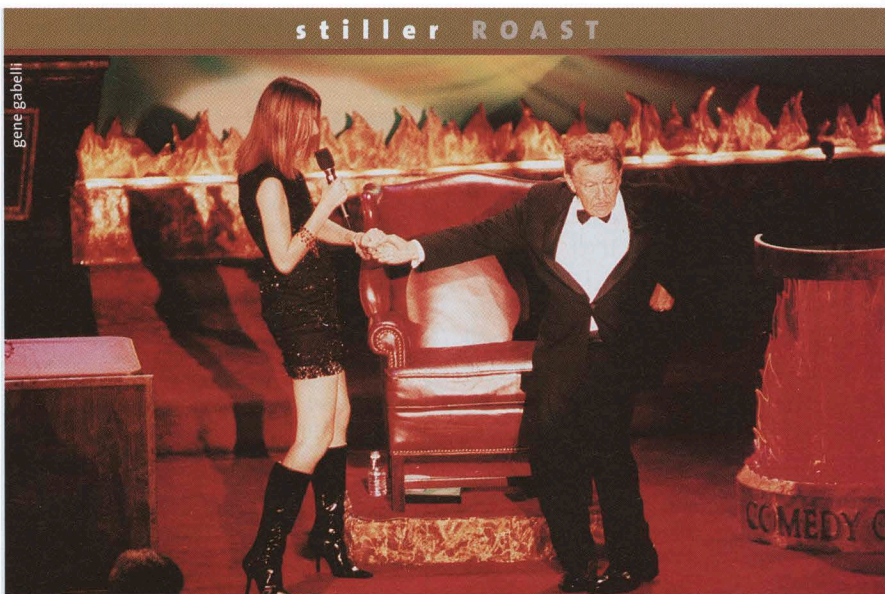


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CLASS ACT: The New York Friars Club paid homage to comedian Jerry Stiller '50 last fall at its annual Friars Roast, during which Stiller and entertainer Sandra Bernhardt (above) performed a skit. The Comedy Central television network, which broadcast the roast, contributed \$100,000 to five charities of Stiller's choosing, including the drama department production endowment fund in the College of Visual and Performing Arts.

virtual TOUR

Kick back and relax in front of your computer while you pay a visit to the SU campus, made possible by a new virtual walking tour of SU located on the web at <http://emc.syr.edu/tour>.

The tour makes about 60 stops, including Crouse College, Slocum Hall, Holden Observatory, Thornden and Walnut parks, and Marshall Street. A full-screen photograph and a short description of the building or site accompany each stop.

Visitors can take the full tour, beginning with an overview of campus and ending with a view of Skytop, or they can go directly to a location of their choice by visiting the campus map at the start of the tour, to which all the stops are linked.

The tour features several interactive 360-degree photographs, including ones of Skytop, the Carrier Dome during a basketball game, the sculpture court, the Quad, and the Thornden Park rose garden. Visitors can use the mouse to pan and view anywhere within the 360-degree arc.

There also are live shots of campus,

available at <http://emc.syr.edu/tour/webcams.htm>. One picture provides an up-to-the-minute view of the Hall of Languages and surrounding campus, shot from a live cam on the roof of the Newhouse Communications Center. A second picture features a live look at the Quad from the third floor of Link Hall.

The virtual tour was created by staff members in the Office of Electronic Media Communications, under the guidance of manager Bob Gerbin. He says the idea for the tour came during the launch of the new University web site last fall. "We got a lot of feedback from alumni who liked the site, but wondered why we didn't have a virtual tour," Gerbin says. "Many other colleges and universities have tours on their web sites, and visitors wanted to see the campus on our site as well."

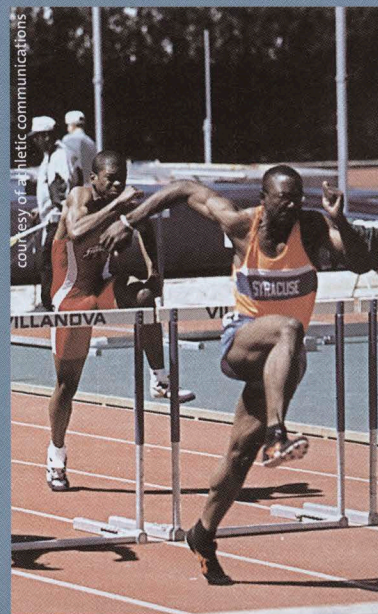
Gerbin says the tour is in its early stage. More 360-degree photographs and live shots will be created. It also will give a historical tour of campus, with pictures and information about SU's past.

olympic HOPEFUL

Adrian Woodley, a senior retailing major in the College for Human Development, has his eyes firmly fixed on a very large prize: representing his native Canada in the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia.

