University Purchases Tremont Buildings For New Law School

The University has completed the purchase of two abandoned buildings at 110-120 Tremont St. and will erect a state-of-the-art new home for Suffolk University Law School on the property after razing the present structures.

The project will be part of a revitalization of the historic Tremont street neighborhood. Suffolk bought the properties from Olympia & York, a Canada-based real estate empire, for an estimated $5.5 million.

Vacant for four years, the buildings have been an eyesore and date back to the 1890s and are beyond renovation. The University plans to construct an eight-story building with 250,000 square feet of floor space. The edifice would house modern lecture halls, moot courtrooms, classrooms, law libraries, and faculty and administrative offices.

Presently housed in the Donahue Building, erected in the mid sixties, the 1700 law students would be located in an area that houses such historic features as

$650,000 Grant For Low Income Family Education Workshops

Suffolk University and the Right Question Project have received a $650,000 grant from the DeWitt Wallace-Reader’s Digest Fund to develop a program to help low-income families monitor and improve their children’s education.

The grant, which covers a three-year period, was one of three totaling $1.9 million announced by the Fund to support programs nationwide in the education of their children.

Other grants are to the National Urban League, New York, $605,000 to create five Parent Councils in local affiliates around the country and strengthen existing groups at 11 other sites, and to The National Parent Network on Disabilities, Washington, D.C., $600,000, to offer training in inclusive education to staff members of 37 statewide parent organizations that provide assistance for families who have children with disabilities.

The grants were made as part of the Fund’s School/Family Partnership initiative, which supports groups that work with low-income and African American and Latino families, and parents of children with disabilities. The latest grants bring the Fund’s investment in the Partnership to $7.6 million.

The Suffolk and Right Question Project will be used to train more than 140 persons to conduct workshops for approximately 7500 low income families and strategies for monitoring and improving their children’s learning.

Dr. Agnes Bain of Government and Ana Rodrigues of the Right Question Project will administer the Suffolk grant. Bain said the project is designed “to remove barriers to parents’ involvement” in the education of their children. “In some parts of the population, there is not very much parental involvement,” Bain noted, “because, in most cases, parents say they don’t know what questions to ask. Generally, the project will help parents ask the right questions.”
President's Statement On Diversity Policy

(For those who may have missed it or would like a copy, The SUN this month is carrying President Sargent's recent statement on diversity policy at Suffolk University. In addition, the accompanying box lists the members of a Diversity Task Force formed as a result of a September conference on diversity in the University community.)

To: The Suffolk University Community
From: David J. Sargent, President
Re: Diversity Policy Statement

I am pleased to announce that the Board of Trustees and the Administrative Council have approved the following policy statement:

Suffolk University has given a high priority to creating a truly multicultural, multiracial, gender-balanced community receptive to cultural diversity. The future vitality of Suffolk and other urban universities depends on their ability to be responsive to and provide a welcoming climate for people of many cultures.

As part of Suffolk's efforts to reach this goal, the University strives to create and actively promote a welcoming and supportive environment in order to recruit, hire, retain and support a culturally diverse faculty and staff. University policies and procedures concerning faculty and employee development are structured to encourage such diversity. Likewise, the University strives to actively recruit and retain a widely diverse student body. Faculty and employees are encouraged to actively promote such diversity and such welcoming environment for all. Efforts to achieve those goals will be favorably considered in evaluations.

The University is also committed to creating and maintaining educational curricula in each of its schools that incorporate the values of a multicultural and diverse community and that reflect the pluralism of the United States and the world society. This commitment is congruent with the University's stated mission to prepare and educate men and women to be future leaders and citizens who can function effectively in an evolving, pluralistic and increasing diverse society.

The University further seeks to ensure that student support services, academic support services and co-curricular programs at Suffolk University are sufficiently diverse to meet the needs of a multicultural student body. Alumni activities and community networks will also be utilized to promote the goals of diversity.

A Diversity Task Force has emerged from the working group that organized the September, 1992 conference entitled "Suffolk University: Rebuilding a Diverse Community." This task force has been requested to formulate suggestions as to appropriate actions to insure that this statement is realistic. In the coming months, task force members will solicit comments from students, faculty and staff members. I look forward to your cooperation in this matter.

