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## Food truck and coffee among changes to campus dining

By Christine Powell  
Staff Writer

Students returned from spring break to several changes in their dining options, most notably the new MoGo Chef food truck that parks between the Stony Brook Union and Melville Library on weekdays.

The new truck promises customers gourmet grab-and-go food made from fresh and local ingredients and has a core menu with rotating weekly specials, like cajun fish tacos and a grilled chicken tzatziki wrap.

Mogo Chef replaces the Grey Horse Tavern Rolling Kitchen, which recently ended an agreement with the university due to low sales.

Just like the old truck, MoGo Chef does not accept meal points and has no plans to accept them in the future, according to Angela Agnello, the director of marketing and communications at the Faculty Student Association. But according to Vito Coraci—who operates the truck with his wife, Geralyn, a Stony Brook University alumna—students can make payments with their credit cards through an app called Square Up.

The couple, from Shoreham, N.Y., entered the food truck industry in 2011 after losing their jobs in the financial crisis, according to the MoGo Chef website.

But the truck is not the only change in campus dining this year.

The coffee brand Farmer's Brothers has replaced Seattle's Best in the Student Activities Center, the Stony Brook Union Commons and Kelly Dining.

The FSA has also introduced new cutlery procedures in the dining commons. Utensils are now dispensed from a single dispense utensil holder in an effort to reduce cutlery waste and make the process more sanitary. The utensils are also compostable.

And another new food choice on campus is an ice cream cart that resides in front of the administration building from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday to Thursday. The cart also only accepts cash and sells several kinds of Hershey's ice cream bars for \$2.50, Ben & Jerry's

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A group of tribal dancers performed outside the Melville Library during Earthstock on Friday, April 20.

## Seawolves fight against cancer

By Chelsea Katz  
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"Seawolves Against Cancer" is fighting for a world with more birthdays. It will host the annual Relay for Life walk on April 27 in the Sports Complex to raise money for the fight against cancer.

The Relay for Life differs from other disease-driven walks in that it lasts all night. The walk starts at 6 p.m. and continues until 6 a.m. At least one representative from each team is required to walk at all times throughout the night.

"The overnight aspect is very symbolic because the whole point is that cancer never sleeps," sophomore health sciences major Katerina Rockford, a co-chair of the event, said.

The relay event will involve three ceremonies. The opening ceremony will feature the event's co-chairs, Rockford and Katelyn O'Connor who will speak about planning the SBU Relay for Life; Pamela Parker, a representative from the American Cancer Society; a survivor and a caregiver.

During the Luminaria ceremony, participants will walk around the track in the dark. Luminaria bags with names of people that have been affected by cancer are to be placed around the track, set to guide the way. Participants can buy bags throughout the night.

"Everyone comes together at the end of the night; everyone's exhausted," Rockford said. "We're still pumped. We're so excited that we got through the end of the night and it's almost as if we've suffered together through the hardness."

After many years without a campus Relay for Life program, students chose to bring the fundraising walk back to SBU in 2011. The students formed the "Seawolves Against Cancer" club to promote the event.

Last year, the SBU Relay for Life brought 250 participants and was dubbed to have had the number one rookie relay. As of Saturday afternoon, about 410 people signed up to take part in this year's relay. The planning committee is hoping for 450 walkers for the actual event.

As of Saturday, the SBU Relay for Life raised \$27,000 to donate to the American Cancer Society. The American Cancer Society donates money to mentally and physically improve quality of life for cancer patients and college scholarships for survivors.

During the event, the Relay for Life committee has activities planned for those who are not walking. Plans include bake sales, a powerlifting competition, a fundraising game of musical chairs, possibly a dunk tank and a Chinese auction.

There will also be a drag show beauty pageant. Part of the pageant will involve the contestants attempting to seduce the crowd to donate more money to Relay for Life.

In addition, the Pipettes, the SBU Dance Team, Belly Dancers and TwoCentSam (an off-campus band) will perform.

Seawolves Against Cancer have recruited various clubs and organizations from around the campus community, such as Quad fellows and various Greek organizations to raise money for the event.

## Seawolves for Change take Senate and Presidency in USG elections

By Gregory J. Klubok  
Standards Editor

The Seawolves for Change party came out of USG elections with the Presidency and Senate in its hands.

Sophomore biology major Anna Lubitz will be USG's next president after beating her two opponents, Adil Hussain of the Students United Party and Juan Cordon, who ran as an independent. Lubitz not only garnered more votes than her opponents but also received more than 50 percent of the vote, which is required to avoid a runoff election.

Lubitz said that her goals consist of "increasing awareness of USG to the SBU student body; implementing an effective communication system between USG and the clubs/organizations and student body, as a whole; and creating a sense of community amongst the students of SBU by bringing fun and memorable events/activities to campus."

Derek Cope, who was also running on the Seawolves for Change ticket, defeated his only opponent, Zachary Guarnero, and will be the vice president of academic affairs.

Amanda Cohen will be the next vice president of clubs and organizations, and Sophie March will be the next vice president of communications. Both ran unopposed as part of the Students United Party.

Allen Abraham of Students Actively Fighting for Equity, or SAFE, beat Cyril Kattuppallil of Seawolves for Change by a mere 28 votes in the race for treasurer.

There will be runoff elections for the positions of executive vice

president and vice president of student life. The runoff election for executive vice president will be between Aimee Pomeroy of Seawolves for Change and Jason Sockin of SAFE. Pomeroy beat Sockin by almost 300 votes, but did not receive a majority of votes due to a third candidate, Kia Valkonen.

Patrick Abelein of Seawolves for Change and Nicholas Ela of SAFE will face each other in the runoff election for vice president of student life. Abelein beat Ela by only 25 votes, with Tyrik Jiang coming in third place.

In addition to taking the presidency, Seawolves for Change also swept the Senate, winning 15 out of 16 seats. One such Senator who ran on the Seawolves for Change Party, sophomore chemical and engineering major Kathryn Michaud will be a senator from the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences. Michaud said that she feels "honored to have the opportunity to further help make decisions that will improve our school."

Also on the ballot was whether or not the Student Activity Fee would be mandatory for students, as it currently is, or voluntary. If the Student Activity Fee became voluntary, USG and clubs would lose a great deal of funding, as no one would be forced to support USG, which distributes funds to clubs. Proponents of the Student Activity Fee made the point that it is the Student Activity Fee that supports USG and clubs and contribute to the campus community. The Student Activity Fee will remain mandatory after passing by 157 votes.



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# NEWS

## Q&A with new USG President Anna Lubitz

**Q.** So first, can you tell me a bit about some of the plans for USG now that you're president?

**A.** Now that I'm President I hope to see more events on campus, more bigger, bolder events hosted by USG. I know that we have the end of the year concert, but, one aspiration that I have for USG is maybe to have semester concerts to get the community excited about, "well what's gonna happen at the end of the semester?" I also want to incorporate more weekend life events to make. I know Stony Brook has the name of being a "suitcase school." However, I want Stony Brook students to feel engaged on the weekend as well, through USG events and activities.

**Q.** What are some of the problems in USG that you think could be addressed this coming semester?

**A.** Ultimately, communication. I feel like it's very important to reach out to the students, why I think Stony Brook University as a whole needs to have its students more involved and, through effective communication, I think

that we can get students to say, "Yes. This is what happened at Stony Brook. I was involved with this. I had a say in this."

And also with regard to clubs and organizations, I'm a senator right now, and when I was going through budget hearings and a lot of clubs and organizations mentioned that they didn't have certain emails and notifications that were pertinent for their budget deadline. I think that by increasing communication and, again, reaching out to clubs and organizations, making sure that they know what's going on in USG that would be the best plan possible.

I feel that if we increase town hall meetings, to be multiple, more so than they are right now, then clubs and organizations will have the opportunity to come and speak to the executive council and say, "This is what we need. How can we go about making this plan come true?"

Ultimately, I would also like to send out more surveys to the campus, not so much the boring type of survey, "Oh, click this," but make it more interactive and engaging for students to say, "Okay, yes, this is very interesting." I know for the end

of the year concert, not a lot of students knew who was coming to the campus and I, personally, as president, I would like to implement something where students can have a say in who they would like to see at the end of the year concert.

**Q.** Okay, so I know there has been talk about raising the Student Activity Fee to \$100. What do you think about that?

**A.** There are pros and cons to everything. I think that if it is raised, then clubs and organizations will have more money to enhance their activities and their events on campus, but then again, it is coming out of students' tuition. They're paying more money for that.

I know that the margin for the Student Activity Fee right now was very close to the vote but it did end up becoming mandatory. But I feel that it's important for that to become mandatory, because without the Student Activity Fee, there'll be no USG; there'll be no clubs and organizations overall. And I think clubs and organizations are very very important on the campus because it makes Stony Brook University



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**USG President-elect Anna Lubitz received 905 votes.**

a diverse campus, and different from any other university because we have such a large majority of clubs and organizations; we have over 300 and that's what makes us different. It makes us stand out, and I think that's very very important and it builds a closer community as well.

**Q.** So you are going into your junior year next year. Do you know this is looking beyond—but do you think you would run for another term as president, or do

you just think it's gonna kind of be a one-year deal?

**A.** Yes. I cannot say for sure right now. My plans, I might be graduating a year early, so everything depends on that, and I mean I would love to run a second term, if possible, but then again I'm not sure where my school career might be taking me.

**Q.** What are some of your plans

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## Behind the scenes of the USG election process

By Alexa Gorman  
Online Editor

Stony Brook University's Undergraduate Student Government held elections last week. Polls were open April 16-20, but the campaign process is more than just putting one's name on a ballot.

### The Setup

Campaigning does not begin with a poster design or a catchy slogan. The eight-week process begins with the Elections Board. The Elections Board holds an informational meeting—usually at the end of January—to inform prospective candidates and answer questions. The guidelines for campaigning are established and from there candidates are on their own.

According to Elections Board Chairman Jillian Genco, candidates must submit a letter of intent with a platform statement within three days of the informational meeting.

"The platform statement is what will appear on SOLAR," Genco said. "So, when people are voting, they'll be able to see what [the candidate] stands for."

Typically students include leadership skills, past positions, and major areas within USG that they would like to change, according to Genco.

After the paperwork is approved by the Elections Board, each candidate receives a petitioning packet with signature slots. In

order to run, candidates need a quota of signatures to prove to the board that they have a substantial chance of being elected.

The Executive Council—President, Vice President, and Treasurer—candidates need a minimum of 600 signatures. Candidates running for the other "VP" positions need 400 signatures; class representatives and senators need 100 signatures.

"We recommend [class reps and senator candidates] get more than 100 signatures because they need to be validated," Genco said. "If one of the signatures is not valid and [the candidate] only has 100, then they are disqualified."

She said that many candidates have problems getting accurate information from students when they sign the form. The student needs to include their full name, net ID, phone number and signature.

"A lot of people will put their SOLAR ID where the Net ID is supposed to go, and that's an issue because it doesn't count as a signature."

Ten percent of the contacts on each petition are contacted by the Elections Board in order to check the validity of each petitioner's packet. After the candidates' packets are deemed valid, electioneering begins.

Candidates have a broad-spectrum for campaigning. According to the USG Bylaws, there are no limits on campaigning as long as the Elections Board approves it, but there are

restrictions on where parties and candidates can campaign.

All flyers must be posted in accordance with campus rules and nothing can be distributed or posted within 100 feet of a Sinc Site. Campaigning is not permitted in the USG Suite of the Student Activities Center or at any USG sponsored event. Since voting is done through SOLAR, any computing site on campus is considered a polling place.

"People have been asking, 'Can I bring my laptop around and ask people to vote?'" Genco said. "[The Elections Board] looked in the USG Code and it says that no electronic device can be affiliated with a candidate, so that answers that question."

Genco will be a member of the Elections Board for the next two years, this being her second semester. It is her first time being in charge of the board and there are many things she wishes to change next year.

"Unfortunately, [the elections portion of the USG Code] was not written by the Elections Board," she said. "There are some rules that are just ridiculous ... and some that are so vague." In order to clarify and fix the issues, Genco would like to start by getting a group of dedicated members. "I hope that next year [the board] will have a solid group of people ... and once we have this group we'll be able to approach the Senate and say we need to reform these bylaws because we don't agree with them."

