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Americans, while from this eminence scenes of luxuriant fertility, of flourishing commerce & the abodes of social happiness meet your view, forget not those who by their exertions have secured to you these blessings.

These words are carved in stone on the base of the Beacon monument, perched atop Beacon Hill in the State House parking lot. The General Court placed the now famous beacon on that site in 1634, where it stood until 1790, when it was replaced by a brick and stone monument designed by Charles Bulfinch. The monument was removed in 1811 when the hill was cut down to fill in what is now the Back Bay area of the city. The present monument was reproduced in stone by the Bunker Hill Monument Association in 1898.

The rich words and history hold much meaning for the Suffolk University student of 1985, the year of the 50th anniversary of our College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, because we at Suffolk also have a significant history of which to be proud. And in remembering that history, we shall not forget those who by their exertions have secured for us the blessings of opportunity. You, the Suffolk graduate, are the monument to that ideal.
SENIORS
To the Graduating Seniors of 1985:

More than 100 years ago, Louis Pasteur wrote, "chance favors the prepared mind." For more than three-quarters of a century Suffolk University students have earned a reputation for taking their education seriously and using their opportunity to attend Suffolk University to good advantage. The University's educational objective has remained constant over these years — to provide successive generations with a capacity for continued educational, professional and social growth on which they could build over a lifetime.

Your education did not take place in isolation. You learned from your teachers and from your fellow students; you took an active role in both setting and implementing your educational goals. You were enriched by educational experiences outside, as well as inside, the classroom. In this complex and dynamic interplay of faculty, friends, academic programs and co-curricular learning facilitated by our geographic location on Beacon Hill, you have gotten a good education, you have expended your horizons and tested your abilities. I hope that this in this process you have developed competence and a confidence in your own talents.

I congratulate you for what you have accomplished while at Suffolk University and for what you will accomplish in the future. Your faculty, the trustees and I take pride in your achievements as we take pride in the achievements of those men and women who have proceeded you. You are now a part of a great and continuous stream of distinguished Suffolk University alumnae/i who have gone forth to bring honor to their families, their community and their alma mater. My best wishes to you all.

Sincerely,
Daniel H. Perlman
President
STUDIOUSLY SUFFOLK
MORE FUN ON FRIDAYS AT THE RAT
During his thirty-seven years as a member of the English Department — seventeen of those years as its Chairman — Dr. Vogel brought acclaim to Suffolk University as a renowned scholar of the literatures of England, Germany and America. As an administrator, he built the Department into a strong and multifaceted body, pioneered in the field of interdisciplinary studies, spearheaded the formation of the Literary Society and of Venture, the student literary magazine, and served tirelessly on every faculty committee.

But it is as a teacher, advisor and friend that he will be best remembered by the thousands whose lives were enriched by his tutelage. He made literature exciting, showed that writing is a demanding but rewarding discipline, used his own experiences as a researcher and world traveler to enhance his lectures, and spent countless hours to ensure that each student would realize his or her own full potential. Such rare dedication will be greatly missed.

Quoting Milton, a poet he has taught so often, Dr. Vogel has recently stated his plan "of going on, like Lycidas, 'to fresh woods and pastures new." The students and faculty salute him at the outset of his newest adventure, and assure him that his work and influence at Suffolk University will never be forgotten.
DOUBLE MEANING

The term Senior has two meanings. One refers to the student in the final year of school, reaping the rewards of the previous years of hard work. The other meaning refers to someone reaping the rewards from a lifetime of hard work.

A 74-year-old woman who has recruited engineers for the space program, been sawed in half in magic shows, and traveled throughout the world in her spare time has the rare honor of realizing both meanings of the term Senior.

Mary Ruth Whitman has graduated magna cum laude this year. She has been majoring in English at Suffolk since 1979, taking an average of three classes a semester. Her final grade point average was 3.62 out of a possible 4.0.

"I was enjoying my retirement with some hobbies such as raising orchids, but I wanted some intellectual exercise," she said.

"Also, I had taken some non-credit courses at M.I.T. in conversational Russian, psychology courses at Harvard and qualitative and quantitative chemistry courses at Boston College, so I wanted to take some literature."

Whitman was a member of the Donora High School graduating class of 1930 in Donora, Penn. where she says she was always a good student. "I was the type of kid the teachers would hold up as an example, so I guess I must have been pretty good."

She started taking classes at Suffolk after she had run into a friend who was Suffolk's chairman of the board. Whitman told him she missed the structured lifestyle that working had given her. Several days later, she received some brochures in the mail and decided to sign up for some classes.