Diversity Task Force

The following members of the Suffolk University Community have been appointed to the Diversity Task Force formed to help implement the University statement on diversity:

- Sharon Artis-Jackson, Presidential Assistant, chairperson
- Law Prof. Eric Blumenson
- SOM Associate Prof. Clarence Cooper
- CLAS Associate Prof. Judith Dushku
- Registrar Mary A. Hebron
- Counseling Center Prof. Paul Korn
- SOM Assistant Prof. Colleen Jones
- SOM Associate Prof. Jacqueline Landau
- CLAS Associate Prof. Geraldine Manning
- Associate Director of Human Resources Daniel McDonald
- CLAS Prof. Maria Miliora
- Director of Human Resources Judith Minardi
- CLAS Prof. Donald Morton
- Director of Financial Aid Christine Perry

- Law School Prof. Richard Perlmutter
- ESL Program Director Fernanda Rodrigues
- Director of Student Activities Donna Schmidt
- Ballotti Learning Center Associate Director Rose Wright
- Student Representatives Arlene Santiago of SUHA; Rashita Clark of the Black Student Union; and Erica Christenson of SGA.
As a new feature starting this month, The SUN, with the assistance and cooperation of the University Communications Committee, will carry summaries of selected committee meetings on campus each issue. Readers should contact Elliot Gabriel, Communications Committee chair, as the contact person.

CLAS Education Policy Committee—Ken Greenberg, History, Chair.

Working on revisions to the curriculum and have submitted their work to the Faculty Assembly for action. The agenda for the Spring includes a discussion of the proposal to add a third activities period to the weekly calendar and issues related to re-invigorating the effort to establish Writing Across the Curriculum.

CLAS/SOM Joint Chairpersons Meeting—Ed Harris, Communication and Journalism, and David Pfeiffer, Public Management, co-conveners.

Discussed a range of issues and made a proposal to have a full-time security presence in each campus building during class times. Also discussing availability of classrooms and scheduling of evening classes.

University Communications Committee—Elliot Gabriel, Associate Dean of Students, chair.

Proposed incorporating a calendar feature and summaries of selected committee meetings in The SUN, both of which were instituted in this issue. Will propose the establishment of a Crisis Communications Committee responsible for responding to a range of emergency situations on campus and with keeping the University community informed about crisis events. It also will propose installing an electronic message system in Sawyer, similar to the system now in use in the Donahue Building.

Residence Life Committee—Nancy Stoll, Dean of Students, chair.

In anticipation of the success of the University’s efforts to acquire a residence facility, Dean Stoll has convened a committee composed of representatives from all departments that will be directly involved with the University’s Residence Life Program: Security, Health Services, Counseling Center, Admissions. The committee has been meeting with residence life staff from other universities to discuss their policies and procedures, reading literature in the fields of student development, residence life, risk management and other aspects and has been working on a mission statement for the Residence Life Program.

SOM Undergraduate Program Committee—Beverly Kahn of CIS, chair.

Discussing a range of issues related to the AACSB Self-Study: a review of prerequisites, transfer policy, validation procedures and waiver policy, the proposal for an ethics course, the undergraduate missions and objectives, and early warning system for freshmen, improving undergraduate advising and course scheduling.

Graduate Program Committee—Robert DeFillipi of Management and Tom Magliozi of Marketing, co-chairs.

Discussing the proposal for a joint MBA/Graduate Accounting Program and issues related to course integration within the MBA curriculum.

S.U. Will Host “Kids To College” Program

For the second straight year, Suffolk University will participate in the “Kids to College” program for underserved sixth grade pupils and sponsored by the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Massachusetts, the Higher Education Coordinating Council, the Higher Education Information Center and the Massachusetts Department of Education.

The program, which involves more than 20 local colleges, is an innovative early awareness program that introduces sixth grade students to the concept of higher education. A year ago, some 600 students from Boston, Cambridge, and Chelsea took part in the six-week curriculum. It was renewed this month.

Suffolk is again paired with the Fletcher School in Cambridge with Education Prof. Glenn Lewandowski serving as campus liaison. The schedule will feature talks by Lewandowski to the students and undergraduate students and alumni are also expected to visit the sixth graders.

The program will be highlighted by an April visit of the 24 pupils to Suffolk’s campus for a luncheon and talks by CLAS Dean Michael R. Ronayne Jr. and Dean Marguerite J. Dennis of Enrollment Management and Retention, and tour of the facilities.

Funded by the Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae), the program pairs students with local colleges or universities.