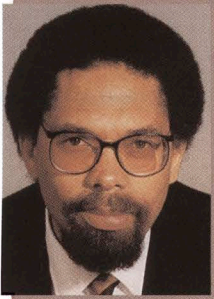
Woodley, a member of the SU track and field team, became the Canadian national champion in the 110-meter hurdles last spring, and then competed in the Pan Am Games in Manitoba, Canada, and the World Championship Games in Seville, Spain. "I was in awe," says Woodley, who unfortunately was unable to reach the final round in either event. "I was surrounded by some of the world's best athletes. Competition was fierce, and that was a good thing."

Now Woodley is training for the August 2000 Canadian National Championships, his first step on the road to the Sydney games in September. "If I keep working with my coach, keep plugging away and doing what I need to do, I really think I can make it," he says.



freshman LECTURE

In September, Cornel West, distinguished author and professor of Afro-American studies and philosophy of religion at Harvard University, delivered the College of Arts and Sciences Freshman Lecture.



One of the nation's leading scholars on race and race relations, West has written 14 books, including *The American Evasion of Philosophy*, *The Future of Race*, *Restoring Hope*, and the best-seller *Race Matters*.

During his lecture, titled "Diversity and American Democracy," West challenged students to explore societal structures and strive to enhance American democratic values.

"In the process of becoming a critical and creative citizen, one gains a sense of history, a sense of maturity, and a sense of destiny," he said. "It is important to become a part of something bigger than yourself."

boats AFLOAT

The opening of a new storage building and delivery of 19 new boats and shells signaled the full recovery of the SU men's and women's rowing teams from a devastating fire in December 1998 that destroyed the existing facility and crew equipment.

According to David Pajak, director of SU's Risk Management Department, the new facility is identical to the one claimed by the fire. "In fact, because the storage building was relatively new, the University and Onondaga County agreed to use the same blueprints and contractor to build the new one," Pajak says.

Syracuse University built the original storage facility in 1997 on county land at a cost of about \$170,000. SU has a lease agreement with the county to store University equipment in the building. Onondaga County paid for the new construction.

Onondaga County fire investigators concluded that the cause of the fire was arson. The case remains under investigation.

tubman EXPLORED

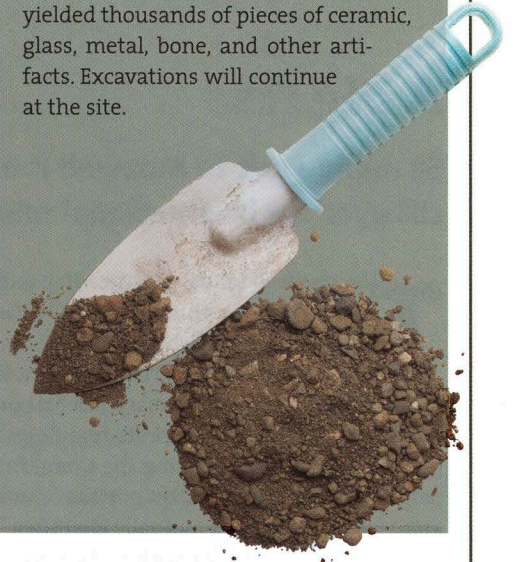
Three teams of undergraduate and graduate Syracuse University students dug, scraped, and sifted through dirt and debris as part of the Department of Anthropology's Archaeological Field School project, which explored a wooded area on the property of the former Harriet Tubman Home for the Aged in Auburn, New York.

The program allows students to find, identify, clean, and categorize artifacts from an archaeological field site within an hour's drive from the University. "It's a great way to spend the summer, except when bugs come out," says Hadley Kruczek-Aaron, an anthropology doctoral student in the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs.

The Harriet Tubman Home for the Aged is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is owned and managed by the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. The original wood-frame house is now a museum. Two newer buildings—a library and a community center—are also located on the site.

The ruins of John Brown Hall, one of the original buildings of the Harriet Tubman Home, were identified about five years ago by Douglas Armstrong, chair of the anthropology department. He and a group of students visited the home as part of their study of Tubman's role in leading African American slaves to freedom during the 19th century.

The two-week dig at John Brown Hall yielded thousands of pieces of ceramic, glass, metal, bone, and other artifacts. Excavations will continue at the site.



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