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'Tip' O'Neill and John Sununu
Will Be Commencement Speakers

Former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill and John H. Sununu, chief of staff to President George Bush will be the commencement speakers at the June 10 exercises at Hynes Auditorium.

O'Neill, whose long political career began in the Massachusetts Legislature more than 50 years ago, will speak at the 2:30 p.m. exercises of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and School of Management. O'Neill served as speaker from 1977 to 1987. He will receive an honorary doctor of juridical science degree. He received a honorary doctor of public administration here in 1973.

Sununu, the former governor of New Hampshire who spoke at the School of Management's 50th anniversary when he was the Granite State chief executive, will address Law School graduates at the 10 a.m. exercises. He'll be awarded a doctor of laws degree.

President David J. Sargent will preside at his first commencement. Sargent succeeded Daniel H. Perlman as president last August.

Sununu, who played an influential role in President Bush's New Hampshire primary victory, later served as national co-chairman of the Bush/Quayle campaign. As Bush's chief of staff, he oversees the daily operations of the White House and its staff.

Other honorary degree recipients at the Law School exercises will be U.S. Administrative Law Judge Kathleen Ryan Dacey, Atty. Edward I. Masterman, a partner in the Boston law firm of Cargill, Masterman & Culbert and a 1950 Law School graduate, and Atty. Leonard M. Ring, chair of the American Bar Association's Section of Tort and Insurance Practice, and former president of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, all doctor of laws degrees.

At the afternoon exercises doctor of humane letters degree will be awarded to David W. Cowens, former Boston Celtics player and coach and chairman of the board of the Sports Museum of New England, Giles E. Mosher, Jr., president and chair of the board of Bay Bank Middlesex, and James L. Sullivan, president of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce.

The exercises move back to the refurnished Hynes Auditorium after being held for five years at the Wang Center during the renovation of the auditorium.

Sargent will confer degrees upon 432 juris doctor candidates at the law school exercises. In the afternoon he will award approximately 518 degrees to graduates of the School of Management and College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Suffolk To Lease
Dorm Space
At Newbury College

The University has entered into an agreement with Newbury College to lease housing at 138 Marlborough street, Back Bay, for 35 students.

The 4-story building will house up to 45 students in single, double and triple rooms, according to Dean of Students Nancy Stoll.

"There is a live-in resident director and regular security checks," Stoll pointed out. "The building will be co-educational by floor and will provide a residential/educational experience located in the midst of one of Boston's most desirable neighborhoods."

Cost for the academic year, which includes room charge and two meals a day, six days a week, will be $5450 for a single room; $5250 for a double room, and $5050 for a triple room.

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Czech Visit Part Of A Fruitful Exchange

(Asst. CLAS Dean David L. Robbins hosted two Czechoslovak students and their teacher for much of their visit to this country and Suffolk University. He had previously visited Prague with Enrollment Management Dean Marguerite J. Dennis. Here are some of his observations from the Czech visit.)

By David Robbins

Between March 16 and March 30, Suffolk University's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences hosted three representatives from the Czech Tech University in Prague. The delegation, the first from a Czechoslovak university to visit any Boston-area school since the November-December revolution and drawn entirely from the faculty of architecture, consisted of Prof. Michael Hexner and students Jan Kupka and Radim Bohacek.

Hexner, a practicing architect as well as instructor at the Technical University, had consistently refused before the revolution to become a Communist party member; the two students, both anticommunists, were active in the student strikes that played such an important role in the "velvet revolution."

Prior to arriving in Boston, the three were met in New York by this writer, who provided them with weekend accommodations (donated by InterFuture, the international education organization which cooperates closely with the College and of which I am president) and a three-day tour of the city.

The tour included a visit to the Statue of Liberty, which thrilled the trio and upon examining the interior architecture they likened it to the Eiffel Tower, a stop at the World Trade Center and a view of the St. Patrick's Day parade. We also visited the Guggenheim Museum, a wonderful building, but not well maintained. The Czechs greatly enjoyed the art in the Guggenheim since they are very much taken with modern art and we later spent a whole afternoon in the Museum of Modern Art.

Cheers for Czech Tech/Suffolk U. Displaying Schools t-shirts are from left to right: Radim Bohacek, Pres. David J. Sargent, Prof. Michael Hexner and Jan Kupka.