"Kids to College is unique in its outreach to sixth graders recognizing that this is a particularly critical point for decisions that affect a child’s future education," said Alison Smith, director of public relations for AICUM.
March
1 - Opening ceremony of “A Celebration of Colours,” the start of Cultural Unity Week. Fenton Lounge 1 p.m.
3 - Cultural Extravaganza - Culture, Music, Singing, Food and Dance. Sawyer Cafeteria 6 p.m.
5 - Law School Alumni Directors Meeting. McDermott Conference Room 10 a.m.
7 - Graduate Information Session. One Beacon Street 5:30 p.m.
8 - “Madonna And Post Modern Culture.” Jackie Joyce, Presenter. Sawyer 427 1 p.m.
8, 9 - EDSA Coffee receptions. Fenton and Sawyer Lobbies 4:30 p.m.
9 - Gospel Night. West End Church, Cambridge Street. 7 p.m.
10 - Travel Day- A Campus-Wide Event by Student Activities. 11 a.m.
13 - Emmanuel Music: Sunday Concert Series. C. Walsh Theatre. 4 p.m.
14 - General Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting. Vice President’s Conference Room. 5:30 p.m.
21 - College New Music- Concert # 2. C. Walsh Theatre. 8 p.m.
22 - “When Abortion was Illegal-Untold Stories.” Lecture by Alexandra Todd, chair of Sociology. Site to be announced. 1 p.m.
24 - The Clothesline Project-Awareness About Violence Against Women. Fenton Lounge. Time to be announced.
25 - EDSA Monthly Meeting. Sawyer 521. 5:30 p.m.
31 - “Some of Us Are Mothers, All of Us Are Daughters. Donna Barkman, presenter. Sawyer 427. 1 p.m.

April
6-7 - EDSA Coffees. Fenton and Sawyer Libraries. 4:30 p.m.
7 - Suffolk University Job Fair. Ridgeway Gymnasium. 4:30 p.m.
II - Graduate Information Session. One Beacon St. 5:30 p.m.
13-16 - Suffolk Student Theatre presents EQUUS, directed by Marilyn Plotkins. C. Walsh Theatre. 8 p.m.

Student Theatre Presents Equus April 13-16

Suffolk University’s Student Theatre will present EQUUS by Peter Shaffer in four performances scheduled for 8 p.m. in the C. Walsh Theatre on April 13, 14, 15 and 16.

Suffolk’s Marilyn Plotkins will direct this award-winning play, which traces a psychiatrist’s investigation into a bizarre crime. It is based on a true story, told in vivid theatrical terms dramatizing the struggle of a boy who inexplicably blinded six horses and the psychiatrist's effort to seek a motive for the terrible crime.

The Wall Street Journal has called it “one of the most powerful and provocative theatre experiences of our time.”

Rehearsals began on Feb. 17. A reminder: Tickets for productions and performances at the C. Walsh Theatre are half price for those showing Suffolk University IDs.

Tremont Buildings
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the Granary Burial Ground, Park Street Church, St. Paul’s Cathedral, and Tremont Temple. The Donahue Building will eventually be occupied by other segments of the institution.

“The final design of the new Law School building will complement the character of the surrounding area,” President David J. Sargent said.

James A. Campbell, Suffolk’s new vice president for development, said that the new law school will be “a key component in the revitalization of the area.”

Campbell, who previously served as director of major gifts at Holy Cross College, will work with the Board of Trustees to insure financial support necessary for the project. Estimates peg the cost at between $50 and $60 million.

Law School Dean Paul R. Sugarman has called the Tremont site “perfectly suitable” for the new edifice.
Kim Delaware Larkin - She has become associate director in the Graduate Admission office after serving in College Admissions and Adult Evening Studies. She organized a special two-part GMAT test-taking free course and co-sponsored by Grad Admissions and the Stanley Kaplan Test Center. Forty undergraduates nearing completion signed up. Another session is scheduled for March 5.

Warren Briggs, chair of CIS - He is a committeeman for the national meeting of the Institute of Management Science to be held in Boston April 24-27. Twelve members of the School of Management faculty are scheduled to take part in this meeting of more than 2000 faculty and practitioners at the Marriott Copley Hotel.

Victoria Dodd, Law faculty - In her role as chairperson of the law and education section of the Association of American Law Schools, she planned and moderated a panel on “School Choice: An Assessment” at the AALS annual meeting in January.

Margaret Collins Weitz, Humanities and Modern Languages - She served as guest editor for a special issue of Contemporary French Civilization and has been named review editor for the publication. The issue she edited features papers from the October, 1992 conference on women in the French Resistance which she organized at Suffolk and Harvard University. Prof. Weitz undertook the project while on a Camargo Fellowship last Fall at Cassis’ France.

