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An occasional newsletter for the Emeritus Faculty Association

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Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be on held **Friday, November 2, 2018** at 11:00 a.m in the Provost Office Conference Room (407 Administration Bldg)

Our guest speaker will be Wolf Schafer, Interim Chair of Technology & Society and Director of the Institute for Global Studies.

Exhuming The Young Carl Friedrich von Weizsäcker

Abstract: According to Wikipedia, "Carl Friedrich Freiherr von Weizsäcker (28 June 1912 – 28 April 2007) was a German physicist and philosopher." However, according to my research, there have been two Carl Friedrich von Weizsäckers: A young Nazi physicist, who "died" after Hiroshima, and an older and wiser, peace-loving German philosopher, who was "reborn" after 1945. I knew the latter very well -- he was my boss at a Max-Planck Institute in the 1970s -- but I never met the former, because the latter kept his Nazi persona forever under wraps.

BIO: Dr. Wolf Schafer received his higher education in Marburg, Bonn, King's College London, Munich, and Bremen, earned an MA in History, International Politics, and Philosophy and a PhD in History of Science and Technology and Social History.

Dr. Schafer has worked at the German Max-Planck-Institute with C. F. von Weizsäcker and Jürgen Habermas, became a professor in Darmstadt, Germany, and moved to the United States in 1989. Here he pioneered global history as an alternative

to world history, founded the Center for Global & Local History, and the Stony Brook Institute for Global Studies as well as the *Globality Studies Journal*.

The author of over eighty articles and ten books, Schafer is presently finishing a book on the election of Donald Trump. His current research focuses on the management of big science projects in the US and Germany during World War II.

Dr. Schafer has served Stony Brook University twice as interim dean of International Academic Programs and Services. He was awarded a 2013 Berlin Prize Fellowship at the American Academy in Berlin and in 2014/15, he was the Academy's Dean of Fellows.

In Memoriam:

Fred Weinstein: There will be a memorial service for Fred Weinstein, Professor of History, on November 14 at 4 pm in the History Dept, 3rd floor of SBS.

A history professor who taught for many years at Stony Brook University, died March 27 in New York City, after a short illness. He was 86. Fred began teaching at Stony Brook in 1969 and, aside from a year at The Institute for Advanced Study in 1970-71, taught there until his retirement in 1999. His scholarship focused on social theory and social movements, with an emphasis on applying psychoanalytic theory to the study of history. He wrote five books, including "The Wish to Be Free" (with his friend Gerald M. Platt) and "History and Theory After the Fall," and he helped found The Psychohistory Review in 1976. He also served as department chairman in the late 1980s. Fred was born to Samuel and Sonia Weinstein, nee Ginsberg, both Russian immigrants, on October 19, 1931, in Brooklyn, NY. After graduating from Brooklyn College in 1954, he was drafted into the Army and served from 1954-56. Fred subsequently returned to Brooklyn College, where he earned his MA in 1957. He completed his PhD at UC Berkeley in 1962. Fred married Joan Gaustad, nee Berry, in 1962 and bravely took on an instant family of four children. In 1967, he and Joan had their son, Samuel Noah Weinstein. A lifelong New York Yankees fan, Fred also enjoyed gardening, cooking, and travelling abroad. He maintained his Brooklyn roots with an abiding love for horse racing, often visiting Belmont and Aqueduct racetracks with friends. Fred, who was preceded in death by his wife, Joan Berry Weinstein, is survived by his stepchildren, Blaine Gaustad (Nancy), Malcolm Gaustad (Grace), Robert Gaustad, and Alison Cooper (John), his son, Samuel Weinstein (April Hesik), his granddaughter, Sabine Hesik-Weinstein, his step-grandchildren, Jennifer Socey, Blair Tracey, Adrienne Crea, Caitlin Gaustad, and Justine Hasty, and his step-great-grandchildren, Jack Carpenter, Reid Pressley, Nora Crea and Caelan Tumas. His family will miss his wicked sense of humor, his extraordinary intelligence, and his love. He was buried next to his late wife at Oak Hill Cemetery in Stony Brook, NY.

Stephen Cole: Obituary

Stephen Cole, SUNY Distinguished Professor, an active member of the Department of Sociology from 1968 until his retirement in 2010, died on September 5, 2018 of a heart attack while vacationing in Poland. Steve was one of the founders of the field of the Sociology of Science and made considerable contributions to its development. He was the author of a number of books in the fields of the sociology of science, faculty diversity, and the peer review process of the National Science Foundation as well as his influential textbook on sociological methods. In addition to books, he published numerous articles and book chapters in these and other fields (like the sociology of medicine). Though he did occasionally publish jointly with his brother, Jonathan Cole, the range and diversity of Steve's scholarship, and the quality of his publications clearly established him as major figure not only in the broad discipline of sociological theory and methods, but also in the history and philosophy of science as well science policy. From his mentors at Columbia University, Robert Merton and Paul Lazerfeld, he learned the importance of integrating theory and empirical data. Steve also believed in the importance of using sociology to understand and benefit society. One way he did that was to use his sociological knowledge and methodological skills in survey research to carry out several surveys for Newsday on life insuburbia, which were highly illuminating and well received.