Other sites visited included the Trump Tower, Rockefeller Center and St. Patrick's Cathedral. The highlight of the New York tour was the visit to the Empire State Building. The rain had stopped and when we went up to the observation deck you could see all the lights of midtown. All the Czechs could talk about was the scale of New York, not so much how high it was so much as how much of it was high. Just one tower after another.

Before I put them on a train to Washington, I tried to show them the seamy side of the city as well: homeless people, the subways, the Port Authority bus terminal and such. Their reaction was not what I expected; they generally responded to my criticism of our system by saying that many of the same ills existed in Czechoslovakia.

I didn't travel with them to Washington, where they spent four days and stayed in accommodations provided by InterFuture. Associate Prof. Judy Dushku of the government Department was their host and their program was prepared by the Washington Center, which handles most of the College's Washington internship experiences. They did a wonderful job for the Czechs. The three met with Rep. Joseph Moakley, D-Mass. and Rep. Ronald Machtley, R-R.I., both Suffolk alumni and they had breakfast with Washington Atty. Richard Leon, Suffolk's new Alumni-Trustee. They also enjoyed a series of architectural tours provided by historian Teresa Grana.

One Friday morning, March 23, the Czech visitors boarded an Amtrak train for Boston. After their arrival, they were hustled off to my home in Reading. On Saturday, I took them on a tour of Boston, most of it given from the top of the Hancock Tower (architects remember!) The following day, I sent the students to meet with several Suffolk students and took Prof. Hexner to Gloucester where he was trained in lobster deconstruction by my wife, Lynda. She now has a standing invitation to join Hexner for dinner in Prague.

Before the visit to Suffolk, all three visited Milton High School. There, I was surprised when the Czech students responded to the Milton students they met with the shock of recognition: the Czechs were thrilled at how much these high school students resembled their Czech counterparts.

March 27-29, of course, the Czechs visited a number of CLAS classes and forums at the University. The results of those encounters, you can hear from your friends, colleagues or acquaintances. They were extraordinary results. We now have a current plan to send a group of 10-15 CLAS students and faculty members to Prague for two weeks in January, 1991 and to have a tour of 10-15 Czech students and faculty members back here next April. Host families will accommodate both groups. This has turned out to be a remarkably fruitful exchange with remarkable people. There is much to be learned here about our visitors and about ourselves. I hope that you will make the effort to learn more.
Law School Discussion On Diversity Covers Many Topics

Dean Paul R. Sugarman and Sharon Artis, assistant to the president and director of minority affairs, were among those who listened to a panel of legal scholars from Boston area law schools in Donahue 311.

Panelists were Prof. Duncan Kennedy of Harvard Law School, Prof. Russell Murphy of Suffolk Law School, Prof. Robert Ward of New England School of Law, Dean Jane Scarborough of Northeastern Law School and Prof. Iris Gomez of Boston University Law School.

In addition, student representative Monica Llano spoke of her personal perspectives as a Latina student and the student organizing efforts aimed at addressing the needs of diversity in legal education.

Slinger Is Named New Law Librarian To Succeed Retiring Bander

Michael J. Slinger, associate director for public services at the University of Notre Dame Law School Library, in South Bend, Indiana, has been named director of the Suffolk Law School Library, Dean Paul R. Sugarman has announced.

Slinger, who has been associated with Notre Dame Law School since 1984, succeeds Edward J. Bander, who has held the Suffolk post since 1978 and is retiring at the close of the academic year.

“We believe we have made an excellent choice in selecting Michael J. Slinger as our new law librarian,” said Sugarman. “He brings outstanding qualifications to the position and we look forward to his service. At the same time, we are going to miss Ed Bander, whose tenure has been marked by remarkable progress and whose dedication and accomplishments for the past 12 years are well recognized by the Suffolk community.”

Slinger will join the University on July 1. A 1978 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, he received a master of library science from the University of South Carolina in 1979 and his juris doctor degree from Duquesne University School of Law in 1984.

He joined Notre Dame as a research librarian in 1984 and two years later was named head of research services before becoming associate director in January of 1987, responsible for carrying out all aspects of library support for faculty and student research.

Before joining Notre Dame, he also was head librarian for the Job Advisory Service and reference library at Duquesne University School of Law.