One example of the vagueness

in the code has to do with the party affiliations. "This election is dominated by parties, and there's almost nothing in the code about them. There needs to be clarification because right now there's maybe one line about them."

### SUP Seawolves 4 Change, are you SAFE?

The Students United Party (SUP), Seawolves 4 Change and Students Actively Fighting for Equality (SAFE) are the three major parties this election round.

Each party is formed by candidates. According to the USG Code, "All Party Coalitions shall be granted a Charter by the Elections Board, upon submission of Bylaws for such Party Coalition, which shall expire at the end of the semester in which the Charter was granted."

Kenneth Meyers was a part of the SUP Party before he co-created SAFE.

"I left [SUP] because I realized in the first meeting that I didn't know anyone," Meyers said. "I wasn't comfortable running with people I didn't know anything about."

Meyers hesitated to join a party in the first place because he does not agree with the ideas behind them.

"I hate undergraduate parties," he said, "because almost everyone has the same viewpoint, and it becomes us versus them, and oh, I just want to use these people to get as many votes as possible."

Juan Pablo Cordon, presidential

candidate, has a similar view on the party system. He is the only Executive Board candidate to run un-affiliated.

"It worked both ways because there wasn't really a party for me to join and I didn't really look to join [any party]," Cordon said. "I don't want to have to owe people favors and have to work with the parties. It's a new stand point and I'm coming in fresh ... without people telling me what to think."

Sophia Marsh of the SUP party is the only candidate for Vice President of Communications, but she thinks that parties are a crucial part of the election process.

"The whole idea of the Students United Party is people not just from one area—it's a very diverse group," Marsh said. "There are groups that are very polarized, but our group has members from every possible club and we're all friends outside [of the party] and get along really well."

One goal all candidates seem to have in common is the need for change—to weed out rumored corruption and make USG more efficient and transparent to the student body.

### Looking Ahead

In addition to choosing next year's USG membership, voters decided to keep the Student Activity Fee mandatory with a final vote of 1120-963.

New members of USG now must decide, "If you had \$3.1 million, what would you do with it?"



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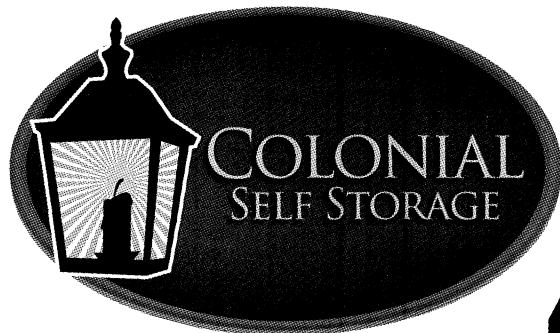


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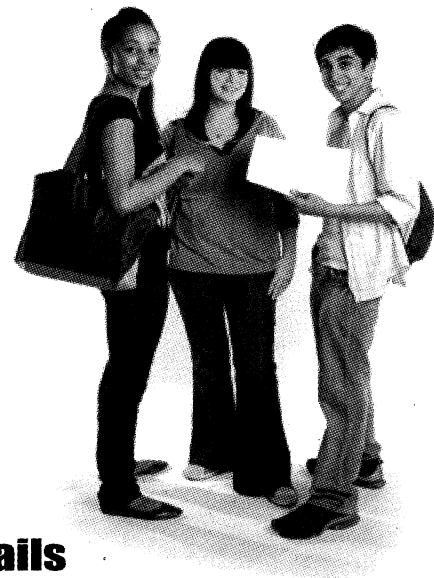
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# Maria Ryan gives patients a reason to smile

By Avesta Khursand  
Contributing Writer

Dr. Maria Emanuel Ryan's patient lies back in the dental chair, looking relaxed, as Ryan examines her teeth. Oldies music plays in the background. The two women chat comfortably, their talk shifting between the dental treatment of scaling, a form of deep cleaning, and the everyday happenings in both their lives. When it is the patient's turn to speak, Ryan removes the instruments from her mouth. It is the type of experience a person might expect to have with her hairdresser, not her dentist. But then, Ryan is more than a dentist.

Ryan treats patients with periodontal disease at the Stony Brook dental clinic, is a tenured full professor in the School of Dental Medicine, serves as the dental school's associate dean for strategic planning and external affairs, is on the medical staff at Stony Brook University Medical Center and serves on several advisory boards, such as Colgate-Palmolive Company. Her most important contribution to science, her colleagues say, is her research on oral health and its link to chronic diseases, such as diabetes and heart disease.

"She is the new dentist who can chew gum and walk at the same time," said Dr. Lorne Golub, a distinguished professor who is Ryan's colleague in the Department of Oral Biology and Pathology. Golub is also one of Ryan's mentors. Her interest starts at the basic level with the patient Golub said, then extends

to the University, the broader science community, and lastly to the issues of global health said Golub.

Ryan, 48, lives in Laurel Hollow with her husband Charles Ryan, and their 6-year-old son. She welcomes visitors and people who need her attention. She appears calm and unhurried, yet when constantly attending lectures and conferences, she jets around the country and the world. She is always running late.

During an interview at her office, where family photos give a picture of her personal life and stacks of paper are found on the floor, she talked about the one thing she enjoys the most about her job.

"Knowledge transfer is my favorite," Ryan said, "translating research into practice." She regularly lectures to healthcare providers about the link between diabetes and periodontal disease and encourages collaboration between dentists and all health care providers.

Some of Ryan's patients travel a long distance to see her. One patient, a 75-year-old woman, has been coming from Manhattan for treatment for the past 20 years. "There was an unfortunate time when Dr. Ryan wanted to give up her practice," said the woman, who requested to remain anonymous. "Subsequently I asked her to reconsider." The woman said Ryan is very attentive to her patients and once interrupted a ski vacation to return the woman's non-emergency call.

Ryan's role on the campus

allows her to build bridges within the community. "She has the ability to link the dental school to other fields," Golub said. As associate dean for strategic



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Dr. Maria Emanuel Ryan

planning, she is working on moving the dental school from its current location on the main campus to the Health Sciences Center, where faculty and students can interact with their colleagues in other health fields, Golub said, "Nothing was being done before that, and we were stuck here."

Ryan's colleagues and mentors respect her ability to get things done. "She is like a laser beam when she is very interested in doing something," said Israel Kleinberg, a distinguished professor and director of the Division of Translational Oral Biology. Moving the dental school closer to other Health Sciences Schools is crucial for the type of research that Ryan does.

Ryan believes that the dentist is the physician of the mouth and needs to work with the regular physician for the overall health of the patient.

Ryan was the first dentist at Stony Brook to perform research on the link between type II diabetes and periodontal disease, Golub said. Others had done research on type I diabetes, but type II diabetes was more difficult and needed more participation and follow up with the patients. "Ryan was able to convince other professionals of the importance of this issue," Golub said. "Type I was easy, but Maria was willing to work with the type II diabetes patients, wanted to put hours and hours of work into looking into the type I."

Ryan's interest in type II diabetes stems from her personal life. Her father died from complications of diabetes three years ago. Ryan, who grew up in Bayside, Queens, was one of three children and was very close to her father, according to her mother Athena Emmanuel. Her father wanted her to receive the best education and paid for her to attend Barnard College at Columbia University, where she received her bachelor's degree. "Her father said, 'I would spend the last dollar I ever made so long as you take care of yourself.' This sank in her head," Emmanuel said.

Ryan herself was away at a conference, as she often is, her mother said. "Sometimes I wish she would slow down."

Emmanuel speaks very fondly of her son-in-law, Charles Ryan,

who is a Senior Vice President, Chief Intellectual Property Counsel at Forest Laboratories. He has a Ph.D. in oral biology and pathology, as well as a law degree. They met in dental school at Stony Brook.

"I met Maria in class. She cleaned my teeth, two for one, cute girl cleaning my teeth," Charles said. "I asked her girlfriend if she was single. She said, 'Maria broke up with her boyfriend on Friday, and I would not wait to ask her out, because she is never alone.'"

Their first date was the following Monday, and they were engaged six weeks later, Charles Ryan said. When Maria told her parents, they did not believe her, and her father walked out of the room. "Your parents acted very strange," Charles said to Maria, "Maria said, 'Well, I have done this before.' She had been engaged twice before and had broken the second engagement off right before the wedding. On the wedding day, Maria was late showing up at the church. "My husband got nervous and he thought I was not going to show up, but the limo took us to the wrong church," Maria said.

"Maria can't manage paper. She has two offices full of paper. She moves into an office and fills it with paper and abandons it," her husband said. Maria overbooks and commits to many things, so she can never be on time. "She is always late for everything. She arrives for her flights five minutes before a plane takes off," Golub said.

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## Solution for grant controversy

By Margaret Randall  
Staff Writer

An ad-hoc committee created by the Undergraduate Student Government has come up with a partial solution to the controversy of the National Tournament Grant, which has been found by the senate to be unconstitutional.

The committee, consisting of senators David Adams, Corey Platt and Nicholas Ela, was unable to present its findings at last Thursday's senate meeting due to time constraints but did publish them in the April 19 USG agenda.

The committee voted 2-1, with Adams opposing, to "create a National Event Grant that is open to all clubs, with different criteria than normal Event Grants," according to its statement. The system of event grants has not been finalized.

Platt said they are "still trying to figure some of the details involved and what defines national." The committee will be meeting Monday to come up with a final proposal. The committee met with representatives from several

clubs when making their decision.

The committee agreed that the "National" part of the grant must be defined in terms of size, scale or reputation and that each club should receive a limit of one National Event Grant a semester.

Each grant has a maximum of \$3,500-\$4,000, has maximum amounts for specific expenses and will fund a maximum of 80 percent of the trip.

Adams said he voted against creating the grant because he thought there did not need to be a special grant for national events and creating one would tie up the Senate.

The other options the committee had were to have everything covered by event grants and have all funding placed in the clubs' line budgets.

"They had three options," Women's Soccer president Kathryn Michaud said. "The first one was the only one that would have been beneficial. The other two options would cause a lot of problems. The first option needs to have a few things changed though."

The funding for the Grant would come from USG's annual rollover budget, which is usually around \$200,000, according to USG Treasurer Thomas Kirnbauer.

Numerous members of sport clubs and other clubs came to protest at the USG office last month, when the motion to strike the National Tournament Grant was proposed by Senator Jason Sockin.

The argument against the current grant was that its wording limited the National Tournament Grant to sport clubs, which violates the USG constitution by having separate funding criteria for different clubs.

"I do not agree on funding of up to 80 percent of the total cost," said men's soccer President Derek Cope, who attended the Thursday meeting, "because the cost can still be substantial." He also said the funding amount should be about \$1,500 greater.

"I agree that there should be a National Event Grant," Cope said, "so that there is no preferential treatment."

## SoMAS gets money for projects

By Emily McTavish  
Contributing Writer

Stony Brook researchers at the School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences and Department of Ecology and Evolution have swept five out of the nine projects to be funded with a part of the \$2.4 million from the New York Sea Grant for the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

"NYSG has begun a new round of nine funded research projects which address critical coastal concerns from diverse regions of the state: the Lake Ontario shoreline, the Hudson estuary, and New York Harbor, and both the north and south shores of Long Island," NYSG Director James Ammerman said in a press release earlier this month.

The researchers at SBU are excited. "It's great to start a new research project," Dr. Robert Cerrato, an associate professor at SoMAS who has been sponsored by NYSG, said in an email.

Cerrato will be starting a project to look into the effects of red tide blooms on clam production for commercial

use, according to the press release. His research will be used by coastal managers at the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and shellfish growers and harvesters.

Other SBU professors that are to be a part of research projects with the NYSG include Nicholas Fisher, Malcolm Bowman, Michael Frisk, Stephen Baines and Christopher Gobler.

In order to receive money from the NYSG, the SBU professors went through rigorous anonymous peer and panel reviews of their grant proposals. "Individuals at SoMAS...have a long history of successfully competing for Sea Grant funding," Cerrato said in an email.

