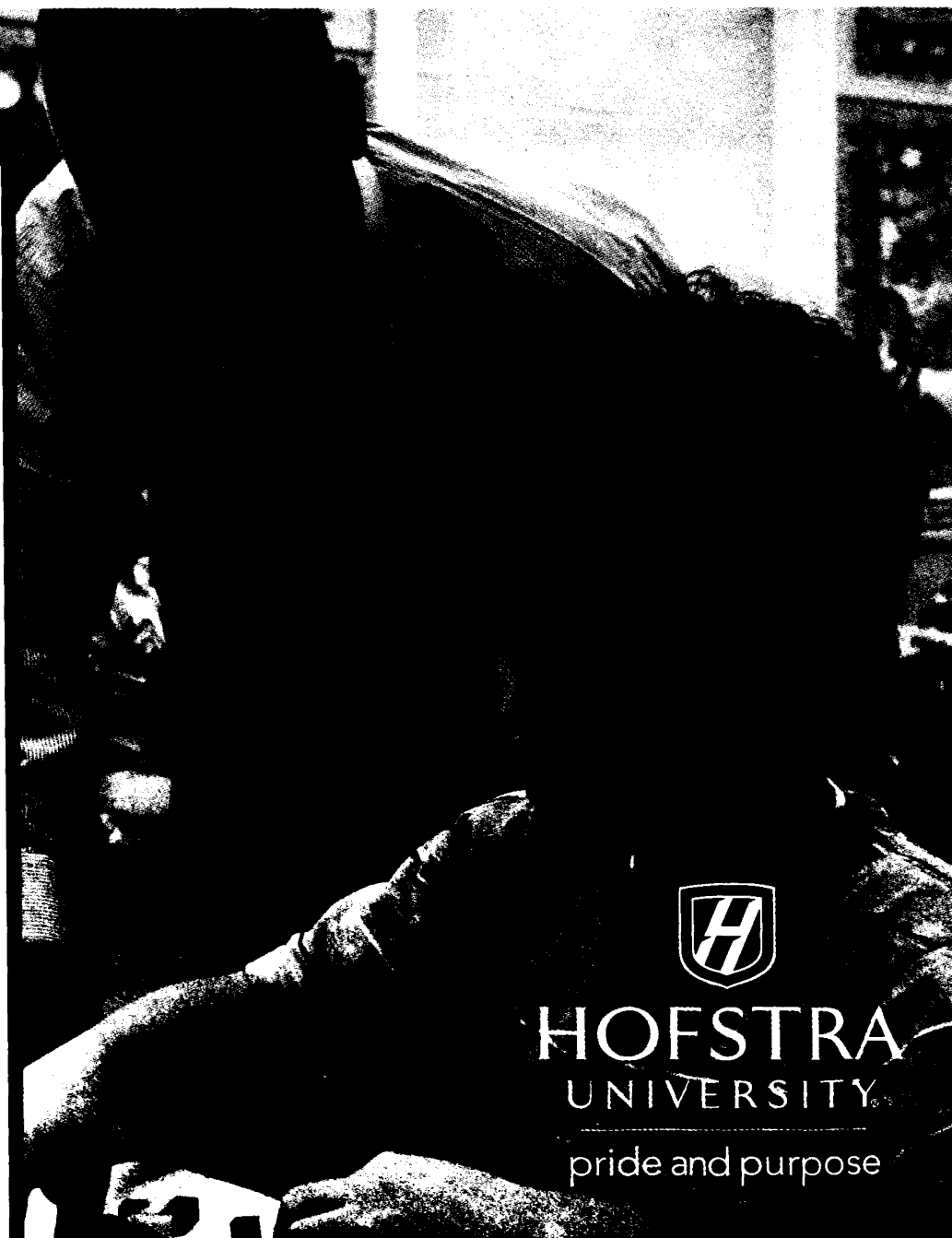
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New Barclays Center is a hit for Stony Brook students

By Mira Gor
Staff Writer

Basketball season is continuing on its way, and in the midst of all the action, one team has a new stadium to call home, and a new image to adapt to.

The Barclays Center in Brooklyn is now the home of the new Brooklyn Nets, formerly known as the New Jersey Nets, and naturally, this shift adds excitement to the team's season.

News of this change has Stony Brook students hyped about the Nets' fresh start as well.

When asked various students how often they will go to the new center, most of them said they will visit often, mostly for basketball.