In addition to being an excellent scholar, Steve was also a wonderful class room teacher and mentor. He not only taught courses in his specialty fields, but also volunteered to teach the Introductory Sociology course, which he saw as essential both as a gateway for potential sociology majors but also as part of students' knowledge of the nature of the social world in which they live whatever their major might be. Steve had very high professional and moral standards to which he held himself and well as his students. He helped many graduate students achieve the professional knowledge and skills that were necessary to their entry into the academic world. His scholarship and his dedication will be sorely missed, not only by the Stony Brook Department of Sociology, but also the discipline of sociology to which he was a valuable contributor of both knowledge and practitioners.

Emeritus Faculty Association (EFA) Member Update:

The Provost's Office has updated the EFA's member list! Below is the link for the updated contact information for all members. Please take a look and let us know if you notice any out-of-date or incorrect information about yourself or a colleague, please contact us at provost@stonybrook.edu with any changes.

<https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/emeritus/members.html>

Events around Campus:

Simons Center Cafe Wine Tasting and Food Pairing: November 1st, 6pm-8pm, Simons Center for Geometry and Physics Café.

Featuring local wines from: Lenz Winery, Paumanok Vineyards, Sparkling Pointe , One Woman Wines and Vineyard

\$35 pp includes all food and beverage. Reservations required, 21 and over. Call 631-632-2881 to reserve your spot!

#MeToo Stony Brook Series with Patricia Richards: November 7, 1:00-2:30pm, Humanities Building, Room 1008

Sexual Harassment and the Construction of Knowledge: The Case of Ethnography
[Patricia Richards](#), Professor of Sociology and Women's Studies, holds the Josiah Meigs Distinguished Teaching Professorship at the University of Georgia. She is an affiliate faculty member with the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute and the Institute of Native American Studies. She received her PhD from the University of Texas at Austin in 2002. She is the author of *Pobladoras, Indígenas and the State: Conflicts Over Women's Rights in Chile* (Rutgers 2004) and *Race and the Chilean Miracle: Neoliberalism, Democracy, and Indigenous Rights* (Pittsburgh 2013). Her forthcoming book with Rebecca Hanson (University of Florida) is called *Harassed: Gender, Bodies, and Ethnographic Research*. It will be published in 2019 by the University of California Press.

Co-Sponsors: Concerned Women of College of Arts and Sciences; Center for the Study of Inequality, Social Justice and Policy; Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Department; Department of Sociology; Department of History; The Humanities Institute at Stony Brook

Abstract: It is not uncommon for women researchers to experience sexualized interactions, sexual objectification, and harassment as they conduct research. Nevertheless, in ethnographic research, these experiences are often left out of ethnographers' "tales from the field" and remain unaddressed within our discipline. Drawing from over 50 interviews and analysis conducted together with Dr. Rebecca Hanson (University of Florida), I will use women's experiences with harassment in the field to interrogate the epistemological foundations of ethnographic methodology, examining three "fixations" of contemporary ethnography that inform understandings of and reactions to harassment in the field. These fixations are solitude, danger, and intimacy. Our data show that these fixations not only put researchers in danger but also have implications for the construction of ethnographic knowledge. They contribute to silence surrounding sexual harassment, and are motivated by and reproduce androcentric norms that valorize certain types of fieldwork. This case study of harassment in the context of ethnographic fieldwork indicates the urgent necessity for antiracist feminists to take control of the means of intellectual production in order to transform the academy.

Seawolves Football vs Delaware: November 10, 1pm, LaValle Stadium

SBU Postdoc Spotlight: November 15, 4:00pm-5:30pm, Wang Center- Lecture Hall 1

See a snapshot of SBU postdoc research in short TED-like talks. More info:

<https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/postdoc//spotlight/>

More Events can be found at:

<https://calendar.stonybrook.edu/>

<https://calendar.stonybrook.edu/site/staller-center/?view=list&search=y>

Participate in the Faculty Emeritus Documentation Project

The 2018-2019 academic year is a milestone in Stony Brook University history, as it marks the 61st anniversary of the institution. In an effort to document and preserve the unique and varied experiences of the university's emeritus faculty, a questionnaire has been designed to elicit the personal reflections of faculty members':

- impetuses for accepting academic positions at Stony Brook University.
- early experiences on the campus.
- views on the evolution and growth of the institution.
- contributions to departments and to the university.
- interactions with academic and administrative leadership.
- views on the institution's role in the community (local and wider).
- assessments of the university's mission and successes as a research university.

Your participation is vital to documenting Stony Brook University history.

Access information about the project and the questionnaire at:

<http://www.library.stonybrook.edu/special-collections-university-archives/university-archives/>

Visit our website: To visit our website, go to the University website at <http://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/emeritus/index.html>. It always contains the latest emeritus news (click on "Next Meeting"), a list of members' email addresses, a list of officers, newsletter archives and many other useful links.