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Making the Dean’s List

From left, Carol Maggio and Coach Jim Nelson, both of Athletics, and Carol’s sister, Sister Suzanne Fondini relaxing at the Dean’s Reception. See page 8-11 for more photos. (Photo by John Gillooly)

Web Policy Addressed in Light of Dramatic Upsurge in Use

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The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars will bring as many as 200 students to Boston for a two-week academic program to coincide with the Democratic National Convention in July 2004. Suffolk University will play host to the students and up to 30 faculty and staff.

The Washington Center has presented programs offering an in-depth look at the U.S. political process at both Democratic and Republican national conventions since 1984. The Center’s program combines classroom seminars and guest lectures with volunteer fieldwork, in cooperation with party officials, candidates, the media, political consultants and host cities.

The Washington Center chose Suffolk University because of its facilities and its location at the center of state and local government and its proximity to the Fleet Center. The C. Walsh Theatre, classrooms and residence hall rooms will be made available to the Washington Center students.

Suffolk faculty have been invited to work with The Washington Center in developing programming relevant to the students’ interest in government.

In addition, the Law School’s Adams Gallery will feature an exhibit titled, “All Politics is Local.” The exhibit draws its name from the wisdom of the late House Speaker Thomas P. “Tip” O’Neill, and it will touch upon his legacy, along with those of the late Congressman John Joseph Moakley and other Massachusetts political legends. Photos, oral histories, artifacts and documents will tell the story behind O’Neill’s political truism.

The University also has invited convention delegates and others to visit the campus to get a firsthand look at Suffolk’s outstanding academic programs. Access to function rooms, classrooms, conference rooms, the 400-seat C. Walsh Theatre and other facilities also may be made available.

Watch the SUN for continuing updates on Suffolk’s involvement with the Convention.

A Message From the Editor

Dear Readers,

There is much to celebrate as we approach the holiday season. Efforts to advance the mission of increased internal communication are evident all over campus. Great achievements are being realized as we investigate new technology and programs for the Web. The formation of the Strategic Planning Committee was announced last month, and other committees are poised to look at a range of campus issues.

The efforts of these teams meeting all over campus today to address issues of communication and message will fundamentally define who we are in the future. Never before has there been so much intellectual effort put to work at Suffolk to ensure that Gleason Archer’s mission of opportunity will be extended to many future generations.

Sometimes our message gets out through the efforts of individual members of the Suffolk family whose enthusiasm about the University is contagious. We met one such person — Anthony Voto — when reporting about our Mail Services Department. Those of you who don’t already know our mail maven may meet him in this issue of the SUN.

When Suffolk students and others need a bit of nurturing, they can find nourishment for both body and soul in the Donahue Cafeteria, where Gabriella Castellucci, Nina Petrillo and Maria Simons hold court each weekday. This issue of the SUN profiles these special women who look upon the Suffolk community as family.

And look for friends’ faces in our photo section from the Dean’s Reception at the Museum of Fine Arts.

The SUN will set during semester break but will come out again in late January. We look forward to hearing from you with news for that issue.

Rosemarie E. Sansone
Executive Editor

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At the same time there are many new initiatives occurring on campus. The strategic planning committee is forming sub-committees to assess and investigate important areas, including planned growth, technology, communication and community building, diversity/internationalization, quality and assessment. I encourage anyone interested to participate in this process, as these committees ultimately will shape the University’s future.

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**Adams Gallery features ‘El Congresista: Joe Moakley en El Salvador’**

*El Congresista: Joe Moakley en El Salvador* focuses on the civil war in El Salvador and its impact on the Salvadoran people through photos and documents drawn from the John Joseph Moakley Archive and other sources. The exhibit explores the late congressman’s growing involvement with Salvadoran refugees and citizens as he fought to improve immigration conditions and led a Congressional investigation into the murders of six Jesuit priests and two women at the University of Central America in San Salvador. When his probe revealed that the murders had been directed from the upper levels of the Salvadoran armed forces, Congress cut off military funding. Moakley’s efforts led directly to a U.N. peace accord and democratic elections in El Salvador. The exhibit shows Moakley’s efforts to bolster democracy in a country wasted by U.S.-supported civil war and tells about conditions in today’s El Salvador.