Knicks enthusiast Steven Adelson, a freshman mathematics and European history double major, said, "I will definitely be attending a couple of games when the Knicks play the Nets at the Barclay Center, as well as concerts and other events that interest me."

Freshman James Orban, majoring in Biology, had a similar answer: "I would enjoy seeing a game or two."

He added what he is most excited about as well, "Mostly concerts, but I'd see a game if someone good was playing."

Others said they would go even if basketball wasn't their main area of interest, as did freshman Knicks fan Julio Nunez, an information systems major: "I'd totally go to the Center, even if I didn't watch basketball."

Furthermore, it seems like the Nets, Barclays Center, and the Islanders are three words that are often seen and used together, mostly because of the Islanders' move from their former home at Nassau Coliseum to the Barclay Center.

Rangers fans like Orban have nothing to worry about, but Adelson feels strongly about the move.

"While I am not a huge fan of hockey, I am disappointed in the move," Adelson said.

"This was the Island's last remaining 'national' team. I know a lot of people who are



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With the opening of the Barclays Center in Brooklyn, Stony Brook students are able to watch professional teams like the Brooklyn Nets, and later, the New York Islanders.

disappointed by this decision and will be unable to attend games now."

Sophomore psychology major Jason Hyatt also understands the frustration of Islanders' fans, saying, "I love the fact that the Islanders are moving to Barclay's however I do see how for some people (most of which live on Nassau County) this is extremely frustrating."

Nonetheless, it is overall an exciting aspect of the new Center, although native Long Islanders do feel a loss of a former homely team.

Fans are aware that the Center will have many other events besides basketball and hockey that will take place there, and many are excited about what is yet to come.

Hyatt, a Nets fan, said he will visit the Center "Probably once or twice a season, I would go for fun if something interesting is happening."

And as a matter of fact, something interesting truly is happening.

On December 8th, The Rolling Stones are attending the Center and performing in concert, and students understand the value of this event.

Freshman biology major Cassie Chu shared her excitement, "I am very glad to hear that the Rolling Stones are coming here because it's nice for getting people to come to the area. And I love them. A lot."

Hyatt also agrees that having the Stones perform at the Center will be a good publicity tactic.

"I think the venue is trying to reach a wide variety of audiences and offering the Rolling Stones the opportunity to play there is an interesting one."

Nunez agreed, saying "It's really exciting and awesome. It gives the Barclays Center a huge amount of exposure."

Adelson gave his input, expressing his liking of the Stones stating, "I am really excited and have always looked forward to seeing the Rolling Stones live, so this is definitely a big deal to me, and I hope to others as well."

Freshman Johny Tholany, a biology major, thinks, "The Rolling Stones are definitely a pretty hype beginning, even if I'm not into them specifically."

They're a classic, though, so gotta respect what they've done in the music industry."

Students expect many well-

known artists to be performing at the Center.

Tholany has specific expectations, "Jay-Z better perform."

Other than that, I would love to maybe see some stand-up from The Darkness Brothers (Eddie and Charlie Murphy).

Maxwell is from East Brooklyn so he should be in the neighborhood as well.

I'm sure it could work out too, cause Jay-Z has connections. Anybody though, would be cool, even local people, just for the sake of hype."

Orban, the Rangers fan, gave a wide array of possibilities, saying he would like to see "Anything from Eric Clapton to Metallica."

Sophomore Andy Cheng, a Biochemistry major, seemed quite excited, expressing his choice in who he expects to perform at the center, exclaiming "Coldplay on New Year's Eve!"

Truly, the Center has a lot to offer, but the question of accessibility naturally arises.

How easy is it to get to the Center and enjoy all that it has to offer? Students have varying opinions, but most say that is pretty simple to get to the Barclay Center.

Orban states it's "very easy, since there is a train station on campus." Hyatt compares the accessibility to the Madison Square Garden, expressing, "It would be just as easy as going to MSG the LIRR stops right at the Barclay's Center."

Tholany, Adelson, and Nunez are on the same page. Tholany thinks "It should be pretty easy, not too difficult. People commute from their all the time."

Adelson, agrees, but does point out the long commute:

"It doesn't appear too difficult to travel there, although it may take in upwards of 2 hours from Stony Brook."

Nunez also considered the long travel time, and said, "It's not that hard, but I won't call it easy. 'Bout a 2 hour trip."