NYSG has been sponsoring efforts and research to promote "the coastal economic vitality, environmental sustainability and citizen awareness and understanding about the State's marine and Great Lakes resources," according to the NYSG website.

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# Club Seeks Organ Donors on Campus

By Nina Lin  
Staff Writer

Did you know that becoming an organ donor takes less than two minutes? Professor Scott Smolka does. And so do his students in his LDS102 course on organ donation.

It was this class that marched around Stony Brook University last Wednesday, in their sixth annual Donate for Life Walk around campus.

Students of Smolka and other student volunteers wore their "Change 4 Life" shirts, marched around campus and handed out donor registry enrollment forms.

It was a student-fueled attempt to recruit more donors in response to a fast-growing need for kidneys, eyes, hearts and tissues.

"There are 113,000 people that are on the waiting list for an organ each year," said Smolka, who was a heart recipient eight years ago. "Twenty-eight people die every day because of the organ shortage."

The walk was a joint effort of Smolka's class, the New York Organ Donor Network and the newly reinstated Organ Donor Awareness Club (ODAC) at SBU.

ODAC had already been established with the Undergraduate Student Government before it was disbanded due to a lack of student participation, according to club president Seth Kimble. And now, it has been reestablished to spread donation awareness across campus again.

Misconceptions and ignorance are the biggest obstacles to solving the donor shortage, and the Donate for Life Walk was a means to combat them.

Cassandra Pineda, a representative from the New York Organ Donor Network, explains that most religions consider organ donation a good deed.

The only exception is the Japanese Shinto religion, which considers organs donated from



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**Students marched around the Stony Brook campus on Wednesday, April 16, to recruit new organ donors.**

a corpse unpure. But for all other religions, she said, organ donation should not pose as an unethical practice.

Despite that, the walk didn't prove very popular with the student body. While Kimble notes that many students have, indeed, signed up to be New York State organ donors, the walk's verbal feedback was less than positive.

"I'd like to keep both my kidneys, thanks," said a passing student, when asked if she would like to be an organ donor.

The ODAC's e-board attributes such negative responses to misconceptions on organ donation, one of which was a doctor's supposed likelihood to prematurely end a donor's life for their organs.

But according to ODAC Vice President Cooper Swenson, "doctors don't know if you're an organ donor or not. They take an oath to save all lives. So yeah, that's a misconception."

The ODAC also employs

Jaicy Kim, Carolina Martinez, and Leora Youssefzadeh as its secretary, treasurer and events coordinator, respectively.

With Kimble and Swenson, they comprise of an all-freshman e-board for the club. All e-board members are also organ donors of their home state.

For Kimble, it is the apathetic behavior of viable donors that drives his efforts into spreading awareness to their fellow students.

"We've asked people if they were willing to donate organs, and they said no," Kimble said. "Then we asked them, if they needed an organ, would they take one? And they said yes. That's hypocrisy."

But for Kim, it is the need to be involved that drives her efforts in both Smolka's LDS course and in her role in ODAC.

"It's not just an easy A," Kim said. "It's being informed, and it's being involved."

"Bottom line?" she said. "Donate."

# NY Sea Grant

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NYSG is the largest of the college programs through the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The administrative and communications offices for NYSG are located at SBU, but the NYSG programs are a partnership between the State University New York and Cornell University according to the NYSG website.

"New York Sea Grant has been around for over 40 years and is an important regional resource, not only because of its support of research, but also because of its education and extension work," Cerrato said in an email.

The projects by NYSG are often collaborative studies between SUNY campuses as well as Cornell University. "Because we have all these professors ... working together, it goes to the greater good," said Barbara Branca, the NYSG communications manager.

Branca also stressed NYSG's importance as New York is a part of the Great Lakes network, northeast network and mid-Atlantic network. New York

has 3,400 miles of diverse coastlines, according to the NYSG website. Many of the coastal areas in New York share the same concerns and problems with other states that the NYSG and other Sea Grant programs work to address.

"That's the beauty of the Sea Grant network...the collaboration is really, really key," Branca said.

The NYSG also has a large Sea Grant Scholars program which allows professors to bring graduate and undergraduate students into their projects to assist, learn and do their own research.

"In those 40 years, we've spent about \$40 million on grad students furthering their education and research. Then they become the next generation of scientists and researchers," Branca said.

Gobler, who has received money from NYSG, was once a part of the Sea Grant Scholar program, according to Branca.

"[The NYSG] is among the most successful in the nation at educating the next generation of marine scientists," Gobler said.

# Food truck and coffee among changes to campus dining

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novelty pops for \$3.50 and bottled drinks for \$2.00.

The changes will continue next semester as well. California Pizza Kitchen at Roth Food Court will no longer be here in the fall. The Meal Plan Resolutions Committee is discussing replacement possibilities.

Another campus initiative to offer a different dining experience to students was Farm to Fork.

For the week of April 16 to 20, Roth, the Union and Kelly were sourced by local farmers. As part of Earthstock celebrations, the food was prepared from ingredients originating within a 150-mile radius of Stony Brook.

MoGo Chef will remain on campus until the end of the spring semester, and the FSA is "actively soliciting feedback before making a decision about next semester," according to Agnello.

In regards to whether or not the truck returns, Coraci said that he would like to see MoGo Chef become a permanent fixture on campus.

"Naturally, we want to stay on campus for the long-term and hope that is what the students want," Agnello said.

Prices at MoGo Chef range from \$2.50 for items like jumbo chocolate chip cookies to \$10, for items like cheese

steak heroes. Options like a Middle Eastern chick pea salad, \$4, and a smashed onion burger, \$7, are also available.

Coraci said in an email that he and his wife are in touch with what young people want, as they have two college-aged children.

"We did countless hours of research and focused our menu on what people like best," Coraci said in an email interview. "Since we have been in business for over a year, we have had some time to test market our full menu, making adjustments, adding new items, while eliminating others."

The truck originally operated weekdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. but has already expanded hours to 8 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays to serve breakfast options like buttermilk whole wheat pancakes with fresh fruit and whipped cream.

"We are gradually increasing our hours of operation as the students become more familiar with our presence," Coraci said.

Coraci has a background in marketing and has implemented his knowledge into the design of the business to appeal to students. Besides Square Up, MoGo Chef has QR code stickers—barcode-like images that can be scanned by smartphones—and a phone number for customers to text which sign them up for alerts about special offers and promotions.



**The new Organ Donor Awareness Club (ODAC) joined the New York Organ Donor Network and an LDS 102 class in the sixth annual Donate for Life Walk.**



# ALS Center gets huge donation

By Philly Bubaris  
Staff Writer

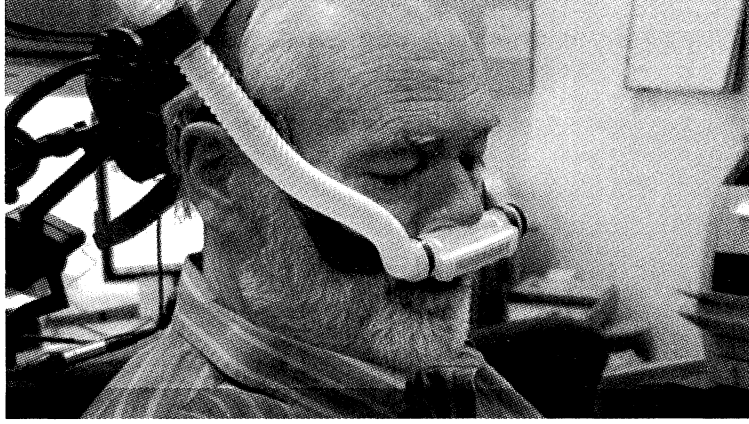
There is no cure for the horror that is Lou Gehrig's Disease, but now, hope may be riding to the rescue at Stony Brook University.

The Ride for Life organization is donating \$500,000 to Stony Brook's Christopher Pendergast ALS Center of Excellence. The Simons Challenge Grant will match the generous donation, making the total impact \$1 million to help fund clinical research.

"This is absolutely huge," Patricia Coyle, acting chair of the Department of Neurology at Stony Brook Hospital, said.

Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or ALS, wastes away a person's nervous system, leaving a conscious human in need of nonstop medical attention. ALS gained public attention when the Yankee's great first baseman, Lou Gehrig, was diagnosed in 1938.

Christopher Pendergast was diagnosed with ALS at age 44 and said his life changed in the blink of an eye. "I went from being on top of the world, great family, wonderful teaching career and living the good life, in a moment, to having the world on top of me, pushing



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**Stony Brook's Christopher Pendergast has battled amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) for 19 years.**

me down."

But he vowed to spend the rest of his life helping others who are victims of this fatal disease. The lack of research made him feel angry, which compelled him to try to help other families from going through what he has gone through with his family.

"You can be part of the problem, or you can choose to be part of the solution," he said.

Fifteen years ago, he was one of the founders of the Ride for Life organization and was a major force behind the opening of the ALS clinic at Stony Brook. The organization gets its name from an annual event when patients ride their power wheel chairs down highways to raise funds for a cure and create

awareness.

Dr. Coyle promised Pendergast that in five years, there will be original research being evaluated in the ALS center.

"I think clearly he is making a big leap of faith putting a lot of trust in us at Stony Brook and we certainly aren't going to let him down," Coyle said. [FP1]

Last year, Ride for Life placed 6,000 pinwheels in the ground to represent the people who die each year of ALS. This year, on June 2, 16 doves will be released to represent the spirit of the 16 people that die everyday from ALS.

"And those doves will soar up to heaven, carrying our hope," Pendergast said.

# Dr. Maria Ryan gives patients a reason to smile

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Ryan's greatest strength that most everyone around her speaks of is her ability to speak in public.

"If she asked what she should do if she could only do one thing, I would say public speaking," a colleague, Stephen Walker, said. "She blossoms when interacting with people. She is not good in solitude."

Ryan has traveled around the world to speak about her latest research on the link between periodontal disease and diabetes.

Diabetes is growing rapidly and is an epidemic in some countries like China, India and Australia, Ryan said.

If left untreated, periodontal disease can increase the risk for developing diabetes.

On the other hand, people with uncontrolled diabetes have an increased risk for developing periodontal disease.

"It's sort of a vicious cycle," Ryan said. "Periodontal disease is the most common chronic

inflammatory disease in the world, and yet it's an often silent disease. Many people are not aware they have the disease."

"She was fortunate to have the influence of Golub and Kleinberg," Charles Ryan said. "They are both different; Golub on discovering drugs, Kleinberg's focus is on non-pharmaceutical discoveries. Ryan is interested in both and is the bridge between both."

Ryan's ultimate goal is to be part of the change that brings oral health to a different platform.

Most of her colleagues agree that she is the only individual that can move forward and get the participation of all of the people that offer something unique to meet her goal, and that's what makes her the most exceptional person.

"The primary goal is to disseminate the message to the public and to ensure that the new findings are incorporated into the educational process." Ryan said.



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# Small club event grows into a campus tradition

Students and faculty are always eager to participate in the Stony Brook tradition of Earthstock. But many are unaware of the history of this event that led it to become a red-hot tradition.

Earthstock officially began in April 2000 and was founded by a small group of passionate and enthusiastic students who were part of the Environmental Club at the time, according to Jeff Barnett, Administrative Co-Chair of Earthstock.

These students strived to inform others about environmental sustainability and global warming. When Earthstock first began, it was a small event, which included a few tables displaying educational literature.

This event continued to grow and was soon taken on by the President's office, Barnett said. This initiative provided the funding needed to turn Earthstock into a large campus festival.

"In 2007, the Office of the Dean of Students assumed responsibility and Earthstock has grown even further to become an award winning, week-long series of events featuring over 30 educational programs, while continuing to grow the signature event, the Friday Earthstock festival," Barnett said.

A variety of programs are offered throughout the week including film screenings, a farmer's market, lectures from distinguished speakers, panel presentations, a great debate, four music concerts and two student research exhibitions.

Earthstock is recognized as an outstanding program by the State University of New York (SUNY) and Long Island Council of Student Personnel Administration (LICSPA).