The exhibit runs through Feb. 29, 2004, at the Adams Gallery in Sargent Hall, 120 Tremont St. The gallery is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Hand-crafted leather artwork presented to Congressman Moakley by the Salvadoran Community in Washington. The lettering reads: “To Congressman Joe Moakley, for his love of the Salvadoran people and his persistent fight for human rights in El Salvador.”

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**Brochure to Document University’s Public Involvement**

Generosity is a sometimes overlooked attribute of Suffolk University’s community of scholars but one that is being brought to light as the Office of Public Affairs compiles a brochure detailing the benefits that flow out from the campus to the public.

The brochure will detail the activities of students involved in service learning, pro bono services offered by University departments, cultural activities supported and led by the University, and Suffolk’s involvement in civic affairs.

Feature stories and photos will give a more in-depth view of endeavors such as Suffolk’s participation in the JumpStart tutoring and mentoring program, a nationwide program that matches college students with preschool children from low-income/at-risk areas. Public Affairs also is learning about some of the outstanding community service efforts made at a personal level, such as coaching sports teams, advocating for interest groups or serving on committees.

The effort of Management Professor C. Gopinath of SSOM is but one example of how Suffolk people put their skills to work for others. He is director of a non-profit organization in the United States that raises funds to support charitable causes in India. One project he supports helps “street children” by moving them off the street into orphanages. Among the organization’s other efforts are providing scholarships to poor children and supporting a home for seniors.
Campus Cruiser Debuts at Law School

The Law School rolled out Campus Cruiser October 15, and within 48 hours, 100 students had entered the portal, according to Law School Registrar Lorraine Cove.

Campus Cruiser is a Web-based portal developed to promote interaction among all members of the law school community – faculty, students and staff. It provides a secure environment in which all the members of the Law School Community can receive and exchange information, said Cove. The Registrar’s Office manages Campus Cruiser for the Law School.

Students, faculty and staff can access an integrated campus and academic calendar and class calendars; receive e-mail and announcements that are student specific by group, classes, clubs, offices and committees; manage personal e-mail, tasks, appointments and calendars; view breaking news and law school news; and sync portal information to palm pilots. When entering Campus Cruiser using a single log-in, faculty may also access faculty Web services; schedules, class rosters and advisees and enter grades. Students may access student Web services, class schedules and grades; register for classes; get information on financial aid and tuition; and request transcripts without exiting Campus Cruiser. Students will be pre-registering for next semester’s classes through the portal. To avoid confusion, the law school OASIS link to Web services will be removed.

Committee members from across campus met for 18 months to discuss and plan how Campus Cruiser would be used at Suffolk. For the past three months, Law School stakeholders have worked intensively and extensively to customize Campus Cruiser to the Law School’s needs.

“It’s been a lot of work and a lot of hours, but we’re pleased with the way it turned out,” said Cove, who said the portal benefits everyone and has great potential as a communication and collaboration tool for all constituents within the law school community.

She said Campus Cruiser is dynamic, constantly changing to meet the needs of the community and not static like Web pages. “We are also rethinking our office business practices and our office Web pages,” she said.

All law school administrators may e-mail or send announcements to particular categories of students, such as first-years or students in concentrations. Faculty members may post messages, announcements, send e-mails, share files and links to a group of students, such as advisees. Students may also communicate with each other as members of a club, specific group and within classes. There is a directory of members within the portal available to other members of the portal, and students can file a non-disclosure to “opt out” of the directory.

“It will make everybody’s lives easier, in that Campus Cruiser adds an element to campus life that was not previously available,” said Cove.

For a look at the Law School’s Campus Cruiser portal, go to: http://prod.campuscruiser.com/suffolk-law

Suffolk Web Site’s Top Draws

Home Page
Sawyer Library
SAIL
NESADSU
Human Resources
CAS
Athletics
Undergraduate Admission
Virtual Tour
Office of Public Affairs
Programs
Graduate Admission
E-mail
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Student Services
Student Activities

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However, by 2000 there were 367,217 total visitors to the University Web site at www.suffolk.edu. They viewed Suffolk pages more than 4.6 million times.

Through September of this year, 438,166 visitors had viewed pages nearly 7 million times. Additional visitors would have gone directly to the CAS, Law School or SSOM sites.

The Web Policy Task Force includes representatives from MIS, CAS, SSOM Advancement and the Law School, chaired by University Media Services Director Midge Wilcke and Macdonald. The group’s proposed Web policy guidelines will be reviewed by the Administrative Council before they are finalized.