The most difficult aspect of returning to school was the retention and concentration it required, said Whitman. "The first semester I would take copious notes and gradually I didn't have to take as many. My advisor, Professor Millner, was a great help in convincing me to keep working and improving."

Whitman said the most difficult class she took was Spanish. "I took it for three years, and it was more difficult than Russian because it was more in-depth. I would spend hours every afternoon listening to tapes in the language lab."

"To return to college after an absence, you have to have an inquisitive mind and really want to learn. I spent three hours every day commuting from Marshfield to Boston, so I had to enjoy it," she said.

Whitman said she met many other senior citizens at Suffolk and they all seemed to enjoy going to school. "The students wouldn't treat us as if we were old enough to be their grandparents. On a trip to London last year that I took with an English class, the students would invite me to beer parties in the evening, but I only went to one. I preferred going to the theatre."

Whitman is retired from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where she worked 34 years, first as a secretary and finishing her career in the personnel department. The National Aeronautical and Space Association awarded her two citations for her success in recruiting engineers for the space program.

Whitman's husband, Bernard, is also a former magician. The couple worked together in a magic show billed as "The Oriental Mysteries of Fu Ling, the Mandarin Master of Mystery . . . " The Whitman's have been married for 35 years. Whitman said, "In the act. My husband would lock me in a sack, place me in a locked trunk, and then I'd escape. In another, I would be sawed in half and then put back together."

Whitman and her husband have traveled to South America, England, Thailand, Indonesia, and China. As a graduation present, Bernard will be taking her on a trip to Africa, Egypt, Jordan, and then London.

She says that she plans to take more courses at Suffolk. "I enjoyed my time here a lot. I don't think I'll go for my master's degree, this was the height of my degree ambitions."
EVENTS
THE SPORTS BANQUET
The Commencement Ball
INTERNATIONAL NIGHT
Student Government Association

Program Council
Black Students Association

SGA Executive Board
The Newman Club

International Club
Psychology Club
The American Marketing Association

The Suffolk Black Students Association
Although Suffolk's sports program does not receive the publicity that others do, sports are an important part of life at Suffolk. The athletes here are not on scholarship. They don't have great, convenient facilities. However, their enthusiasm and dedication make up for many things, and Suffolk athletes and all students can be proud of the athletics program.

The Ice Hockey Team
The Men's Basketball Team

The Women's Basketball Team
The Men's Baseball Team
SUFFOLK PARTIES!

Though Suffolk is a commuter school, parties are a time when all of the students can get together to socialize, dance, and enjoy. Other schools may have dorms and a huge campus, but Suffolk has its own form of recreation!
OUR TOWN

Presented by the
Suffolk University
Student Theatre
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 1985
FROM THE SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS STAFF
Carolyn M. Arenburg
William F. Coughlin
Donna A. Falk
Nancy J. Fine
Margaret Huck
Joseph F. Walsh

The Students and Faculty of the Biology Dept. and Robert S. Friedman Field Station Offer Congratulations to the Suffolk University Graduates of 1985
To the Class of 1985:

"When all is said and done, a lot more is said than done."

Unfortunately, I can not credit any one person with this quote, but it seems to me that it expresses both the making of the 1985 BEACON and life at Suffolk University as well.

The past four years have probably changed the way most of you view most things in your life. College, without really trying to change a person intentionally, usually does so just because of its nature. Because Suffolk is unique in its location and its facilities, it perhaps changed you in different ways than you might have been changed had you attended another university.

Looking back on the past four years or so, you will probably fail to see any significant time when your entire life changed. And yet, it most certainly did.

Living through the making of any yearbook, and this one in particular, can be trying at best. It is a formidable task which requires hard work, patience, and the understanding of your friends. Thankfully, I was lucky to have the support of many good friends.

Stephen Walsh, my very good friend and assistant editor, gave me the support and understanding that I personally needed, as well as help with all of the tiresome work. My advisor, Margaret Higgins, was wonderful in that she put up with my paranoia and general craziness.

Also, thanks go to Karen DeCilio of the Public Relations department, John Carrier of Herff-Jones, Dr. Fredrick Wilkins of the English Department, and numerous others. They know that the yearbook process is often painstaking and frustrating.

Although the book is, in fact, done, many of the memories of this year are more vivid to me because I was able to edit what is the only visual permanent record of the class of 1985. All is said and done and I hope that what has been done is reminiscent of your tenure at Suffolk.

Sincerely,
Sandra J. Bradley

Editor-in-Chief