This event has also been featured in regional media such as Newsday and the Herald Times, according to the Stony Brook Earthstock website.

But these awards and recognitions would not have been possible without the amount of time and effort that goes into the planning for this event from both faculty and students.

According to Professor Malcolm J. Bowman, Academic Co-Chair of this event, the Earthstock committee starts the preparations sometime in the beginning of January.

"We are big on trying to articulate what we are doing as a university in a display format," James T. O'Connor, representative of the Office of Sustainability, said, when asked about the preparations for Earthstock, "so that when students, faculty and staff visit our tables, they can take a look at a board really quickly and see what we are doing in the Office of Sustainability. This is a challenge that involves many people to work on."



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**A fresh vegetable stand at Earthstock.**



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**Earthstock started as a small student-run event in 2000 by the Environmental Club.**

According to Jeff Barnett, throughout the years that Earthstock has taken place, one of the most significant events has been a panel discussion. This discussion featured and honored four Stony Brook faculty members who shared the Nobel Peace Prize with Al Gore. These faculty members received the opportunity to serve on the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

One of these members, Minghua Zhang, currently serves as the Dean of the School of Marine and Atmospheric sciences.

In 2009, Stony Brook University's first vegetable oil-powered bus received a name after Earthstock's "Name this Bus" contest.

O'Connor said he felt that this contest was one of the most significant events in the history of Earthstock and said that they chose a winner by picking a name out of a hat. After receiving 535 entries, the name that was chosen was "The Kernel."

As for the future of Earthstock, Barnett said that corporate sponsorship of this event has grown and there is always a chance to land a major level gift or sponsorship. This kind of opportunity would turn Earthstock into a major weekend festival that would draw people from all around the Tri-State area.

"I could envision, connected to this, a major outdoor concert," Barnett said.

When Professor Malcolm J. Bowman was asked what he sees in the future of Earthstock he said, "We want to keep developing the serious side to Earthstock—how best to care for and preserve Mother Earth!"

He also explained that he would like to see more departments, students and faculty involved in strengthening the week-long program of Earthstock.



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**The drum circle was one of the highlights of the Earthstock festival on Friday.**

## Q&A with new USG President Anna Lubitz

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specifically for student life and government at the school?

**A.** Well, for student life, ultimately, I want to have students engaged. And I want them to feel that this can be their second home and there's something always to do on campus and to make USG known and raise awareness about it from a government perspective because a lot of students don't know what USG stands for. And it's kind of saddening because we're their voice for the representation. And I think that, ultimately, by having more events and activities hosted by USG, then we can ultimately raise awareness and say, "Yes, that happened at USG,

and I'm a proud student of Stony Brook University."

**Q.** And yes for the more government side of it, the senate, what kind of thing do you have?

**A.** Ultimately, I would like senators, during their office hours, to go out and actually talk to the students.

I know we're required, as senators, four hours, two in-office hours doing business and then two senate-related, and I think that ultimately, if somehow senators can go out and actually speak to the students and what they want to see on campus, then we can get more feedback and bring that to the senate table and say, "Yes, these are the students' needs and concerns. Let's put this toward

action because this is what they want to see. This is their school, and we're their voice."

**Q.** Do you think you'll continue with the other things you did on campus. I know you're part of a lot of clubs and you sing at a lot of major events. So, can you do that, even as president?

**A.** Yes. I would love to continue singing because that's one of my hobbies, and it's good release for me, so with athletics, I would love to sing national anthems more.

But with other clubs and organizations, presidency for USG is my first priority and students' voice, that's ultimate right now, other things I will remain in contact with, but again, as I said, presidency is number

one, and that's my major concern and priority right now.

**Q.** Is it true that you're not gonna take compensation for being president?

**A.** Well, I know I posted that as my Facebook status and if I'm able to, not to, but I don't know what the legalities are of it right now, but I would personally like to use and put that toward clubs and organizations.

**Q.** Do you think senators should be paid the amount they are now?

**A.** Well, senators were paid—we actually voted on this—\$75 and then we decreased that to about \$60 because, again, USG is

a service.

You know you shouldn't run for it because you're getting paid. You should be doing it because you actually care about the community and students and their voices.

But overall I think that you do put a lot of hours, a lot of work into it and some students may say that, "oh well it's a job because I'm putting so much work into it," but then again, if you truly care about what you're doing, then money shouldn't matter in the end.

**Q.** Do you have anything else to add?

**A.** Well I'm very very happy to be Stony Brook University's USG president and thank you for electing me.



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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Earthstock Festival delights and informs Stony Brook

By Will Rhino  
Assistant Arts & Entertainment Editor

The green and blue flags were waving in the breeze. A thousand red ducks made their way down the fountain and students were walking the academic mall learning about the environment; Stony Brook's annual Earthstock festival was well underway.

Earthstock is Stony Brook's weeklong event involving numerous panels, lectures and workshops designed to inform the campus community of the current trends and scientific breakthroughs regarding the environment and sustainability.

The week's seminars culminated in the Earthstock Festival on Friday, which featured big events like live music from Long Island's renowned cover band Peat Moss and the Fertilizers, the annual rubber duck race and the ceremony to encourage students to take the Green Pledge, which encourages students and faculty to be aware of what is happening in the environment.

Scattered throughout the festival were much smaller events to keep people busy. There was ice sculpture carving, an ice cream social and little shops selling things ranging from food to soap. There was, however, a much more serious tone to the

festival if everything available was taken into account. The day was set up to encourage people to have fun, but those who attended should have also been thinking about what is happening in the world and relating it back to campus. There was one exhibit that had garbage bags full of takeout containers equal to the amount that the Student Activities Center goes through every day when preparing meals.

These types of displays are meant to enlighten people about what is happening on campus. One organization attempting to do the same is Stony Brook's environmental club.

In regard to Earthstock, the environmental club organizes the Do It In the Dark concert. The concert occurs a few hours the festival ends and takes place at Roth Pond. It is a specific activity designed by the club, and is a part of the Earthstock festivities.

The environmental club features many events both on and off campus to help the environment. It hosts campus clean-ups, and its major event in the fall is the Hallogreen party. They also have a stuff swap event. This event has every participant bring something to trade with someone else, utilizing the "one man's trash is another's man treasure" motto.

Senior environmental studies major Christine Peralte, the public relations officer for the environmental club, said that the main goal of the club is to "spread awareness whenever we can." Along with these events, the club also has one major issue it tries to raise awareness on each year. "We want this university to be greener," Peralte said. That is why the club has one specific focus each year. Last year it was plastic water bottles, and this year it is plastic bags. The club also has "rallies when the need arises," Peralte said.

The club does not just stay on campus either. "We do nature walks, beach clean-ups, hiking trips and camping trips," Peralte said. The club also participated in a rally against hydrofracking in upstate New York. Hydrofracking is a process used to obtain natural gases under the surface of the earth using water and chemicals at high pressures to force the gases up. It can often leave the area's ground water polluted, among other undesired environmental side effects.

The club's missions do somewhat overlap with the goals of Earthstock. It is why some members of the environmental club are on the board for Earthstock. However, with all the fun that happens, it is conceivable to think that the festival has turned more into a fun campus tradition instead of an event to raise environmental awareness. Regardless, Peralte does believe the message the festival sends still gets across to the students, faculty and local community members who attend.

"There are certain things that do get people to think, like the scavenger hunt and events to get people to measure their carbon foot print. They do become aware of everything available to them," Peralte said.

With all the environmental groups present, from Stony Brook's environmental club to the Sierra Club, it really is hard to miss the message that people need to become more aware of the environment.

With everything that happens on the Academic Mall during the festival, it is no surprise how Earthstock has become one of the campus' most enjoyed traditions while still maintaining and spreading the message of having an earth-conscious attitude.

### What was your favorite attraction at this year's Earthstock?



**Jon Block**  
sophomore, music

I just sort of passed by. I liked the organic food. It was pretty cool.

**Sunjung Kim**  
freshman,  
psychology

I liked the snakes. I also got the organic sunflower seeds because they were free.



**Nick Steel**  
junior,  
environmental  
science

Peat Moss and the Fertilizers were amazing. The best band I've seen in a long time. The best cover band ever. The jazz band was really good, too.



**Saket Ati**  
freshman, computer  
engineering

I liked the booth where you had to differentiate between what was compostable and what wasn't. I actually learned something from it.



**Verna Solomon**  
freshman, biology

I liked how there was free bracelets and free food. I thought it really drew people in.



**Alvin Qin**  
junior, computer  
science

My favorite thing was the music. The cover band Peat Moss and the Fertilizers were great.



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Students frolicking in the fountain in front of the Humanities building (bottom) and a photo of the annual rubber duck race (top).

Compiled by:  
Emily Heller & Nicole Bansen



# It takes two to tango

There were students, professors, advisors, hall directors, a red team, a blue team, graceful moves, sharp moves, lifts, glimmering costumes and free ice cream, provided by Dean Stein, under the beating sun during campus lifetime on Wednesday, April 18 at Staller. The Ballroom Dance Team hosted its annual "Dancing with the SBU Stars" event in front of the packed Staller Steps.

Seven members of the Ballroom Dance Team partnered up with faculty members to practice and perform one of four ballroom dance styles: tango, mambo, foxtrot and cha cha on either the red or blue team. Four sets of partners were on each team and wore costumes that matched their respective colors. Mimicking ABC's "Dancing with the Stars," there were two emcees and three judges.

"Having Chris Murray and John Leddy as emcees was wonderful," junior information systems major Yelena Mirsakova, president of the Ballroom Dance Team, said. "Our judges, Chris Muller, Dean DiMonda and Randy Thomas all had great enthusiasm and made wonderful judges." After the tallying of the votes, the blue team came out victorious.

Compiled by: Jaclyn Lattanza

## Dance 1: Tango

Song: "Tango de Roxanne"

Dancer: Laura Morella (senior, sociology & Spanish double major)

**Jaclyn Lattanza (JL):** What have your dance experiences been like before and during your time at Stony Brook?

**Laura Morella (LM):** I've been a dancer since I was a little girl, doing ballet, tap, jazz. I've always been into musical theatre dance as well. Before coming to Stony Brook, I had been ballroom dancing for about two years, so I was really excited when I learned we had a ballroom dance team.

**JL:** How did you and your partner prepare for the competition?

**LM:** My partner and I practiced a lot for this event. I will say, though, that he did learn the entire dance sequence during our first practice, which was fantastic!

**JL:** What feelings do you experience before and during a performance in front of all your fellow students?

**LM:** Before performing at Dancing with the SBU Stars 2012, or any on-campus event, I will admit that I always have butterflies in my stomach, but I'm always excited to perform. During the performance, I like to connect with the audience and give them the best performance I can.

**JL:** What did you enjoy the most about the competition?

**LM:** My favorite part of Dancing with the SBU Stars was when the blue team won. As a dancer on the blue team, and as a senior participating in my last Dancing with the SBU Stars, it was a great way to finish my dancing career at Stony Brook.

**Star: Mike Lawson (Residence Hall Director of West 2 Apartments)**

**JL:** What was going through your mind while you were performing on stage?

**ML:** Don't drop Laura. Don't drop Laura.

**JL:** What were the greatest challenges you had to face?

**ML:** I bruised a bone on the bottom of my foot last week, and it was pretty painful at times.

**JL:** What did you enjoy the most about the competition?

**ML:** Seeing everyone's routine. All the students on the Ballroom Dance Team do an amazing job of choreographing and teaching, so it was a lot of fun to see what each pair brought to the stage.



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## Dance 2: Mambo

Song: "Johnny's Mambo"

Star: Marvin O'Neal III, Ph.D. (Undergraduate Biology Professor)

**JL:** Have you had any dance experience?

**Marvin O'Neal (MO):** I took a few classes 25 years ago. I do enjoy dancing with my wife and children. That's pure fun.

**JL:** What feelings did you experience before stepping on the stage in front of all the students?

**MO:** More nervous than lecturing, that's for sure. But my partner had prepared me well; we agreed before going on stage that we were just going to have fun.