Myra Lerman, SOM Dean’s Office - She has been invited to join the Academic Affairs Think Tank, a group sponsored by the New England Resource Center for Higher Education.

Clarence Cooper, Management - He is chair of the advisory board of the Academy of Public Service, a progressive and responsive school initiative that works cooperatively with schools and private industry to provide programming and support for student needs. He has already brought Academy students to Suffolk for a tour of the institution.

Nancy Stoll, Dean of Students - The Dean is serving on the Massachusetts Advisory Board for the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators. She is also a member of the program committee for the National Identification Program for Women.

Dilip K. Ghosh, Finance - His book, The Changing Environment of International Financial Markets: Issues and Analysis (with Edgar Ortiz) has just been published by MacMillan. Ghosh recently was elected director of the International Trade and Finance Association and is serving as chair on a conference on the globalization of business to be held in Reading, UK in July.

James Hannon, Sociology - His article, “Animal Behavior Science as a Social Science: the Success of the Empathic Approach in Research on Apes,” was published in Anthrozoos.


Fran Burke, Public Management - She spearheaded a drive by the MPA Association to collect sweaters for the neighboring Church of the Advent in its efforts to provide a meal and sweater for the homeless at a pre-Christmas dinner. Efforts like this and her contributions in the public sector over the years helped win Fran a recent tribute from the Globe’s Bob Turner in a pre-holiday column on Saints and Scoundrels. Turner noted that Burke “has helped us all understand the nation’s founding, relations of public and private service and the progression of women’s roles.”

Mary Burke, Government - She was one of 38 college and university professors from throughout the nation chosen for C-SPAN’s Winter 1994 Seminar for Professors in Washington, D.C. in January. The seminar unites professors from such disciplines as political science, journalism, speech and public policy. Prof. Burke was selected through a competitive application process open to all of the 4500 college-faculty members of C-SPAN in the Classroom, the cable television network’s free national membership organization for educators.

Jeannette Hixon, Student Activities - She served as a panelist twice at the 1994 ACU-I and NACA New England Graduate School Workshops Feb. 4 at the University of Connecticut. The subjects at the graduate student workshop, Cultivating Partnerships for a Brighter Future, were “First Year Professionals Talk- We Made It So Can You” and “Orchestrating Your Job Search.”
Personnel

Staff Training Programs Set

The Spring series of staff training and development programs will kick off with a program for support staff on "Managing Multiple Managers" March 23 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the CMD Conference Room. The program will cover such topics as handling conflicting priorities, streamlining tasks and improving systems, and communicating your needs to match your managers.

Brenda Cureton-Smith, a trainer specializing in support staff development, will conduct the workshop.

Dan McDonald of Human Resources says that the brochure outlining and describing the Spring series should be available shortly. This will include a complete list of programs, dates, times and enrollment information and those interested are advised to read through the brochure and sign up for programs of interest.

The computer programs will include Advanced WordPerfect, Intro to Windows, Internet Navigation and a new course, Getting Organized: More PC Basics. The course, to be taught by Darlene Poplawski of MIS, reviews file organization and file structure on the PC. You’ll learn to create directories in DOS and WordPerfect, copy files into newly created directories, format diskettes and copy files onto diskettes for backup in DOS as well as in WordPerfect.

Topics for the Supervisors’ Network include The Appraisal Interview, which focuses on the fundamentals of good performance interviewing techniques and Growing in Place, centering on a discussion of ways to help staff who have been in the same job for a period of time to develop.

Changes In UNUM Pension Plan

Two changes to the UNUM pension plan went into effect Jan. 1. The 7 per cent penalty for transferring money out of UNUM has been eliminated provided the transfer amounts to no more than 20 per cent of the account balance when making a partial transfer or when transferring your entire account that the transfer be made over a five-year period. You may transfer money to TIAA-CREF or Fidelity Investments.

And the new interest rate declared by UNUM is 5.75 per cent. If you have an outstanding loan through UNUM, you may be able to renegotiate your loan at this lower rate.

For more information about UNUM, transfers or loan renegotiation please call Dan McDonald in Human Resources at Extension 8416.

U.S. Savings Bonds Opportunity

Staffers now have the opportunity to purchase U.S. Savings Bonds through payroll deductions.

Dan McDonald of Human Resources explains, “This is a nice way to save for a child’s education, a retirement or just for a rainy day. You choose how much you would likededuced from your paycheck. The deductions accumulate until you have enough to purchase a $100 U.S. Savings Bond.”