The revamped guidelines will set the stage for a Web Strategy Group to coordinate University-wide Web sites so that all sites will display pages that are identifiable as representing Suffolk University, while serving the specific needs and goals of individual schools, departments, programs and offices.

The Law School already is in the midst of a project to revise and redesign its Web site. The revamping will update the site’s navigation and design to make it easier to find information as well as promote news, events, administrative departments and significant accomplishments of faculty on the front page.
Mail Manager is a Man with a Mission

When Anthony Voto travels, he brings along pencils engraved with the Suffolk University name and finds excuses to hand them out to young people, serving as an ambassador for his alma mater.

His unbridled enthusiasm also accompanies him to work every day, where he strives to make the University’s operations more efficient and to save money as the award-winning manager of Suffolk University’s Mail Services Department.

“Anthony is always thinking of ways to streamline the process and save the school some money,” said Gail Ellis, dean of Law School Admission. Voto set up an addressing system for her department that can print 9,000 envelopes per hour.

Voto and his staff of six, all of whom have or are working on degrees — some of them advanced — move more mail than some small-town post offices. They handle 1 million pieces of incoming mail and nearly 1 million pieces of outgoing mail yearly, primarily for the Admission, Enrollment and Advancement departments.

Voto also employs as many as 40 work-study students each semester, supplemented by city youth during the summer and adults with significant learning disabilities through an internship program with Middlesex Community College. The department is staffed Monday through Saturday to keep up with the U.S. Postal Service.

Voto began working in Mail Services as a work-study student in 1984. He graduated from Suffolk in 1990 and began rising up the departmental ladder. Realizing the possibilities in the department, Voto uses incentives and a positive environment to encourage his work-study students.

“I honestly have a mission in keeping with what the University is all about: to provide education that keeps students here and offers them an opportunity to lead productive lives and give back to society,” said Voto. “It may not be a glamorous job, but I encourage people to stay in the business, because there’s always work.”

Voto said that all inter-office mail that comes into his office in the morning is delivered the same day. The system employed for memos is a bit more complicated. Generally Mail Services receives about 500 copies of memos going to the entire University. Because the number and distribution of employees changes constantly, some departments, particularly academic departments with adjunct faculty, are asked to make sufficient photocopies of the memo so that there will be a copy for everybody. This does not always happen. Hence, complaints.

But Voto is eager to receive feedback from those who use Suffolk’s mail system.

“The departments that use our services most successfully are the ones that ask questions,” said Voto, who takes the concept of service very seriously.

He is particularly interested in saving money for individual departments — and the

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University. His staff can help design mail pieces that are economical within the strict parameters set by the Post Office.

“The astute mailers send us a notice with a sample of the piece they’re mailing, including return cards or envelopes,” he said. “We try to get a discount on everything we send out, through the post office or distributors.” For example, a mailing to Europe would be shipped through a distributor, then posted at local rates in the destination country.

Watching Suffolk’s mail gives Voto a keen sense of the University’s evolution. When he first joined Mail Services, three to four pounds of mail went overseas each week. Now he’s sending thousands of pounds of international mail each year. And he’s handled everything from a coconut someone sent back from a Hawaiian vacation to live mice for a science lab.

Over the years, Voto’s leadership has won a number of awards for the department and for him personally. He was elected secretary of the Association of College & University Mail Services in July, and the often-imitated Mail Services Web site has won several industry awards.

But his office walls are not adorned with the symbols of his success. Instead, there is a series of photos from his travels. No matter what country or state he visits, he tours mail facilities to glean new ideas and brings back snapshots of himself posing next to mailboxes — from the Eiffel Tower mailbox to Disney’s Mickey Mailbox, where he posed with his 9-year-old son.