**JL:** What was going through your mind while you were performing on stage?

**MO:** It's pretty much a blur ... lots of counting, occasional cursing and once or twice, I remembered to smile.

**JL:** How did you and your partner prepare for the competition?

**MO:** We practiced about 10 times for around an hour each.

**JL:** Did you have a support system in the crowd that you know of? If so, who?

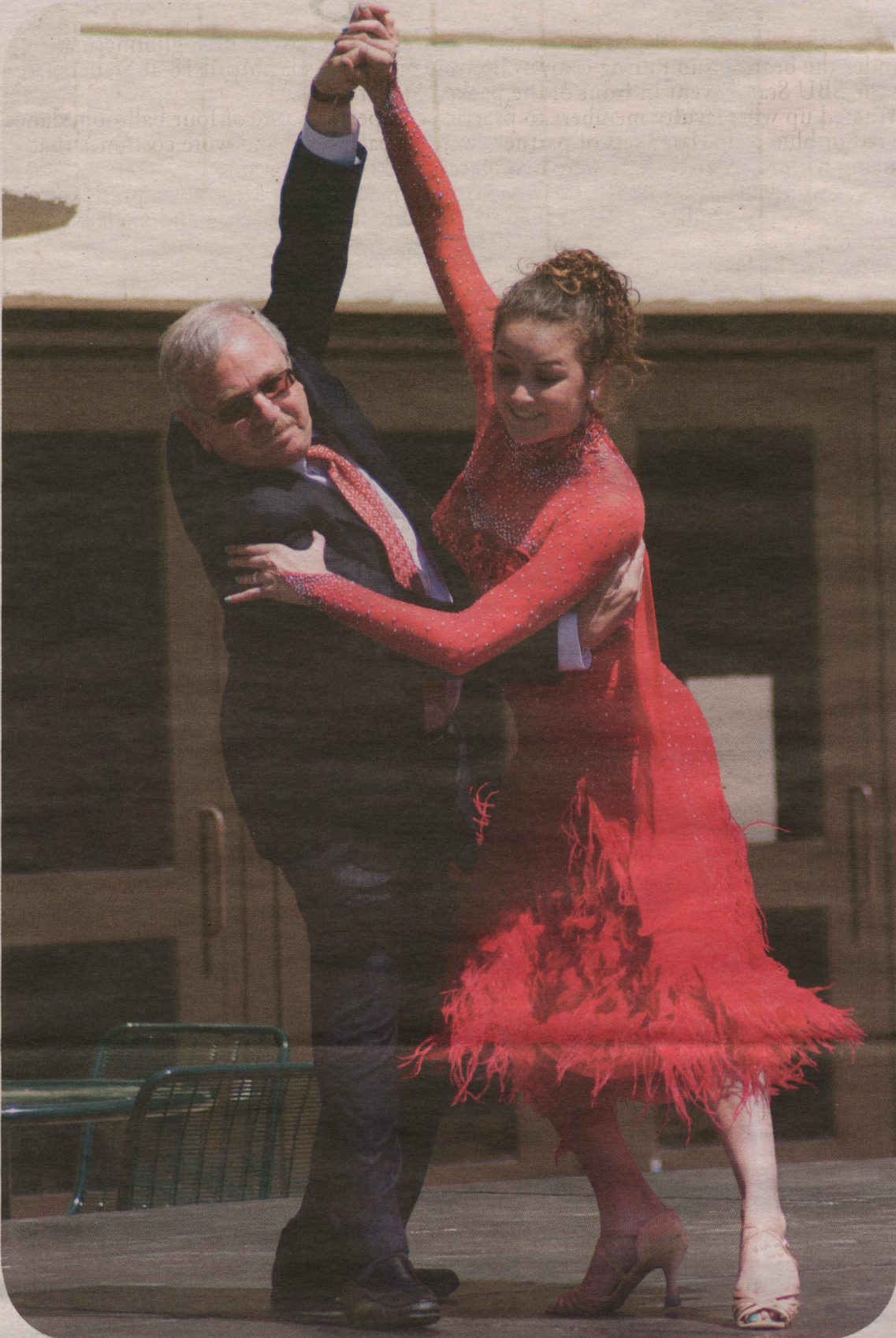
**MO:** My wife, two sons and several of my students. A few faculty and staff from my department even joined the festivities.

**JL:** What did you enjoy the most about the competition?

**MO:** Other than the free ice cream? I love interacting with students in a low stress environment.



# Stony shines in dancing with the SBU Stars



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## Dance 4: Cha Cha

Song: "Mira Pa Dentro"

Dancer, Vice President of the Ballroom Dance Team: Colby Allen (senior, multidisciplinary studies: psychology, Spanish and women's studies major)

**JL:** How long have you been ballroom dancing?

**Colby Allen (CA):** I've been ballroom dancing for about three years. I've learned waltz, tango, foxtrot, Viennese waltz, quickstep, cha cha, international rumba, American rumba, samba, swing, salsa/mambo, jive, merengue, bachata and hustle.

**JL:** What feelings do you experience before and while performing in front of all your fellow students?

**CA:** I love performing. I still get nervous before I go on, but dance performances are 50 percent acting, and 50 percent dancing. I have to calm down and get into character for the dance.

**JL:** What did you enjoy the most about the competition?

**CA:** The thing that I enjoyed the most was working with Mawii. She was my former supervisor while I was an Orientation Leader, so we knew each other in a professional sense, but when you're dancing, you're working in a more personal manner. My job was to help her move her body in the right way to communicate to the audience, so there were a lot of funny moments when she'd get it or if she didn't get it. She was so much fun every day, and I'm definitely going to miss practicing with her.

**JL:** How does it feel to be a part of the winning team?

**CA:** It's great when your hard work pays off, but I'm more excited for the "Stars." They're the ones who took time out of their lives to come and learn the dances, which is no easy task in such a short period of time. It's great when they get rewarded for their hard work.

## Dance 3: Foxtrot

Song: "Cheek to Cheek"

Dancer: Yelena Mirsakova (junior, information systems major)

\*Mirsakova performed with Dean Bowen on the red team and filled in for Seth Hoffman on the blue team due to personal reasons.

**JL:** How long have you been ballroom dancing?

**Yelena Mirsakova (YM):** I've been ballroom dancing since I was 15 years old. I've done all styles, standard and Latin, and it's so much fun! It started as a simple hobby until I joined the team my freshman year, then it became my passion.

**JL:** What were the greatest challenges you had to face?

**YM:** Choreographing. Mambo is not a dance I have the most experience in. The biggest challenge was our last-minute dropout of one of our performers and handling that.

**JL:** What did you enjoy the most about the competition?

**YM:** Watching the other performances. We are a very tight knit team, so it was a lot of fun to support our friends on stage during their performance. Plus, it was cool to see our faculty and staff in such a different setting than we're used to.

**JL:** What did you think about the event overall?

**YM:** The event went great! I was so proud of all our performers and so happy with the turnout. I couldn't have asked for it to go any better!

Star: Margaret Schedel (Music Professor)

**JL:** What feelings did you experience before stepping on the stage in front of all the students?

**MS:** Freaking out - my original partner couldn't do it so I had only worked with Yelena one day before.

**JL:** How did you and your partner prepare for the competition?

**MS:** I worked with Seth every week for about an hour on learning steps and choreographing the routine.

**JL:** Do you think being a music teacher and understanding rhythm gave you an advantage over many of the contestants?

**MS:** Probably - I also edited the song so that we had three distinct sections: Louis Armstrong, which we did in 4-step, Ella Fitzgerald, which we did in a 3-step, and then their duet, which we did a staggered dance.

**JL:** How does it feel to be a part of the winning team?

**MS:** Not to be cheesy, I was just happy that all the Stony Brook stars did so well — I was really impressed!



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Compiled by Chelsea Katz



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Members of the TLT organization work to build their boat in time for the Roth Regatta next Friday

## CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT

*From outcast to president: The story of LGBTQA's leader, Colleen O'Connor*

By David O'Connor  
Assistant Sports Editor

Many clubs and organizations on a college campus are born out of a hobby, sport or book genre. But there are some organizations that have a deeper role; the Stony Brook Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Alliance (LGBTQA) is one such organization. At the helm of this endeavor is junior English major Colleen O'Connor, the president of an organization that prides itself on being a safe space for those in the queer community who need a haven where they can be themselves.

"My definition of a safe space is both easy and hard to create," O'Connor said. "Create a space where everyone feels safe, respected and comfortable. It sounds easy because, hey, all you have to do is not be a putz. But everyone defines putziness in different ways, so it's a constant learning process."

The LGBTQA is meant to promote wider tolerance and awareness of the queer community and its issues, as well as provide an accepting environment for queer students and those who support the cause.

O'Connor has been aware of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) community for a long time, even though she did not feel like a part of it until just before her time at college; she felt intensely isolated during her time in high school because she did not quite fit in.

"I felt a lot more like an outsider in high school than I did when I got to college," she said. "You know how high schoolers are—they're vicious, and I got



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**Colleen O'Connor, president of Stony Brook's LGBTQA, hopes to create a safe space for students on campus.**

pushed around a lot for plenty of reasons. I was shy; I was a nerd; I read a lot; I drew pictures; I wore glasses; I presented my gender in a way that ran contrary to what was socially acceptable. I caught a lot of flak for that last one; I remember being cornered a few times over it."

Because of these experiences, O'Connor became a person who was determined to be a champion for the LGBTQ community.

"I came out in my senior year of high school, so the transition was pretty fluid," she said. "I only started feeling like a member of the community when I got to college and got involved with activism. I did a lot of protesting in New Mexico since I went to school right there

in Albuquerque, and getting around was cheap. Those were the days!"

Then O'Connor transferred to Stony Brook, where she quickly became involved in the LGBTQA. She was involved in a similar club at the University of New Mexico, but she was not as active until she came to Stony Brook. She said that her experience in the organization has helped her develop as a person over the past couple of years.

"Getting to the LGBTQA massively altered my perspective," O'Connor said. "I started encountering so many strong and admirable people who had histories like mine, and I realized that it's possible to have gone through shit and still

be awesome and helpful to other people. It made me realize that my experiences can help other people — it almost gave me a purpose."

O'Connor also strongly believes that the organization has lived up to its name during her time as a member and president.

"Not to toot my or the club's horn, but I think we're a pretty good safe space," she said. "We make mistakes; everyone stumbles once and a while, but we're always actively working to better ourselves and encouraging people to bring problematic things we say to our attention."

O'Connor says that she does not take credit for where the club has gone in the past year. No one in the club is more important

than anyone else. She gives credit to the organization's e-board. As a team, they have done a good job steering the group through the good and bad times in the past several months. One of things that she is happy about is the return of outside speakers. Speakers were difficult to get due to the speaker fee cap of \$2,000 as a part of USG guidelines.

As president of the club, O'Connor has developed a message for those inside and outside the LGBTQ community about feeling isolated.

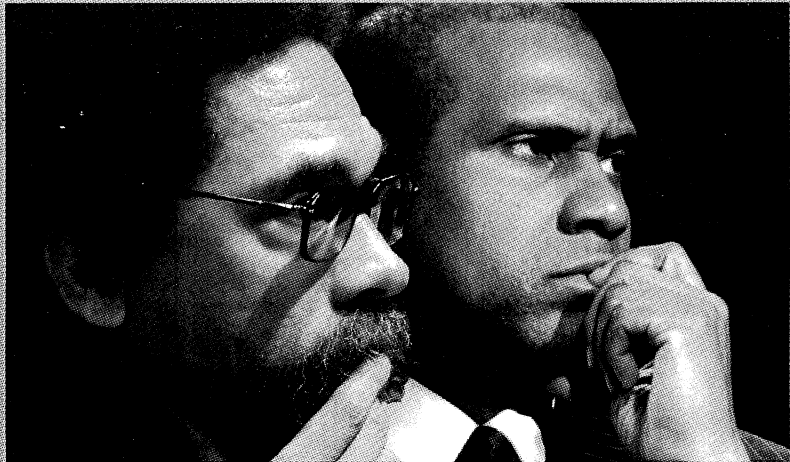
"There will be people who won't accept you," she said. "And learning to live without them can be a painful experience, but you will have new people who will love you no matter what."