McDonald urges those interested to call the National Bond and Trust Co. at 1-800-328-3230.

Get Fit At A Discount

Suffolk employees are eligible for a 15 per cent discount from Fitcorp, which is located at One Beacon Street on the street floor. By joining, you get that discount off the standard membership fee.

Fitcorp is staffed with university-trained and certified exercise physiologists, fitness specialists and health educators. It offers you the unique opportunity to meet with a staff member on an individual basis in order to develop a personalized plan which offers the proper mix of fitness and wellness programs. If you’re interested call Fitcorp at 248-9797 to arrange for a complimentary workout.

New Employees

Chiofolo, Christopher of Norfolk, Law Library, library assistant.

Delaney, Ellen of South Boston, legal reference librarian, Law Library.

Garrity, Joel of Norwood, library assistant, Law Library.

Gonzales, Diana of Roslindale, clerk, Mailroom.

Grano, Kristina of Newton, secretary, Law Admissions.

Hines, Virginia of Concord, physician’s assistant, Health Services.

McCarthy, Joseph of South Boston, evening/weekend supervisor, Law Library.

McDonough, Erin of Watertown, secretary, Education and Human Services.

Mukendi, Carmen of Boston, Library assistant, Law Library.

Ricciuti, Maureen of South Boston, counselor, Law Placement.

Shafer, Cheryl of Revere, staff assistant, Physics & Engineering.
Potpourri
by Lou Connelly

Welcome back to Chris Perry, who had back surgery at Mass. General Hospital and to SOM Dean Jack Brennan, who also went under the knife at MGH. And we hope to see Pat Piscitelli, veteran University policeman back soon. He also had back surgery...

The University hosted its annual celebration of the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Jan. 20. Keynote speaker was the Rev. Anthony Trufant, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Brooklyn, N.Y. In his message, “Run Faster,” he urged his audience to honor the legacy of Dr. King by striving consistently for excellence despite a myriad of social and economic obstacles...

February, of course, marked the celebration of Black History Month and as part of Suffolk’s 5th annual celebration, Robert A. Bellinger and Kenneth S. Greenberg opened the program to the entire University community to participate. Members of the community gave individual presentations as part of the observance...

Two staffers have completed degree requirements. Paula DeGloria of MIS, received a B.A. in Education and Human Services while John Richard of the Budget Office gets his MBA...

And Teri Malioneck of SOM reminds us that the first graduates of the Master of Science in Taxation programs are Robert Miller and Matthew Szostkiewicz and the Advanced Certificates in accounting went to William Abrams and Elizabeth Giuliano...

Maternity Watch: Karen Regan of the College Registrar’s Office is expecting in June and Annette Gentile of the Business Office is infanticipating in April...Mike McGrath, corporal on the University Police Force has joined the City of Somerville’s Police Department...

Congrats to Kelly Arnao of the College Registrar’s Office on her engagement to fellow Billerica resident Donald DeLuca. They’re planning an October, 1995 wedding...

It’s still away off but put Saturday, Oct. 1 down on your calendar. That’s when the annual All-Deans’ reception will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at the World Trade Center. Jim Nelson, social committee chair, welcomes suggestions or recommendations from the community...

Mawdudur Rahman of Accounting spearheaded a WBZ Action 4 drive to support mid-West flood victims in the Summer of 1993. He is again asking the Suffolk family to support another WBZ drive, for the earthquake victims in California. Checks should be made payable to The Salvation Army or sent to him or Mary Hill in Sawyer 632, Extension 8372 or 8652...

We in the Development Department are going to miss Assistant Director of Communications Tracy Dixon, who has taken her talents back to her hometown of Seattle following the death of her father, Nathaniel Dixon...

Interesting note from the latest Suffolk University Counseling Center report: Approximately nine out of every 10 undergraduate students who sought counseling assistance during the 1988 to 1993 Fall terms were in good academic standing with more than half carrying Dean’s List averages...

If you are a Suffolk old-timer (20 years or longer), you might remember a basketball player named Allan “The Dart” Dalton, who won All New England honors for his spectacular play for Suffolk in 1971. He was later drafted by the Celtics and Memphis Pros of the American Basketball League. He never made it but the story doesn’t end there. Now a realtor in Franklin Lakes, N.J., Dalton got up at 4 a.m. on a recent Saturday morning, drove to Boston for the annual Suffolk alumni game at
The 43-year-old backcourt man hit 14 out of 18 three-point shots and scored 53 points as his team defeated another S.U. alumni squad 122-112. Must in December, discussing cultural diversity and the celebration of holidays...