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Make the Most of Mail Services

To make the most efficient use of the Mail Services Department, Anthony Voto recommends the following:

• Let them know if it’s an emergency; they won’t let you down.
• Use the mail for marketing in a new way: A message, Web site address or insignia can be printed to the left of the postage meter mark.
• Plan your mailings according to the mail pickup times posted in your building. If your last pickup is at 3 p.m., and you deposit your mail at 3:30, it won’t enter the system until it’s picked up the next morning. If you miss the last posted pickup, walk the mail to one of the Mail Services offices, located in the Law School, Sawyer Building and 41 Temple Street.
• Use the Department’s award-winning Web site — www.suffolk.edu/mailservices — to plan for fast, efficient and cost-effective mailings.
• Sort labeled inter-office mail by academic division for faster delivery.
• If mailing to Washington, D.C., allow an extra day or two, because security has been high there since the anthrax scare.
• The slowest place to mail a letter is in a mail box. Take it to the Post Office or to Mail Services. They use the Post Office’s business mail services, which are faster.

Murray Wins Gold in Barcelona

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NESADSU Celebrates 80th Anniversary

Years ago, Bill Davis said that the New England School of Art & Design at Suffolk University (NESADSU) was “the best kept secret in Boston.” That statement may have been true back then, but it’s not anymore. Now celebrating its 80th anniversary, NESADSU is well known by everyone for its various programs designed to meet the educational and professional requirements of people within the local area and beyond.

A unit of the College of Arts and Sciences, NESADSU provides its students with an intensive art and design education while preparing its graduates to be creative and responsible members of a global society.

According to Davis, Chairman of NESADSU, the 1996 merger between the New England School of Art & Design (NESAD) and Suffolk University satisfied the needs of both institutions, resulting in a stronger whole and creating a dynamic educational presence in the city of Boston.

“NESADSU achieved the financial stability it had long sought, as well as access to liberal arts studies and a range of student services,” said Davis. “Suffolk, meanwhile, gained an established and well-regarded art department with 80 years’ experience in providing practical and personalized education to generations of aspiring artists and designers.”

Davis explained that a Masters Degree Program in Interior Design is now being offered at NESADSU, and plans are currently under way for a similar program in Graphic Design. He also pointed out that the number of students attending the school is at an all-time high.

“Due in large part to the merger, enrollment at NESADSU has skyrocketed to over 400 students,” said Davis. “Our rapid growth has made the acquisition of additional space necessary, and, since the merger, our facilities have expanded from 18,000 square feet to 33,000 square feet.”

The New England School of Art (NESA) was founded in 1923 in order to provide programs for students wishing to enter the professional world of art and design. In 1936, the school relocated to 186 Massachusetts Avenue, and then to 257 Commonwealth Avenue in 1941. At that time, there were 16 instructors, 239 students and a tuition fee of $225 per semester.

Following a few more moves, the school relocated to 28 Newbury Street in Boston’s Back Bay in 1975 and was renamed the New England School of Art & Design (NESAD), more accurately reflecting the range and scope of the institution. In March of 1996, NESAD merged with Suffolk, thus becoming the New England School of Art & Design at Suffolk University (NESADSU).

Today, thanks to the continued growth of the school’s wide range of programs, NESADSU occupies the entire second floor, as well as much of the basement, at 75 Arlington Street. This particular space, renovated to meet the needs of the school and its students, includes air-conditioned studios for foundation, graphic design, interior design and fine arts classes.

It also has a gallery to display the exhibition of work created both inside and outside the school community; an arts library (electronically tied to the Sawyer School of Management Library); and faculty and administrative offices.

“The merger with Suffolk has enabled us to do things that we wouldn’t be able to do as an independent school,” said Sara Chadwick, Director of Administrative Services at NESADSU. “Many of our people feel a very strong connection to NESADSU, both in their personal and professional lives. And every year our numbers continue to grow, as well as our reputation.”

On view at New England School of Art & Design’s Gallery 28

Photo-based digital images by Leigh Clark through Dec. 2.

“Different Strokes: Boston Painters David Moore, Martin Mugar and David Palmer” will be shown at the gallery from December 5 through January 6, 2004.


Gallery 28 at 75 Arlington St. is open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday 12 p.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday.
The Dean’s Reception is an annual event that brings the University community together for a social evening that traditionally marks the opening of the academic year. It also is a time to formally recognize the service of individuals employed at the University for ten or more years. Included here are photos from the event, focusing on those who were honored for 30 years of service to the University.