Slinger’s background includes teaching legal research at Notre Dame Law School and conducting WESTLAW and LEXIS training classes for students and faculty. He has authored a number of publications. At Notre Dame, he is credited with integrating the circulation and research departments into one cooperative public services unit and seeing the research department listed as a major law strength in the Deans self study.

Ed Bander, who teaches law and literature and is a prolific writer and authority on Mr. Dooley, presided over the doubling of the library collection to 200,000 volumes. The library now has on line computer services that allows users access to thousands of other collections and data banks throughout the country including NEXIS, the new retrieval and legislative service and LEXIS and WESTLAW legal research service.

The library has expanded to include the E. Albert Pallot Library in addition to the Mugar Library and offers three computer centers and a copy center.

Bander, who succeeded the late John Lynch as library director, authored Searching the Law, which was selected as one of the most useful reference sources for law libraries by Legal Information Alert.

Bander plans to write a novel in the next year and will continue editing the bi-monthly Law Review with Michael Rustad.
Bill Burns Named Hockey Coach

William F. Burns, Jr. of Boxford, a former head hockey coach at Rockport High School, has been named varsity hockey coach, Athletic Director James Nelson has announced.

Burns, 35, has served as assistant hockey coach to outgoing coach Peter Saggese for the past two seasons. Prior to that, Burns coached four years at Rockport High School, where his teams qualified three times for the annual State Hockey Tournament. His record at Rockport was 44 wins, 28 losses and four ties.

"Bill Burns brings excellent qualifications to the head coach’s position," said Nelson in announcing the appointment. "He knows the game well, exemplifies outstanding qualities of leadership, has the respect of the players, and has proved to be a good recruiter."

Burns was graduated from St. Mary’s High School in Lynn in 1973 and American International College in 1977. He began coaching hockey in 1982 when he served as assistant head hockey coach at Middlesex Academy in Concord for two years before moving to Rockport High School.

Burns’ predecessor at Suffolk, Peter Saggese, coached the Rams for four seasons and compiled a record of 44 wins, 53 losses and 2 ties. Saggese’s best season was the 1988-89 campaign when the Rams finished 19-7-1 and were selected for the post season ECAC playoffs in Division III North. A mathematics teacher at Duxbury High School, Saggese formerly coached at that school.

School Of Mngt. Unveils Program

The School of Management announced the inauguration of an incubator program for small businesses and entrepreneurs at a breakfast co-sponsored with the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce on April 5.

The Suffolk incubator, according to director Richard Mann, assistant professor in the School of Management, will seek to provide guidance and support for small business beginnings and ongoing developmental programs. The incubator is a teaching/laboratory resource for students in the area of small business and entrepreneurship.

"The incubator concept was developed from the idea that new businesses are often like eggs that need warmth and protection until they hatch and start to develop more independently," explained Mann.

Mann said that the academic incubator is one of three types and that Suffolk’s is designed to help students and others start and build businesses as well as provide a living laboratory of real business as part of a special small business program within the School of Management.

Among the services provided will be desk space, computer time, photocopying, graphic services and seminars. Proposals provided from students and alumni will be reviewed by a small business advisory committee made up of small business owners and faculty. Companies that take part will receive such benefits as writing or updating a business plan, marketing program or other relevant research.

Tuition Increase Announced

The University has announced that it will increase its full-time tuition in its undergraduate programs by $600 or 8.2 percent for the 1990-91 academic year.

The increase will set tuition at $7900 for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the School of Management, still one of the lowest of any private four-year institution in New England.

In announcing the rates, University Vice-President/Treasurer Francis X. Flannery cited escalating costs in health insurance (some 25%), retirement benefits, property insurance due to recent natural disasters, and administrative costs as a result of renovations and acquisition of new space.

"In addition, substantial increases in scholarships were necessitated by the reduction of some $260,000 in State aid and $120,000 in Federal cuts," Flannery said.

"Despite these increases, tuition at Suffolk University remains one of the lowest of any independent four-year institution in the area and is in keeping with the mission of the University in the face of rising costs across the board," Flannery pointed out.

The trustees also voted an 8.1 percent increase in full-time day tuition at Suffolk University Law School bringing the cost to $11,000 while evening tuition in the Law School will increase $615 to $8250.