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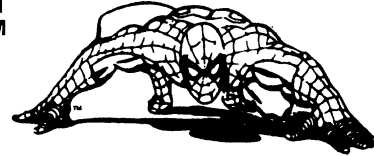


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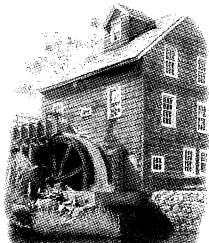
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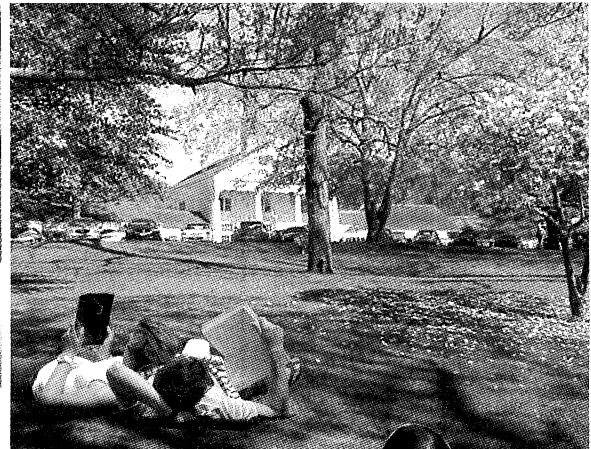
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## How sustainable is Stony Brook

By Jim Quigley  
Lecturer in Sustainability

How sustainable is Stony Brook University, and what is the university doing to try to make itself more so? Like any college campus that operates, as we do like a small city, SBU faces many challenges, and it has made many strides in reducing its environmental footprint. Are we the "greenest" campus? No, but we are greener than most and we are constantly moving in the direction of smarter use of resources.

With student enrollments in excess of 24,000 and full and part-time employees at about 14,000, we make quite an impact. Founded in 1957, SBU's fleet of buildings includes not only state of the art designs, like the Simons Center, but an older stock of structures, like the neighboring Physics Building, built back in the day when designers did not give the attention to conservation that today's architects and engineers now routinely do. All campus buildings have been upgraded regularly over the years with new and improved equipment. More efficient lighting,

energy efficient heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems have been installed.

Campus buses use a mix of cleaner fuels; one even uses waste cooking oil from food services. Electric and hybrid vehicles have been added to the university's fleet. Significant volumes of waste paper, cardboard boxes, beverage containers and other materials have been diverted from the waste stream for recycling. There is even a food waste composting project that has been underway for several years that turns such things as old melon rinds, spoiled salads and coffee grounds back into soil. Thousands of water-conserving devices have been installed in student housing and other campus buildings. This reduction in waste water discharge has helped make the state-of-the-art sewage treatment plant operated by Suffolk County for the University and the hospital run even more efficiently.

SBU's co-generation plant is a marvel of applied science combining a high efficiency gas turbine with heat recovery and electric power which far reduces the air pollution burden that

more conventional fossil fuel plants would impose. Even solar energy panels are making their way onto the campus. SBU's "sustainability" mission and its accomplishments are prominently featured on its website in its efforts to regularly educate the university community about what all of us must do. Of course, we must do more.

All of us have seen the bad examples: inadequate recycling, wasted energy, lights left on, engines idling and the ever confounding use of noisy, needlessly polluting leaf blowers. This is where we get involved. We can make changes. We have a willing partner in the university. They want to reduce operations costs and operations impact and we can help. For example, our Sustainability Studies Program has engaged the University in a lighting audit project with four campus buildings this semester and a roof garden installation is taking place at the hospital. These efforts involve students, faculty and staff in close cooperation. "Sustainability" is an ongoing enterprise requiring all hands on deck.

## Letter to the editor

From April 23 at 12 p.m. until April 27, the SOLAR voting system will open again for all Stony Brook students to vote once more for the candidates they believe will best serve the student body. Aimee Pomeroy will face Jason Sockin for the position of Executive Vice President while Patrick Abelein will square off against Nicholas Ela for the position of Vice President of Student Life.

Although I have been recently elected as a USG Senator for the College of Arts and Science, I believe it is best that I voice my opinions concerning some of the candidates in the current runoff elections.

Aimee Pomeroy, running with the Seawolves for Change Party, is clearly the best candidate for the position of Executive Vice President. She is a member of the student body that truly cares about each student and club/organization on campus. Her campaign mostly consisted of meeting directly with students individually because of her dedication to connecting with the diverse students all over Stony Brook campus. Aimee is the one

candidate that really wanted to hear the concerns and opinions of her fellow peers. She is a genuine leader that will transform USG into a much more open, communicative and encouraging atmosphere. If elected, I am certain that Aimee will instantly gain the respect from all the Senate members. I say with confidence that I have complete trust that Aimee Pomeroy will be the best Executive Vice President that Stony Brook University has ever elected.

"Thank you to all the students who showed their support and voted. I appreciate everyone who trusted me enough to win their vote," Aimee expressed. "But we're not done, Seawolves! Please vote again and help me make a difference."

Patrick Abelein, who is running with the Seawolves for Change Party, is the right candidate for the position of VP of Student Life. After his two weeks of campaigning, I have seen how dedicated he is to improving student life on campus. He will be a strong asset to USG because of his passion for enhancing the diversity of student involvement. One of Patrick's main

goals is to make sure all students at Stony Brook are equally represented. He believes the communication between club presidents and the VP of Student Life can be improved.

"Stony Brook University is very diverse so our campus needs to have events that cater to the various interests of the student body," Patrick explained. "I want to keep in contact with the presidents of all clubs and organizations on campus so the opinions of different students will be able to be heard." Aimee Pomeroy and Patrick Abelein are both devoted to serving the student body and making a beneficial change in USG. I fully trust that the Executive Council will only strengthen if both these candidates are elected in the runoff elections.

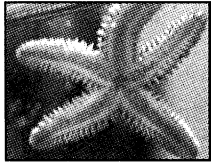
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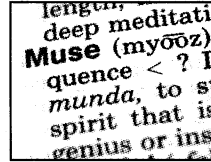
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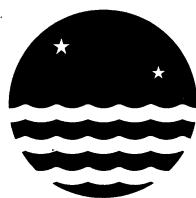
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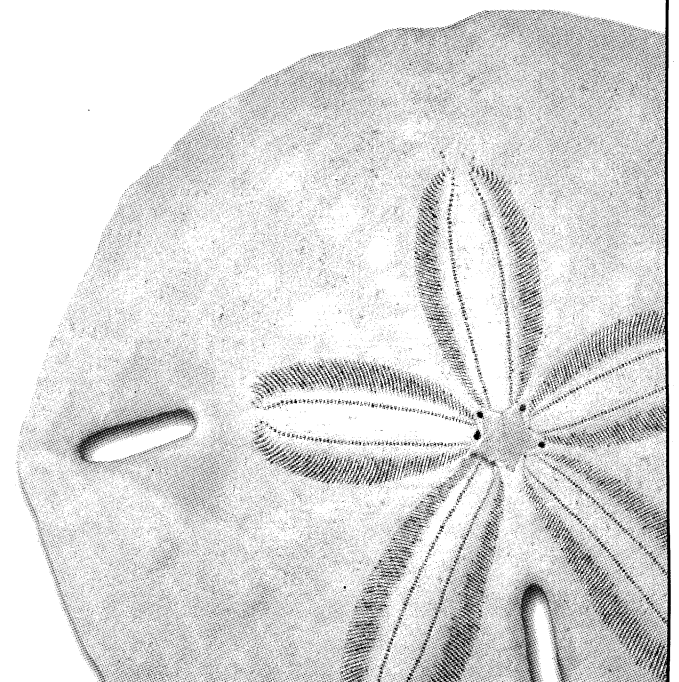
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## Senk has milestone victory against Hawks

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to sophomore pitcher Frankie Vanderka (1-2), who did not allow a run for the rest of the game and picked up his third save of the season.

The Seawolves also took the lead early in game two, scoring one run in the bottom of the first inning when Carmona hit an RBI single. They added another two runs in the second inning; Jankowski brought in the first with a single and freshman infielder Cole Peragine scored the second. They would total six runs for the game.

On the mound, sophomore pitcher Brandon McNitt (5-1) struck out six and allowed only five hits and one walk. The only troublesome situation that he ran into came in the second inning when the Hawks loaded the bases with no one out. McNitt got the next three batters out to get himself out of danger.

The following day brought even greater success for the Seawolves as they captured the two victories necessary to secure their coach's milestone win. The first win of the game belonged to senior pitcher Evan Stecko-Haley (4-3), who accumulated a career-high 10 strikeouts and allowed one walk.

Stony Brook once again grabbed an early lead. Its first run came in the second inning, followed by a two-run scoring

single from junior infielder Maxx Tissenbaum. The final run of the game came in the sixth inning as a result of an RBI triple from Jankowski. Hartford had one hit in the last inning but was unable to make any offensive headway against Stecko-Haley.

True to form, Stony Brook got on the board quickly in the final game of the series. Everything went its way in the first inning, in which the Seawolves scored four runs. Carmona was the force behind two of those runs with his two-run triple. Cantwell helped bring in the fifth run of the game in the second inning when he hit an RBI single.

The score remained 5-0 until the seventh inning, when Stony Brook put another four runs on the board, putting the game out of reach. Hartford was not completely silent against junior pitcher James Campbell (3-0), off of whom they scored four runs. But it would be Campbell who had the last laugh, as he walked away with the victory.

Stony Brook will next play Central Connecticut State University at home on Tuesday. It will be its last home game for some time. Out of 15 remaining regular season games, 12 will be away from Stony Brook.

"We're well aware of it," Senk said. "We're making the most of being at home; I think we've done a good job of that."

## Bernadette Tenuto serves as a veteran on a rising softball team

By **Catie Curatolo**  
Staff Writer

Senior business major Bernadette Tenuto is not much of a talker.

Stony Brook softball's starting third baseman, Tenuto speaks softly and describes herself as shy.

One of four seniors on the team, she is not a fan of yelling. Rather, she prefers to lead by example.

"I'm not a very vocal person, but I just play. I play and hopefully people follow," she said.

Anyone who is looking to follow in her footsteps would do well to look at how much she has grown over the years at Stony Brook.

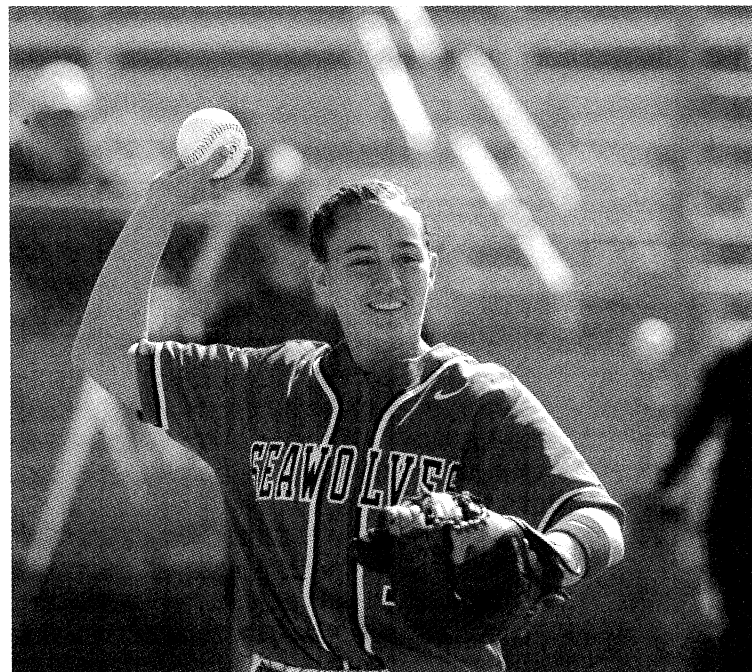
In her freshman year, she played first base and batted 0.161, starting a mere five games. Last year, she led the team with a 0.338 average and started every game.

"Bern's been a terrific member of our team now for four years," head coach Megan Bryant said. "She's one of our best hitters and a really consistent defensive player."