Honoring 30 Years

R. Lisle Baker, Professor of Law
Gerard Clark, Professor of Law & Faculty Adviser of Internship Program
Karen DeCilio, Media Coordinator, Office of Public Affairs
Robert DiGuardia, Director of Administrative Computing, Management Information Systems
Valerie Epps, Professor of Law & Director of the International Law Concentration
Nancy Fine, Managing Associate Director of Undergraduate Admission

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Bernard Keenan, Jr., Associate Dean & Professor of Law
Joseph McCarthy, Professor of Education & Human Services
Judy Minardi, Director of Human Resources
Bernard Ortwein, Professor of Law & Director of Foreign Summer Programs
Peter Sartwell, Associate Dean & Associate Professor of Education & Human Services
Susan Scott, Senior Programmer Analyst, Management Information Systems
R. Arthur Winters, Associate Professor of Education & Human Services

Associate Dean
Peter Sartwell.

Susan Scott, 2nd from right, celebrates with friends.

Associate Dean
Bernard Keenan and Dean.

Judy Minardi receiving her award from Frank Flannery.

Professor Joseph McCarthy, right.
Honoring 20 Years

Nizamettin Aydin, Marketing
Peter Caputo, English
Paula Degloria, Management Information Systems
Lorraine Depeiza, Undergraduate Admission
Jonathan Frank, Information Systems & Operations Management
Lisa Keaney, Advancement
Mary Lally, College Registrar
Myra Lerman, Dean’s Office, Sawyer School of Management
Geraldine Manning, Sociology
Andrea McEachern, Law School Clinical Programs
Shahruz Mohtadi-Haghigh, Economics
John Pagliarulo, University Police
Peter Porcello, Management Information Systems
Robert Rosenthal, Communication & Journalism
Charles Rounds, Jr., Law School
Paul Tanklefsky, Career Services/Coop Education
Midge Wilcke, University Media Services

From left, Anne and Gregory Peterson, President and Shirley Sargent, enjoying the evening.

From left, Vice President Marguerite Dennis and Mary Lally.

Lorraine DePeiza with her 20-year service award.

Chief John Pagliarulo with wife, Rose.

Peter Porcello receiving his award.

Paul Tanklefsky and his wife, Gay.
Honoring 10 Years

James Angelini, Accounting
Marie Ashe, Law School
Susan Atherton, Dean’s Office, Sawyer School of Management
Richard Beinecke, Public Management
Carolyn Boyes-Watson, Sociology
Rosanna Cavallaro, Law School
Kelly Deluca, College Registrar
Michael Duggan, Enrollment Research & Planning
Judith Entin, Graduate Admission
Julie Ann Hogan, Law Library
Sharon Lenzie, Dean’s Office, College of Arts and Sciences
Marie Matava, Public Management
Stephen McJohn, Law School
Robyn McLaughlin, Finance
Dawn Marie Medina, Student Accounts/Bursar
Iris Melendez, Undergraduate Admission
Helen O’Brien, Dean’s Office, Sawyer School of Management
Jennifer Ricciardi, College Financial Aid
Daniel Rothstein, Right Question Project
Linda Sandstrom Simard, Law School
Gail Sergenian, Accounting
C. Richard Torrisi, Dean’s Office, Sawyer School of Management
Keri Tuite, Advancement
Potpourri