Highest increases came in the School of Management graduate programs. The full-time graduate master in business administration program will increase 9.9 percent or $990 to $10,950 and the fulltime graduate in public administration program will also increase 9.9 percent to $10,500.
Newsmakers

Kenneth S. Greenberg, History. He's been named a Fellow in Law and History at Harvard Law School for the 1990-91 academic year, one of five liberal arts fellowships awarded by the school. The fellowship allows teachers in the social sciences or humanities to study fundamental techniques, concepts and aims of law for future utilization in their own disciplines. Greenberg also has authored an article, "The Nose, the Lie and the Duel in the Antebellum South," in the February issue of the American Historical Review.

Clarence Cooper, Management, S.O.M. Cooper has been appointed chairman of the Department of Employment and Training's Advisory Council. Gov. Dukakis chose Cooper as one of a six person council that will review and aid in the formation of D.E.T.'s legislative and regulatory policies designed to provide employment and training opportunities to all residents of the Commonwealth. Cooper's background qualifies him well for the post. He's been employed by the Commonwealth since 1984 as the assistant secretary for management at the executive office of Human Services.

Marguerite Dennis, Enrollment Management. She is one of three notables in enrollment management to be selected for the faculty of the 15th annual Snowmass Institute program on Managing Enrollment to be held July 15-20 in Snowmass, Colorado. Dennis has two new books out on financing a college education - Barron's Guide to Financing a Medical Education and Keys to Financing a College Education.

Nancy C. Stoll, dean of students. Stoll served on the New England Association of Schools and Colleges accreditation team that visited St. Michael's College in Vermont in March. She has also been appointed chair of the Committee to revise the Standard on Student Services for the New England Association's Commission on Higher Education.

Marilyn Jurich, English. She delivered a paper entitled "Solus Solo: Solipsism in Three Fantasies, Peer Gynt, Grendel and Perfume" at the conference of the International Association of Fantasy in the Arts in Dania, Fla. The paper will be included in an anthology, Best Articles in Fantasy and Science Fiction to be published by Greenwood Press next year.

Alexandra Todd, Sociology. Her book, Intimate Adversaries: Cultural Conflict Between Doctors and Women Patients (University of Pennsylvania Press) examines detailed conversations and interactions between six male West Coast gynecologists and 500 patients from 1978 through 1982. Todd says she found some form of sexism in at least half the interactions, an article in the Detroit Daily News reports. She tells the News, later observation on the East Coast confirmed earlier research and noted arrogance among doctors who used such terms as "honey" and "dear" to women patients.

Clifford E. Elias, Law Faculty. The longtime Suffolk law professor and Merrimack Valley lawyer is the recipient of the 1990 Ralph A. Wilkinson Good Citizenship Award given by the Greater Lawrence Chamber of Commerce to an individual who has made a significant contribution over the years to the community's welfare and betterment. Elias has worked with civic and charitable organizations and fund-raising activities in Lawrence and North Andover since 1959.

Peter Storandt, Law School Admissions. He chaired the admissions section of the annual meeting of the National Network of Law Schools in New Orleans.

Melissa White, Health Services. Director of Health Services for the past six years, she's leaving Suffolk to join the Tremont street law firm of Lubin & Myer, specializing in medical malpractice. White finished up her evening Law School studies at mid-year and is awaiting the results of the February bar exam. Her medical background is seen as an asset to the law firm and its specialty.

Andrea Spears, College Admissions. Miss Black Massachusetts and fourth runnerup Miss Black America in 1987, she is stepping down from her post as assistant director of admissions in July to enter Suffolk Law School as a full-time day student in September. She's worked in Suffolk under-grad admissions for two and one half years. Most recently she was third runnerup in this year's Miss Massachusetts contest.

Fran Burke, Public Management. Visiting professor of government and ethics at Claremont McKenna College in California, she co-presented a paper on improving organizational productivity at the 51st national conference of the American Society for Public Administration in Los Angeles. Joining her as co-presenter was Amy Black, the Mayr Foundation fellow and research assistant.

Warren Briggs, CIS. He's been invited to take part in the Forum on Artificial Intelligence in Management sponsored by the U.S. Department of Defense at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California May 14-16. He'll present a case study for discussion by these researchers and practitioners.