Sequentially, the fact that there will be so many different types of events that will be held at the stadium makes sports and concert lovers wonder about what they will be able to buy to satisfy appetites.

Adelson expressed his menu expectations by saying, "I would expect nothing more than the traditional 'event' food, including pizza, burgers, fries, soda..."

Tholany agreed, but also added cotton candy into the mix.

Hyatt went a step ahead, and illuminated his expectation for fancier, uncommon stadium foods.

"A diverse selection of food will probably be served from hot dogs and pretzels to sushi and other more 'gourmet' delicacies."

Freshman James Alrassi summed up his expectations of what the food is going to be like in one word: "expensive."

Finally, when asked whether one would prefer Barclay or Madison Square Garden, students had varying responses due to varying reasons, some being personal, others being rational.

Orban, citing personal attachments to the Garden, said he prefers the Garden over the Barclay Center.

Cheng prefers the Garden, "Mostly because it's easier to get to, in the center of everything (NYC) and more popular," he said.

Adelson prefers the Garden because it is the home of his beloved basketball team, the Knicks.

"There is so much history behind MSG which makes it more exciting to go to," Hyatt said.

"Plus its location is awesome. However Barclay's is more convenient for me I can see myself going there just as often."

The Barclay Center has Stony Brook students excited, and will also be beneficial to Brooklyn itself.

A Brooklyn native, Hyatt added, "The history of the neighborhood and how it is becoming a better and better neighborhood is something very interesting especially in relation to people traveling late at night."

The Nets are currently 7-4 and sit just a game and a half behind the first-place Knicks.

Since the trade to bring in star point guard, Deron Williams, the Nets have been a better program overall.

This has been big for them, since they lost the former faces of the franchise, in Jason Kidd and Vince Carter. Williams and Brooke Lopez will be a force for the Nets, who should be competing for league titles in the years to come.

With the improvement of the Nets and the Islanders moving to Barclays Center for the 2015-16 season, Stony Brook students will be attending more games there.



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Deron Williams and the Brooklyn Nets are bringing basketball back to Brooklyn.

SPORTS

Football defeats Villanova 20-10, advances to 2nd round

By David O'Connor
Managing Editor

It wasn't a day to bring one's family to a picnic, but low temperatures were not enough to keep fans away from playoff football at Stony Brook University.

After waiting for two weeks, the Seawolves defeated the Villanova University Wildcats 20-10 in the opening round of the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) playoffs.

"This team had a long two weeks and didn't know what would happen," head coach Chuck Priore said.

"They knew they deserved this opportunity; I thought we took advantage of it against a great football team."

The game clock appeared to melt away as both teams frequently ran the ball.

Two long drives were enough to last the entire first quarter in which neither team was able to score.

Stony Brook's initial drive began on its own two-yard line and was taken down the entire field.

Of the total 118 yards accumulated in the quarter by both squads, 89 of those were from runs.

"That's the team we are," senior running back Miguel Maysonet said. "We like to run the ball. That shows the type of offense we are."

Coming up strong for the Seawolves this time was junior



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The Seawolves will move on to the second round of the playoffs against Montana State.

running back Marcus Coker, who picked up 52 of those yards.

At the end of the quarter, Stony Brook had the ball at the Wildcats' 9-yard line.

The Seawolves capitalized on this opportunity immediately in the second quarter when Maysonet scored the first touchdown of the game.

Stony Brook maintained its 7-0 advantage until deep into the first half when Maysonet scored yet another touchdown.

In the game, he passed 5,000 yards for his career which

began at Hofstra University and continued for three years at Stony Brook.

The score remained 14-0 going into halftime as the sky got darker and the temperature got lower.

Neither team allowed easy points through the second half. Villanova finally got on the scoreboard with a field goal with 7:59 left in the third quarter.

Stony Brook responded in turn by punching through a field goal of its own with less than two and a half minutes in the quarter.

At the end of the third quarter, the Seawolves still led by the same margin they had entered with coming out of halftime, maintaining a 17-3 advantage.

The Seawolves kicked another field goal less than two minutes into the fourth quarter, increasing their lead by 3 and driving the score up to 20-3.

However, with 6:57 left in the game, Villanova quarterback John Robertson scored his team's first touchdown of the game.

The Wildcats trailed by only 10 points as the game entered its

final minutes.

With a little less than five minutes left, the Wildcats had the ball at their 20-yard line.