Wedding bells have been ringing in Facilities Management recently! Best wishes go out to Brian McDermott, who married Crystal Burghardt on May 24, and to Brian Foster and Erin O’Brien, who were also married that day. And on Aug. 2 Brian Adams tied the knot with Julie Hertko … At a program sponsored by the law firm of Perkins, Elmer and Cohen in Boston, Andrew Beckerman-Rodau, Law School, spoke on choosing between protecting technology via patent law or via trade secret law … Beth Bower, the Moakley archivist, was voted a Fellow of the Massachusetts Historical Society… Victoria Dodd of the Law School is serving her last year of a three-year term on the Committee on Sections and the Annual Meeting of The Association of American Law Schools. This group oversees the work of 80 specialty sections and plans the annual meeting of the 8,000-member law professor group … Audrey Goldstein, of NESADSU, is included in the exhibition “Fiber Arts, contemporary fiber based work,” which runs through the month of November at the Concord Art Association … Cecy Gutierrez, Juvenile Justice Center, is a founding member of Fundacion Ritmo Guanaco, “For the Love of Life,” an organization that provides support to special needs children in El Salvador … Jonathan Haughton of Economics was the keynote speaker for the 2003 Fall Conference of the Economic Developer’s Council of Colorado (EDCC). He spoke on “Running to Stay Fit: The Challenge of Continuing Colorado’s Competitiveness.” … Alison Kelly Hawke and Sanjiv Jaggia of Economics passed the 2003 CFA (Chartered Financial Analyst) Level III exam… Nina Huntemann, Communication and Journalism, spoke at Clark University on the cultural impact of video games. She produced and directed the educational video, “Game Over: Gender, Race and Violence in Video Games” … Gail Meyers Lavin of the Cape Cod 2+2 program, was elected to the board of directors of the Cape Cod Community College Educational Foundation and serves on the public relations and business donors/major gifts committees. She is also treasurer of the Geraldine F. Lavin Memorial Scholarship Fund, corresponding secretary of the Cape & Islands Democratic Council and vice-chair of the Orleans Democratic Town Committee … Doris Lewis, Chemistry, has been named the 2004 Henry A. Hill Awardee for outstanding service to the northeastern section of the American Chemical Society … Dan McHugh of Student Activities served as the Suffolk Planning Team member of the 3rd annual Intercollegiate Leadership Summit … Margaret McNamara of Institutional Advancement performed in the play I Enjoy Being a Girl on Sept. 25 at the 2003 New Works Festival in Newburyport. She also co-chaired the corporate, foundation and government grants track of the Association of Fundraising Professionals’ 2003 conference on Oct. 21 … Law Professors Bernard Ortwein and Stephen Hicks joined members of the University of Lund, Sweden, law faculty in Hanoi, Vietnam, earlier this month to deliver a seminar on “Case Methods in Modern Legal Teaching” to a select group of teachers and judges from Hanoi Law University and the Law University in Ho Chi Minh City … Wesley Savick, Theatre, adapted and directed Eugene Ionesco’s Rhinoceros, which has been selected as a semi-finalist in the production competition of the Kennedy Center/American College Theatre Festival … Kristin Sarkisian, President’s Office, was on hand to meet Candace Bushnell, author of Sex and the City, 4 Blondes, and Trading Up at a book signing at the Brookline Booksmith … The Student Services Division recognized Curtis Hoover of Residence Life and Summer Programs, Elaine Schwager of Athletics and Katy Young of Student Activities for their outstanding levels of service to their department, the Student Services Division and the University community at the 13th annual Student Services Recognition Dinner … Randall Thurston of NESADSU has a show, “Twins,” at the Cynthia Von Buhler Gallery in Manhattan until Nov. 30. He also has “The Alphabet as Art” at the University of Massachusetts at Lowell from Nov. 7-15 … SSOM’s Rich Torrissi and Susan Atherton served as event coordinators for the meeting of the Association of Northeast Business Deans held in New Seabury on Oct. 2-3. This is the first time Suffolk has hosted the event … Congratulations to Mary Jane Walker of Finance and her husband, John, on the birth of their third son, Charlie, on Sept. 23 … Sandra Ward, Humanities and Modern Languages, is a veteran journalist who provides features about life and culture in the United States to a network of private radio stations in the German state of Bavaria. Recent topics included the Schwarzenegger campaign and the FIFA Women’s World Cup … Debra Weisberg, NESADSU, has an installation, “(Sub) Surface” in the grand staircase of the DeCordova Museum and Sculpture Park in Lincoln. The exhibition runs through Jan. 2004. …
New Faces At Suffolk

Please welcome our newest employees!

Matthew Abrams, Undergraduate Admission
David Berube, Law Library
Emma Cabrera, Law Library
Netsanet Defabachew, Ballotti Learning Center
William Delaney, Athletics
Roy Falby, Law Library
Jennifer Grady, University Police
Courtney Joy, Second Language Services
Elange Luc, University Police
Heather Caitlin Lynch, Ballotti Learning Center
Nadia Parejo, University Police
Paula Sack, Ballotti Learning Center
Andrew Beckerman-Rodau, Law School

Faculty Focus


Celeste Kostopulos-Cooperman, Humanities and Modern Languages, published, At the Threshold of Memory/Selected and New Poems by Marjorie Agosin (White Pine Press, NY), a bilingual critical anthology on the renowned Chilean poet and human rights activist, Marjorie Agosin.

Eugene Rodin, Physics, co-authored “Hydrogen Fuel Cell: Energy Alternative for Transportation.” The paper was presented at a conference sponsored by the Air and Waste Management Association in San Diego.