Tenuto started her senior season off on a high note, going 4-for-11 and hitting 0.364 with three doubles and four RBI when the Seawolves kicked off the season at the George Washington Colonial Classic back in March, and she has continued that momentum all season.

In Stony Brook's win over UMBC on April 14, Tenuto went 3-for-4 with two runs and three RBI.

"One of the things I like about Bern is she's a very even keel — she



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### Tenuto wants to get a Master's Degree after college.

never really gives too high or too low," Bryant said.

Although it seems as if Tenuto's been having a stellar season, Bryant believes she could do a little better.

"I don't think there's a coach alive that doesn't think her players can work harder," Bryant said. "We'd like to see Bern drive in a few more runs because she's currently a good enough hitter to do that."

But Tenuto is more focused on the team doing well than herself. For her senior year, she would like to win the America East.

"We want to go all the way," Tenuto said. "So whatever we take as

a team, whether it's me, whether it's [someone else], we're just going to do it together."

Tenuto plans to graduate this year and go back to her hometown, Audubon, N.J., where she has been offered a job in an accounting firm. She then plans to get her Master's Degree.

Although she loves "the camaraderie and everything else about softball," Tenuto does not see herself continuing with it in the future.

"I would like to stay involved, but I think it's time," she said. "My future's going to take me where I need to be taken."

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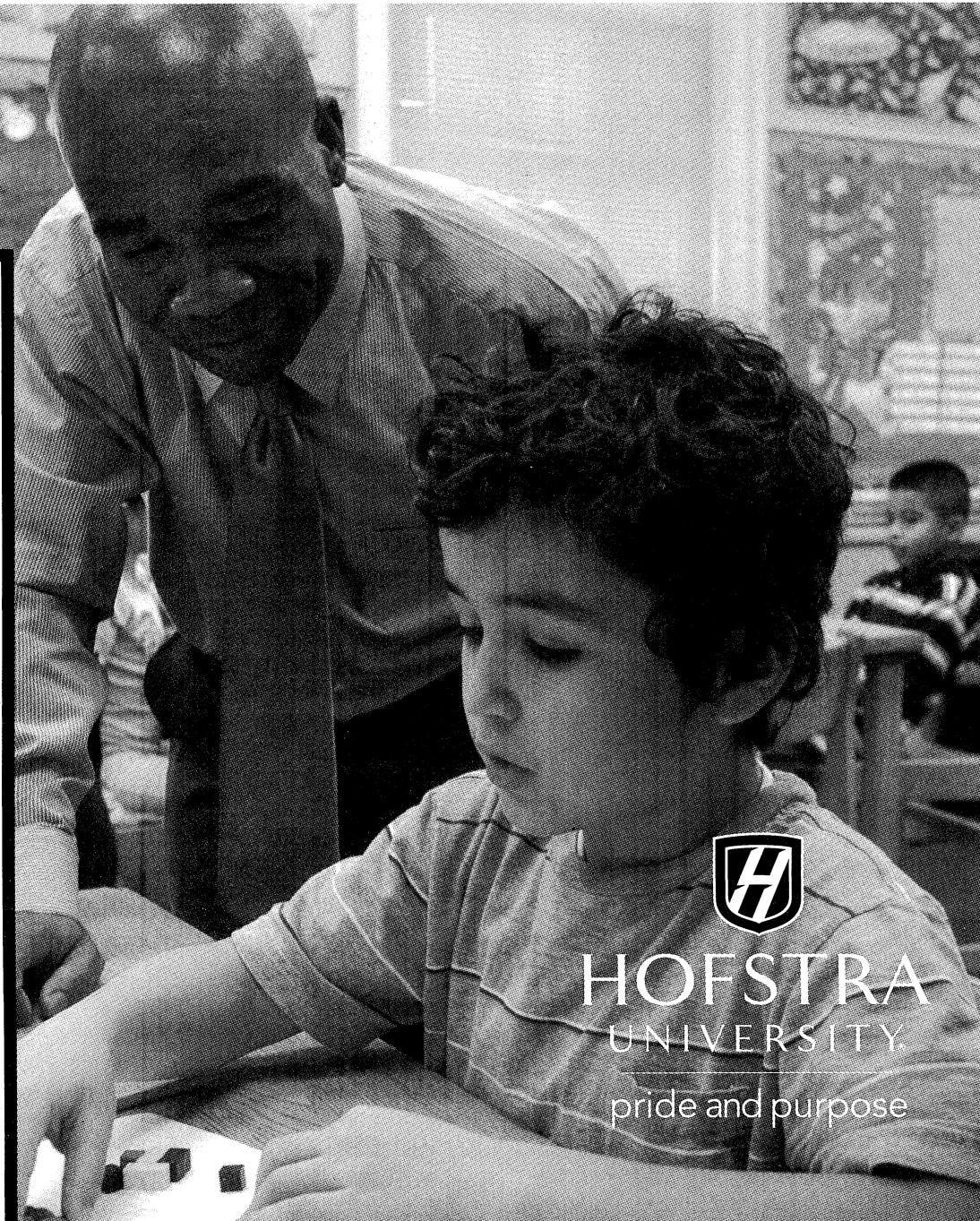
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# Defense beats offense 39-13 in spring football game

By Mike Daniello  
Assistant Sports Editor

Stony Brook football held its annual spring football game on Sunday at Kenneth P. LaValle Stadium. The game, which is just Stony Brook offense versus defense (red), ended with the offense (white) topping the offense 39-13, in a modified scoring system. Due to the inclement weather the game was cut short, just before the beginning of the fourth quarter.

The team brought in a few faces, most notably junior running back Marcus Coker and sophomore wide receiver Adrian Coxson. Coker did not get into the game along with senior running back Miguel Maysonet, but Coxson did see some playing time. "I've never played my starting running backs in the spring games. Maysonet didn't play," Stony Brook head coach Chuck Priore said. "He didn't play last year, didn't play year before that. I never play them in these games. I never play them in live situations in the spring."

Without Coker and Maysonet playing, that meant more time for sophomore backup running back Davon Lawrence. Lawrence, a former Division I Player of the year in Suffolk County for Sachem North, ran for 92 yards and a touchdown to lead the offense. Senior Kevin Norrell caught five passes for 61 yards and a touchdown, in a game where running the ball was the dominant focus.

Senior Kyle Essington did complete 10 of 16 passes for 174 yards and the touchdown pass to Norrell. "It's tough but you just have to make the best of what you got and put your best effort forth," Essington said.

Even though the team is clearly



Senior wide receiver Kevin Norrell celebrated a touchdown in Sunday's spring football game in the rain.

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a strong running team, it is still looking to pass the ball to balance its attack. "That's the way our offense is built, is to pass the ball off of the play action and it opens up really nicely," Essington said. "With the addition of Coker, I think we are going to have a really strong running game as always, and our passing game will fit in really nicely. I think we'll have a really

successful year throwing the ball."

Senior Jordan Gush caught two passes, with one being a 55-yard reception in the beginning of the second quarter. Junior Lyle Negron completed four of seven passes for 58 yards, including a 37-yard pass to junior Myles Campbell.

The Stony Brook defense was led by redshirt freshman Naim

Cheeseboro, who led the team with nine tackles. Senior Dan Mulrooney and sophomore Janna Chukumerije each recovered a fumble on defense. The only big run they gave up was a 76-yard run by Lawrence. "I think we did pretty well. We gave up a few big plays. Penalties here and there, too, kind of killed us a little bit," senior defensive lineman Jonathan Coats

said. "The group of guys are young, but I think we played well."

Redshirt freshman Victor Ochi had six tackles, including two sacks.

The first game for Stony Brook will be on Sept. 1, when it will take on Central Connecticut. It will be the Seawolves first season-opening game at home since 2008.

-Reporting by Amy Streifer



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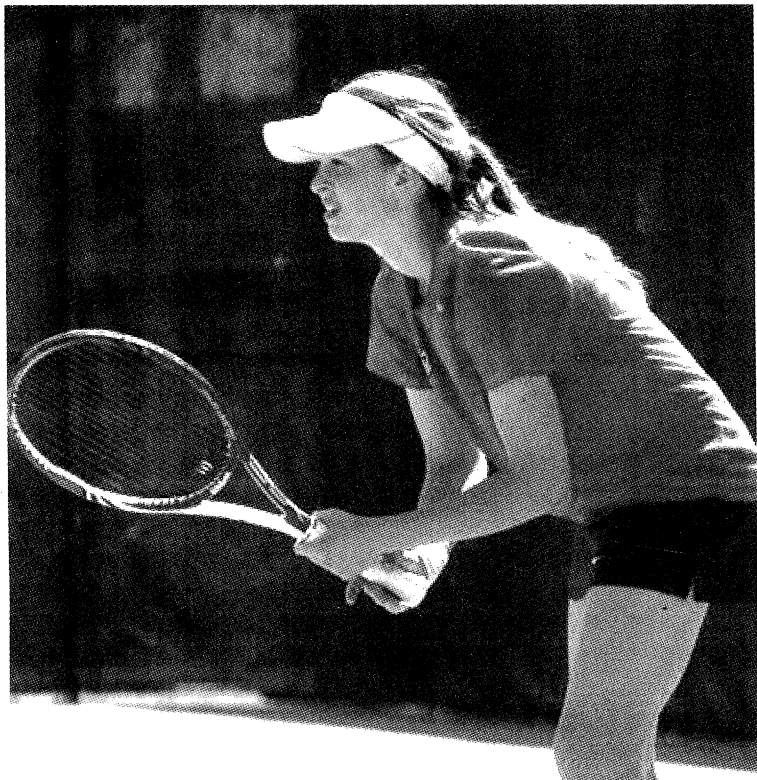
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## Men and women's tennis teams wind down season with conference match-ups



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**Women's tennis ended the year with an 11-7 record.**

By Adam Merkle  
Staff Writer

As the regular season nears commencement, the Stony Brook University tennis teams, both men and women squads, split a two-game home series against Binghamton and Hartford, respectively, on Saturday.

The women's team finished its season at 11-7 after beating Hartford, 5-1, in the second game of a morning - afternoon doubleheader on Saturday at the University Courts.

Both teams took on Binghamton in the morning match, and both

teams fell behind after sluggish starts.

While it was unable to have much success against Binghamton, the men's team rallied in its second match against Hartford behind sophomore Nikita Fomin, who refused to drop a single game.

Senior Roope Kailaheimo also played a strong game, defeating his opponent in tight, 7-6, 7-6 straight sets at the No. 3 position against the Hawks.

The women's squad played Binghamton to a closer morning match, giving the Bearcats no chance to jump to a large lead

like what happened to their male counterparts.

The Stony Brook women were a player down and thus defaulted to Binghamton at both the No. 3 doubles slot and the No. 6 singles slot, but they would force the game to be decided by a single game.

Stony Brook was faced with less than favorable odds, being a man down, and needed victories in both double matches in order to earn the point.

While the tandem of junior Nini Lagvilava and freshman Polina Movchan was able to win the first game, the Seawolves fell in a contested second game.

Lagvilava and Movchan continued scorching play by dominating Bearcat opponents in the No. 1 and 2 slots, respectively.

Although senior Prerana Appineni was able to win at the No. 4 single-spot, the defaults became too much to overcome as the Seawolves fell despite their solid play, 4-3.

Looking to rebound in the second match of the afternoon, the women's team took it to Hartford, winning five straight singles sets en route to a 5-1 victory in the second match of the double header.

The men will close out their regular season when Fairfield comes to town on Tuesday at 3 p.m.

Both teams will then head into the America East Championship weekend starting on April 27 through April 29 in Queens, N.Y. at the USTA National Tennis Center.

With just Fairfield left on the men's team schedule, the men look to push their 9-9 record past 0.500 with a victory against the Stags.

## Track and field competes at Mt. SAC Relays for weekend

By Anthony Santigate  
Staff Writer

Senior Lucy Van Dalen ran a 15:23:54 in the 5,000m on Saturday at the Mt. SAC (San Antonio College) Relays, a school record and the fifth fastest by a New Zealand woman ever. Stony Brook track and field continued its solid weekend on Sunday with big performances by sophomores Eric Speakman and Olivia Burne, junior Lorraine McCarthy and senior Mary O'Connor at the Larry Ellis invitational hosted by Princeton University.