The time was winding down on any realistic opportunity they had to come back.

However, it was not meant to be as junior defensive back Davonte Anderson intercepted a Villanova pass and brought the ball back to their 17-yard line.

That moment appeared to bring the game to a psychological end.

"Our coverage was really tight," Anderson said. "[Robertson] had to move out of the pocket and throw the ball on the run."

It was Stony Brook's evening to celebrate. The game came to an end with score at 20-10 in its favor.

"We've got a great group of guys," Priore said. "They're an intense group; they get along with each other. They really buy into what we're coaching them. They're the real deal."

The Seawolves will next travel out west to face Montana State University at 7 p.m. on Dec. 7 in the next round of the FCS playoffs.

One person who believes that they can go places is their recent opponent.

"They're a very good team," Villanova head coach Andy Talley said.

"They're going to give some people some scares in this run for a championship. I'm looking forward to them in the [Colonial Athletic Association]."

#21 UConn's three-point barrage buries SBU 73-62

By David O'Connor
Managing Editor

The University of Connecticut (UConn) Huskies defeated the Stony Brook men's basketball team 73-62.

It wasn't an unexpected result, but the America East conference's representative did not roll over and die in the face of one of college basketball's most legendary programs.

The men are now 4-2 on the season.

The game opened quickly for the Seawolves. Junior guard Dave Coley knocked down a three-pointer in the opening minute of the game.

The Seawolves built up a 7-2 lead into the first timeout a little more than four minutes in.

They continued to hold an edge over the Huskies deeper into the first half, holding them to less than 10 points more than 10 minutes into the game.

However, UConn fought back, eating away at Stony Brook's lead until it tied the game at 17 each with 6:32 left in the half.

The two teams exchanged points as the opening act drew closer to a close.

As the teams headed into the

locker room for halftime, the Seawolves had begun to pull away, taking with them a 31-26 advantage.

The Huskies came out swinging in the second half and got to within one point of the Seawolves when the score stood at 33-32 approximately two and a half minutes into the half.

Stony Brook refused to cave in easy and kept pace with the Huskies.

There was a point, however, that UConn could not be stopped. The

game was tied at 39 with 11:39 left in the game.

The Huskies made six straight points and continued to pull ahead.

They continued to surge ahead, and the Seawolves could not make baskets to keep up with them.

With five minutes to go, the Huskies led by 10 points.

The deficit hovered around this number until the end of the game, a game that hardly anyone expected the Seawolves to win but featured a valiant effort against one

of the nation's top teams.

The Stony Brook University men's basketball team won its first matchup of a two-game weekend against the Canisius University Golden Griffins, 82-75.

Two Seawolves were in double figures on the day against their previously unbeaten opponents as freshman forward Jameel Warney scored a career-high 18 points and junior guard Anthony Jackson notched a career-high 21 points.

Senior forward Tommy Brenton was one point short of a double-double as he had nine points, 14 rebounds and six assists. His rebounding total is season high.

The teams remained in sight of each other through the first half, but Stony Brook went on a run as it led 43-41 and scored nine straight points.

The Seawolves led by as much as 15 points, but the Golden Griffins refused to be brushed aside.

They cut the deficit to six points, leaving Stony Brook with a 74-68 advantage with a minute and a half left to play.

The 80-point victory was Stony Brook's first against a Division-I opponent since it defeated UMBC 80-68 on Feb. 28, 2012.

The team will next face Cornell on the road on Nov. 28.



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The Seawolves split a weekend series against UConn and Canisius.

Women's basketball defeats NJIT, 59-34

By Jason Mazza
Staff Writer

Stony Brook Women's Basketball traveled to New Jersey for an out of conference Division 1 matchup with NJIT. In a lopsided affair where the Seawolves won 59-34, it was the defense that lead way, at one point holding the Highlanders to a 10-minute span without scoring.

During that 10-minute span, NJIT missed 10 shots and turned the ball over four times. Stony Brook would score 14 unanswered points, and at the 5:08 mark, held a commanding 24-6 lead.

Overall, NJIT hit 11 total shots and only shot 26.2 percent from the field. The Highlanders turned the ball over 16 times total, and were out-rebounded by the Seawolves 40-20.

Senior forward Jessica Previlon led the Stony Brook with a 15 point, 10 rebound double-double effort. Junior guard Teasha Harris had eight

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