Tips on Accessing Your On-line Pay Statement

The Payroll Office has received calls from employees who are having problems accessing their on-line pay statements.

Please remember that the old site (www.paystatements.adp.com) closed down on Oct. 27. You must now register to see pay statements via the new site: www.ipay.adp.com.

The most common problems are:

- **Browser**: Use Internet Explorer only (version 5 or higher).
- **The Ipay registration pass code is**: suffolk-ipay
- **User Name**: your user name is the first letter of your first name, followed by your entire last name, followed by @suffolk. Please note the user name is not your e-mail address; do not add `.edu` to the end of your user name. Also there are no spaces in your user name.
- **Your password is case sensitive. Please remember this when creating your pass-word and accessing the site in the future.**

Please call the Payroll Office at ext. 8412 if you need further assistance in accessing your pay statement.

Annual Holiday Family Party

Human Resources will be hosting its annual Holiday Party for Employees and their Children (ages 0-12), on Sunday, December 7, 2 p.m.-4 p.m. in the Regan Gymnasium. Bring the family for some festive fun!

Correction

In the October issue of the SUN, Jay Julian Rosellini was listed as a KUDOS nominee from the History Department. Professor Rosellini teaches in the Department of Humanities and Modern Languages.
Lew Shaw, the newly appointed executive director of Suffolk University’s Dakar campus in Senegal, West Africa, is feeling on top of the world.

“This is going to be an amazing experience for me, both personally and professionally,” said Shaw, an assistant professor in the Accounting Department at Suffolk. “I can’t wait to get started.”

Shaw, who officially begins his new position in January, has visited Suffolk’s Dakar campus six times since it opened in 1999, almost exclusively to teach.

Earlier this month Shaw was in Senegal for the student convocation. The Suffolk contingent joining Shaw for the celebration of the new academic year included Vice President of Enrollment and International Programs Marguerite J. Dennis, international consultant Jim Sintros and Associate Professor of Management and Senegal campus Interim Executive Director Pierre du Jardin.

“It was a wonderful and festive ceremony attended by many Senegalese dignitaries,” said Shaw, who has been on the faculty at Suffolk for eight years. “Our first year in Dakar, we only had about seven or eight students. Today, we have 300 degree-seeking and ELI (English Language Institute) students representing 29 African countries. We’ve come a long way over the years, and the school continues to grow and prosper.”

Following the convocation ceremony, a stunning Suffolk-Dakar soccer field, built over the summer, was dedicated before a large and delighted audience. The Senegalese Minister of Sports kicked out the first ball. A game between the Suffolk-Dakar soccer team and a squad comprised of Senegalese television personalities followed.

“Soccer is taken very seriously in Senegal,” said Shaw. “A few years ago, when Senegal beat France in the World Cup, people celebrated like it was like a national holiday.”

Shaw has a number of goals for Dakar. “I would like to increase enrollment, both in our Dakar BSBA program and our English Language Institute,” he said. “I also would like to increase our study-abroad programs and develop our corporate education programs.”

When talking about the students in Senegal, Shaw’s face lights up. “The students are fantastic,” he said. “Their educational backgrounds are very sound, and they’re extremely motivated. They want to learn as much as they can and then go back to their countries and apply what they’ve learned.”

Shaw, 56, began his career at Suffolk’s Sawyer School of Management in 1996 as an adjunct faculty member. He was named assistant professor of accounting in 1999 and teaches at the undergraduate and graduate levels in Boston, Senegal and online. He will teach two accounting courses in Dakar. Shaw received his bachelor’s degree from New Hampshire College, his master’s in finance degree from Bentley College and his PhD from Durham University Business School in England.

Shaw also serves as adviser to the highly successful Beta Alpha Psi Accounting Honor Society. He oversaw the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program and has been an adviser and mentor with the Jobs for Youth program. Off campus, he is a master SCUBA diving instructor and played in the Cambridge Symphony Orchestra for 10 years.

Shaw is now preparing himself for a new and interesting challenge.

“I’m looking forward to working at Suffolk’s Senegal campus,” he said. “The students have few opportunities over there, so it feels good to be in the position of helping them to change their lives.”