Susan Thayer, Learning Center. She'll be a presenter on professional standards and learning assistance at the American College Personnel Association Conference in St. Louis.
Personnel

Board Okays
TIAA-CREF Changes

The University’s Board of Trustees has approved a number of new options that have been made available by the Teachers Insurance Annuity Association/College Retirement Equity Fund.

According to Dan McDonald of Human Resources, these new options represent a significant enhancement to Suffolk’s retirement plan. They will go into effect no later than May 15.

Here are the changes:

Transferability. Employees have been able to make transfers among CREF accounts (stock and money market) and from CREF to TIAA. They now can transfer past accumulations among CREF, UNUM and Fidelity (“University” contributions limited to approved funds.)

Cash on Retirement or Termination. Employees now can receive up to 100% on their retirement or termination.

New CREF investment options. The CREF Social Choice portfolio consists primarily of stocks, bonds and money market investments in corporations that meet accepted standards of social responsibility in their products, services, and corporate policies. Its goal is capital appreciation and current income.

The CREF Bond Market portfolio consists primarily of investment grade bonds. Its goal is high current income while preserving capital — the amount invested.

The CREF Social Choice Fund and the CREF Bond Market Fund were made available through CREF as of March 1.

If you have any questions about the new options, please call TIAA-CREF’s Participant Information Center toll free at 1-800-842-2776, or write to them at 730 Third Ave., New York, NY 10017.

Service With A Smile

It often goes unnoticed, but the University’s staff performs services for students, graduates, and potential students that are well remembered by those involved. That’s why it’s nice to be able to share some correspondence the Office of Human Resources received, singling out two staffers for knowledgeable assistance readily and willingly provided. Catherine Dinon of Student Accounts was recently heralded by Mary Mastrangelo, M.Ed. ’73, and C.A.G.S. ’90. Mastrangelo is a counselor at Lynnfield High School and had this to say in part in praise of Dinon:

Oftentimes, the quality of an institution is quickly and permanently decided upon during the very first dealing one has with a representative of that institution. Suffolk University is indeed fortunate to have someone as articulate, professional, and courteous as Catherine to represent them in their Student Accounts Office.

Many of us who attend Suffolk University do so in the evening after spending a long day at the office ourselves. It is refreshing and rewarding to speak with someone who is willing to take a personal interest in each individual situation.

Phyllis Addario of the College Registrar’s Office was thanked for her tenacity by Tom Gratton, president of an electronics firm, who wrote:

I placed five different phone calls to the Registrar’s office to obtain a copy of my undergraduate transcript. On each occasion, I had the pleasure of speaking with Phyllis Addario. When she was not available, she promptly called me back. Her tenacity and perseverance finally helped locate my transcript. Please give Phyllis my best. She’s a real gem.

In future issues, we plan to highlight other support staff who have contributed significantly to special projects, have received thanks from students, potential students, parents or graduates or who have given to the community in special ways. Please send your thoughts and ideas to us.

Are You A Smug Person?

The Offices of Human Resources and Management Information Systems invite you to be. SMUG is the Suffolk University Microcomputer Users Group, an informal forum for PC users to meet and discuss computer problems and their solutions. SMUG is open to all employees of Suffolk. Attendees of recent WordPerfect and Lotus training sessions are encouraged to join. The group meets once a month.

If you are interested and haven’t yet signed up, call Toni Tinberg at extension 8415. Then, watch your mail for information about the next meeting.

Revised Handbooks Available

Revised copies of the Suffolk University Office Procedures Manual and the Employee Handbooks for Administrative and Support Staff will be distributed by the Human Resources Office early in May.