Van Dalen competed against the world's elite on this weekend in the invitation-only meet. She finished fourth and broke the previous school record. She now has outdoor records in the 800m, 1,500m and 3,000m to go along with her title as the NCAA Indoor Champion in the

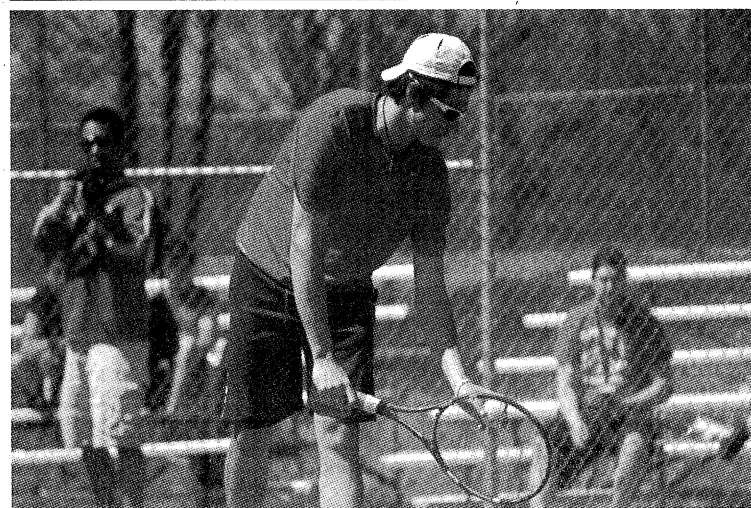
mile event.

Speakman broke a school record at Princeton by running a 3:47.25 in the 1,500m. This time gives him the possibility of qualifying for the NCAA regional championships at the end of May, and he already qualifies for the IC4A.

Like Speakman, Burne also has a chance to make the regionals after her time of 4:25.49 in the 1,500m in her first meet of the outdoor season. This run was her personal best and qualifies her for the ECAC.

O'Connor and McCarthy also had solid performances in the meet. O'Connor finished third in the 800m with a time of 2:11.56. McCarthy had a personal best of 4:35.96 in the 1,500m, winning her section.

Next up for the Seawolves are the well known Penn Relays on April 26-29.



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**The men have one more match to play this season.**

## Women's lacrosse clinches playoff seed with victory

By Mike Daniello  
Assistant Sports Editor

With Saturday's victory over Albany, the women's lacrosse team clinched the No. 2 seed in the America East Championship. The win improves the team's record to 12-4 overall and 4-1 in the America East. Junior Demmianne Cook scored six goals; junior Claire Petersen had two goals and four assists; and freshman Michelle Rubino added three assists to lead the team to their 16-5 victory.

With the loss, Albany fell to 9-5 overall and 2-3 in the America East. It also leaves the Great Danes in a three-way tie for the final spot in the America East Championship with Vermont and New Hampshire.

Cook's six goals on the day gave her 63 on the season. It was the fifth time she scored six or more goals in a game, and her 11th hat trick of the season.

It was Petersen's 11th game where she had five or more points. She now has 36 goals and 50 assists on the season.

Senior Abby Ford and sophomore Emily Mercier each scored two goals. Freshman Amber Kupres and junior Janine Hillier each netted a goal.

Stony Brook's offense was strong on Saturday, as was the defense. The team held the Great Danes to just 16 total shots and 12 of those were on goal. Rubino caused two turnovers and controlled four draws. Cook also caused a turnover and controlled five draws of her own.

Junior Hannah Perruccio stopped seven shots, three of which were on free position attempts.

Amanda Pollock's two goals and an assist led the Great Danes.

Albany won the opening draw and scored two and a half minutes into the game on Jess Antelmi's goal. Cook responded swiftly with a goal on an assist from Petersen at 25:54 to tie the game. That ignited the Seawolf offense, which had a five-goal surge, which included two goals from Rubino.

Mercier scored two goals in the final 7:19 of the first half to help send the Seawolves into halftime up 8-2.

Cook opened the second half with a goal. She won the ensuing draw, and in less than 10 seconds, Petersen found Ford, who scored to make it 10-2. Albany responded with a

Rachael Burek goal, but Stony Brook scored the next four goals. Ford scored on a pass from Hillier, Petersen scored on a free position shot and Cook added her fourth and fifth goals

of the game, to make it 14-3.

Cook scored her sixth and final goal with 4:31 remaining to put the game away.

Stony Brook will finish its regular season next Saturday

against New Hampshire at LaValle Stadium at 1 p.m. Before the game, the team will honor its outgoing seniors, who will play their final home game as Seawolves.



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**Junior Claire Petersen had two goals, part of her 11th game of five or more points.**



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# SPORTS

## Coach Matt Senk wins 600th game Baseball sweeps Hartford Hawks, winning four of four games in two days

By David O'Connor  
Assistant Sports Editor

The Stony Brook University baseball team won all four games in a weekend series against the Hartford Hawks, dismantling its conference opponent with a combined score of 26-9. The last of these victories came with an added bonus: the 600th victory in the extensive career of coach Matt Senk.

"It feels amazing," Senk said. "It's great to get to that milestone; what makes it even better is that we're reaching this team's goals."

Senk is the all-time wins leader at Stony Brook; his winning percentage for his career is 0.579 (600-386) after 22 seasons, the last of which is not yet over. He has led his team to 30 or more victories in nine seasons and has won three America East tournament titles with Stony Brook. His squad won a school-record 42 wins last season.

"That's a heck of a lot of winning," Senk said. "This team has as good a chance as any of the most successful teams to reach their goals."

The team is now 29-10 on the season and 9-2 in conference play, which is second only to the University of Maine in the



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### Coach Matt Senk has more wins than any previous Stony Brook baseball coach.

America East.

It was a dominating series for Stony Brook, which has won 15 of its last 17 games. The team held Hartford scoreless for 26 consecutive innings.

"We've been talking about our offensive approach," Senk said. "The one thing that you look for is limiting your strikeouts. We're in a good place offensively when you don't strike out. We've been

doing a good job of that over the last couple of weeks."

The first game of the series was the closest, a 7-5 win for Stony Brook. It was a game that the Seawolves looked as though they

were going to take easily, but the Hawks made the contest closer than fans present would have liked.

The Seawolves took the lead early and never relinquished it. They scored three runs in the first inning. Senior catcher Pat Cantwell brought in one run with a sacrifice fly; junior infielder William Carmona brought in another when he hit a triple, and the last run was scored when freshman outfielder Kevin Krause hit a single.

Stony Brook added on another run in the bottom of the second inning when junior outfielder Travis Jankowski hit an RBI triple. The two teams exchanged a pair of runs in the third inning, and the Seawolves further bolstered their lead when they tacked on another run in the fourth.

Hartford refused to be put away, however, and scored three runs against Stony Brook's starter, senior pitcher Tyler Johnson (5-1), who came out with the win anyway. The deficit was cut to 7-5.

Johnson came out of the game with one out in the sixth inning, handing the ball over

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## Softball takes two against Maine Black Bears; Cukrov breaks record and gets 20th victory

By David O'Connor and  
Mike Daniello  
Assistant Sports Editors

It was an exciting weekend for the Stony Brook University softball team.

The Seawolves and their freshman pitcher Allison Cukrov picked up two victories on Saturday afternoon against the University of Maine Black Bears. With the victories, Cukrov broke the school record for shutout victories and won her 20th game of the season.

Both were close games; Stony Brook won the first 3-0 and narrowly took the second 1-0. It was in the first victory that Cukrov broke the record of 11 she had recently jointly held with former pitcher Alyssa Struzenberg.

She struck out seven batters in each game and allowed only nine hits.

Stony Brook is now 31-11 overall and 10-1 in conference play — first place in the America East standings.

In the opening game, the Seawolves took hold of the lead from early on. Senior outfielder Suzanne Karath hit an RBI single off of Maine starter Ashley Kelley in the second inning.

The score remained 1-0 until the sixth inning, when sophomore infielder Jessica Combs hit a two-run double. That was all the scoring for that game.

The Seawolves once again scored

in the second inning of game two. With one out in the inning and a Karath on third base, senior infielder Lauren Maloney hit a ball into the air towards left field, however, dropped the ball, and Karath on third came in to score. Maloney made it to second base and later took third, but she was unable to reach home.

Both pitchers allowed only six hits in the game, and there would be no other runs apart from Karath's.

With her victory in game two, Cukrov became Stony Brook's third pitcher to win 20 games in a season, joining Struzenberg, who did it three times, and Angela Andrews, who achieved that in 2004.

Stony Brook softball's weekend series with Maine ended with a rain-shortened finale. After Stony Brook took the first two games, the Black Bears managed to tie the final game, which was ended after the seventh inning, due to rain.

Even with the tie, the Seawolves managed to remain in first place in the league with an 0.875 winning percentage.

Maine (11-26-1, 3-7-1 A.E.) scored first, as Jenn Eberhardt hit a solo home run off sophomore Christine Lucido in the top of the first inning.

Stony Brook did manage to tie the game in the second inning. After sophomore Nicole Hagerty doubled

with one out, freshman Lauren Kamachi singled into centerfield to tie the game at one.

Cukrov replaced Lucido in the top of the fourth inning and pitched four shutout innings to extend her weekend shutout streak to 18 innings. Lucido and Cukrov each gave up just two hits, while Maine starter Ashley Kelley held the Seawolves to eight hits.

Hagerty and Hawley each went 2-for-3 in the game for Stony Brook.

Earlier in the week, the team had two other doubleheaders, one on Tuesday against Rutgers University and the other on Thursday against Bryant University.

The Seawolves dropped both games of the first doubleheader.

They were shut out in the first game, 4-0, and could only score one run in the second, which was a 6-1 loss.

However, they won both games against Bryant two days later. Stony Brook took the first game 3-2 and the second 6-5.

Stony Brook remains in first place at 10-1-1 (0.875), while Albany is in second place at 12-3 (0.800). The two will square off during the final weekend of the season on May 5-6. Before that series, Stony Brook will travel to Binghamton next weekend for a three-game series.

The Seawolves' next game is at Sacred Heart on Wednesday at 3 p.m.

## Men's lacrosse defeated by Hartford in overtime finish

By Adrian Szkolar  
Staff Writer

It was an ending reminiscent of the last time Stony Brook and Hartford played each other.

Last year, in the America East Championship game, Hartford scored as time expired to win 11-10.

On Saturday, with Stony Brook up 10-9, Hartford's Rory Nunamacher scored with only one second left to force the game into overtime, eventually winning the game, 11-10.

Stony Brook held a 5-2 lead early in the second quarter but was unable to extend the lead, and by the 10:21 mark of the third quarter, Nunamacher tied the game at six.

"I was a little disappointed in that we got some easy goals early, but then guys started to get impatient," head coach Jim Nagle said. "It kind of opened the door for them to get back into it."

Senior Robbie Campbell scored what looked to be the game-winning goal with only 17 seconds left in the game to make the score 10-9, shooting as he went diving into the crease.

But then the dreaded last-second goal happened.

"They seem to like to score those

one-second goals," Campbell said. "It was looking at the scoreboard that caused the 'déjà vu.'"

Stony Brook would not get another possession to redeem itself.

Hartford's Tate Klidonas would beat Stony Brook's junior JJ Laforet in the overtime's opening faceoff, and Carter Bender would score 56 seconds into the extra session to complete the come-from-behind win.

Campbell and junior Jeff Tundo both recorded two goals and one assist in the game.

Sophomore Matt Bellando also had two goals.

Nunamacher led Hartford with a game-high four goals.

The loss to Hartford gave Stony Brook its first conference loss of the season. With a conference record of 3-1, the Seawolves are in a three-way tie for first place with UMBC and Albany.

Stony Brook will play the University of Albany next Saturday in the last game of the regular season, where it will have the chance to claim the first seed of the America East tournament since it beat UMBC during the regular season.

"We control our own destiny next week," Campbell said. "We just got to keep our heads up and look forward to the next game."