Students in Dakar, Senegal. (Photo by Lew Shaw)
Sisterly Trio Lends Nurturing Air to Donahue Cafeteria

Gabriella Castellucci, Nina Petrillo and Maria Simons may not be related, but they act like they are – particularly when working in the Donahue Building cafeteria.

For these three delightful, personable and spirited Sodexho USA employees, Suffolk University has been an integral part of their lives for many years. It is a place where they have grown into an unheralded and united trio, a place where they share personal feelings and boisterous laughs, a place where they feel comfortable and relaxed.

“Suffolk is our home, our life,” said Simons, an entertaining 75-year-old who calls everyone “Honey” and has been working at Suffolk for 35 years. “I love everybody here and everybody loves me.”

“We’re like a family,” added Castellucci, 59, who has been a familiar face in the Suffolk café for 22 years. “I like working at Suffolk very much because everyone is so friendly.”

“It’s like we’re a team,” said Petrillo, 55, who has worked at Suffolk for 10 years. “We take care of each other.”

Simons and Castellucci live in Revere, while Petrillo, formerly of Revere, resides in Stoneham. Each of them commutes to Suffolk via public transportation. Castellucci and Simons meet at Beachmont Station in Revere and hop on the Blue Line together for the short ride to Boston. They all work Monday thru Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and they normally arrive one-half hour before their shift begins.

In the morning, Castellucci can be found preparing salads, Petrillo running the cash register and Simons in front of the grill. “Maria’s Special” (one egg, sausage and cheese on a bagel, toast or English muffin) is the number one choice on the menu.

“Everyone comes here for Maria’s breakfast,” said Castellucci. “If she’s not here, no one shows up.”

Throughout the day, the interaction between these three passionate women is lively and spontaneous. They play off each other in perfect rhythm, like characters in a sitcom. “We’re not quiet,” laughed Petrillo, whose daughter’s godmother is Castellucci. “We have a great time and a lot of fun.”

While they all have loved ones at home, Simons, Castellucci and Petrillo have been known to treat everyone in the Suffolk community (students, faculty, administrators and staff) as their extended family. They roll out the welcome mat for all visitors, making them feel important and appreciated.

When you order a cheeseburger and fries from one of these ladies, you’ll also get a bright smile and, on occasion, a bit of advice.

“I have a tremendous amount of respect and admiration for these gracious, upbeat and hardworking women,” said Christine Perry, Assistant Dean of Enrollment Management at Suffolk. “It’s clear they enjoy their work, and their enthusiasm is infectious. Suffolk is lucky to have them.”

“They have bubbly personalities and they genuinely care about people,” said Tom Fuller, General Manager of Sodexho USA, which employs about 75 people in the various cafeterias on campus. “They have a wonderful rapport with everyone, and the students even talk with them about family matters.”

According to Fuller, if Castellucci, Petrillo or Simons is out sick, everyone is concerned about how they’re doing and when they’re coming back. This is what happens when you have three people, natural experts in the area of customer service, working as one. “We all get along,” said Simons. “It’s like we’re sisters.” •
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Dealing with Hoax E-mail

Recently many users have received e-mail warnings about viruses, which turn out to be hoaxes. All over the world, the number of “hoax” e-mails entering e-mailboxes is increasing, wasting useful time and resources.

To prevent hoaxes from spreading at Suffolk University, the Network Services Group (NSG) asks that e-mail users not forward any virus warnings of any kind to anyone other than the Network Services Group at nsg@suffolk.edu. It doesn’t matter if the virus warnings have come from an antivirus vendor or been confirmed by any large computer company. All virus warnings should be sent to nsg@suffolk.edu alone. It is the NSG’s job to send all virus-related warnings if appropriate, and a virus warning that comes from any other source should be ignored.

New Schedule for Computer Downtime

Friday-afternoon computer system shutdowns are a thing of the past, as MIS has rescheduled system maintenance to the first Monday of each month between 6 and 8 a.m. System maintenance, which involves hardware/software upgrades and patches, previously had been scheduled for Friday afternoons. The new schedule was chosen after consultation with the University administration.

MIS and the University Strategic Planning Technology Committee are also is considering standardizing University Internet access on a single browser.

“Since Microsoft has won the browser war, we are seeing application developers rolling out Web applications only supported using Internet Explorer,” said Fuad Yatim, director of the Network Services Group. The payroll office has been developing applications that are better supported with Internet Explorer than with the Netscape browser, he said.

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