Morris McInnes, chair of Accounting, will be on sabbatical for the coming academic year. He’ll be a visiting full professor at MIT’s Sloan School of Management...

Sabbaticals in the Law School were approved for Profs Benjamin Kaplan, Linda Fentiman, and Tommy Thompson...

In the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences promotions were granted for Psychology’s Jack Demick from associate professor to professor, Fred Marchant of Humanities and Modern Languages, associate prof to prof, and tenure was voted Krisanne Bursik, associate professor of psychology, Frank Feldman, professor of physics and engineering, Raymond Kelton, associate professor of humanities and modern languages, and Robert Topitzer, associate professor of sociology...

Our sympathies this month to Sadiq Khaliqi of the Physical Plant on the passing of his father, Abdul, and to Barbara Pfeiffer on the death of her mother Barbara Glennon... And to Geraldine Manning, and Steven Spitzer of Sociology on the deaths of their mothers, Loretta Manning and Sue Spitzer...

The late Sherm Feller, Sox PA announcer and long-time songwriter, was a 1940 graduate of the Law School and had returned to campus on a number of occasions for reunions. He was a Damon Runyon character of a vanishing breed and great story teller...

The Sawyer Charitable Foundation of Boston has awarded a grant of $21,263 to the University to support the purchase of a series of CD-ROM data base subscriptions at the Mildred F. Sawyer Library. Carol Sawyer Parks, the foundation’s executive director and a Suffolk trustee, notes the grant is a continuing reflection of the Sawyer family’s commitment to the development of the library named for her mother. Library Director Ted Hamann said the grant will permit the library to add to its resources a package of database subscriptions available in the electronic media (CD-ROM) and will greatly enhance services to both students and faculty.

It is nice to hear that one of Suffolk University’s closest friends, long-time bursar and alumna Dorothy McNamara is back on her feet after fracturing a vertebrae in a fall at her West End home. Dottie Mac, the perennial Miss Suffolk, served Suffolk for some 47 years, working for founder Gleason L. Archer in her early years. She retired in 1974...

Among new Boston Police Commissioner Paul F. Evans’ fine credentials: He has a juris doctor degree from Suffolk Law School, Class of 1978... A big cheer for Maureen “Moe” Brown, Suffolk senior who just became the all-time leading scorer in Suffolk women’s basketball history by scoring 30 points in a 65-59 victory over Pine Manor College giving her 1345 career points to eclipse Ellen Crotty’s mark of 1326 set 1990...

SOM and the Ford Hall Forum are teaming up March 24 for a reception to honor business leaders Bennett R. Cohen, chairman of Ben & Jerry’s, Sharon Cohen, executive director of Reebok Foundation, and Arnold Hiatt, chairman of the Stride Rite Foundation. The reception will be followed by a presentation by the above honorees at the Old South Meeting House on Washington Street. The presentation will be entitled “How To Do Well By Doing Good.” Suffolk senior Michael Coombs has been awarded a $2,000 scholarship by The Washington Center. The scholarship supports a Washington internship for this semester with funds provided by the NYNEX Corporation. Government Prof. John Berg, who coordinates the Washington program for the University, says Suffolk has been sending interns to Washington since 1978. Coombs, a communications major, will receive 15 hours of academic credit for the internship and a related course...

Dawna Gyukeri of Development reminds members of the Suffolk community that there are still some prints from the family holiday party that have not been claimed. If you or your offspring had your picture taken that day, check with Dawna...

And thank you for all the well wishes on my becoming a grandfather. Kyle Connelly Albanese weighed in at 8 pounds 10 ounces on February 8. Proud parents are Mike and Paula Albanese...

Keep warm. Winter’s nearly over. We hope! ❖

Paralegal Program Wins ABA Approval

Suffolk University recently received notable recognition from the American Bar Association when it granted formal approval for the University’s Paralegal Studies Programs.

Suffolk’s Education and Human Services Department received word of the ABA approval on Feb. 7. The favorable action makes Suffolk one of only three institutions of higher learning in Eastern Massachusetts to merit such recognition for its Paralegal Studies Programs.

Suffolk’s Paralegal Studies Programs began in 1984 as the Lawyer’s Assistant Certificate Program. In 1988 it was changed to Paralegal Studies Certificate program. To obtain the certificate, students are required to take 10 three-credit courses. In 1992, Suffolk became the second Boston-area institution to initiate a bachelor’s degree in paralegal studies. ❖