The Handbook summarizes information about University policies, vacation and sick leave accrual rates, and other benefits. As a useful reference guide it should be read to reacquaint staffers with all that Suffolk has to offer. If there are additional questions call the Human Resources Office at extension 8415.
and has been a trustee for 23 years... When House Ways and Means Chair Richie Voke addressed an Education and Human Resources symposium at Suffolk on April 5, it was a homecoming for Voke, a double Ram with a B.A. and J.D. from this University. And Rich enjoyed singling out from the capacity audience such past mentors as President Sargent, Sociology’s John Sullivan, Law Prof. Charlie Garabedian and College Registrar Mary Heffron... Gerry Peary of journalism has been writing on films for the Boston Globe including dispatches from the Berlin Film Festival. His visit there in February provided him with the thrill of a lifetime. “Amazingly, I was an eyewitness to history, standing on part of the Berlin Wall and watching the East Germans as they dismantled another part of the wall, something shown round the world on television,” Peary related... Those of us who have been around Suffolk for awhile were saddened to learn of the death of Mary E. Muhilly, long-time administrative assistant to the late Suffolk President John E. Fenton. She passed away on March 17 at her home in Lawrence at the age of 82...

SOM’s Dick McDowell, Grad Admissions Director Marsha Ginn and Alumni Trustee Valerie Russo teamed up to host the first corporate outreach reception for State Street Bank staffs who attend or graduated from Suffolk. According to Marsha, the highlight of the evening was when Bank Chairman William Edgerly told how his father taught at Suffolk when the family first came to the Boston area. Edgerly hailed the close relationship between Suffolk and the State Street Bank... A busy semester on campus for the lecture circuit: James Meredith, first black to enter and graduate from the University of Mississippi, kicked off the Lowell Lecture Series with a controversial talk that caused headlines. He was followed by former New York Congresswoman Bella Abzug and former Georgia State Senator Julian Bond, making his third appearance on our campus. The Law Review’s Donahue Lecture Series presented new Federal Judge Stephen Breyer; BALSA sponsored U.S. Attorney Wayne Budd and Law Prof. Rich Perlmutter put on a sports symposium for his class that featured N.E. Patriots GM Pat Sullivan, former Pats Randy Vataha and Glenn Wong, now director of the grad programs in sports management at UMass. The discussion was on free agency and also starred Law Prof. Marc Greenbaum, an expert on labor law, collective bargaining and arbitration... Some kind of mixed emotions: When Suffolk’s baseball team recently played Babson, the Rams were facing a team coached by Paul Donato, nephew of Suffolk Athletic Director Jim Nelson. In the stands were Jim’s mother, Dorothea, and her daughter, Dorothea, married to Donato’s father, Paul, Sr. Mom and daughter rooted against one another in the game won by Suffolk 15-6. Wish Jim Nelson had taken me with him to College Basketball’s Final Four in Denver. He turned down an offer of $1000 for his ticket to the Saturday night semi-final... Incidentally, Joe Walsh’s baseballers visited Clearwater, Fla. and Winter Haven and defeated the Phillies A team 5-3 and lost to the Sox’ Winter Haven A team 7-5...

Trivia note: Associate Law Dean Malcolm Donahue and President George Bush were soccer teammates at Andover Academy in the forties. Donahue remembers the president as a good athlete, although a better baseball player (Yale) than soccer performer... Still on sports: Suffolk’s hockey star Brian Horan was among those honored as a first team ECAC All-Star at the Hockey Writers dinner April 12. Horan led the division in scoring for the second straight year... Bob Johnson of English has had a selection of his poems published in a new paperback, Four Poets: Four Voices... Joe Vaccaro of Marketing had an article, “Marketing Segmentation: A Crucial Aspect for Small Business Advertising,” published in the Journal of Professional Service Marketing spring issue...
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Shahriar Khaksari, chairman of Finance, recently published an article titled “Analyzing Yield Spreads Between Eurodollar and Domestic Rates” in the Journal of Cash Management (March, April, 1990 Vol. 2). Suffolk has a newly selected travel agency, Ask Mr. Foster Travel, which Annette Gentile of the Business Office points out, can serve your personal travel needs through their Presidential Vacation Club. The Business Office has held two seminars to acquaint the community with Mr. Foster. Marilyn Jurich of English is delighted to report that her daughter, Joscelyn, recently received a merit scholarship from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst... Let’s hear it for Joyce Rabin of the Learning Center. She dropped into Club Zanzibar off Boylston street one night and during a drawing sponsored by Crimson Travel won an eight-day all expenses paid trip for two to Jamaica... Bill Coughlin of Admissions and Gerry Burke, president of Massasoit Community College, put the articulation agreement signed between Suffolk and that college into effect during a recent visit there... The NACA Fair at Hynes Auditorium attracted some 600 colleges from throughout the land and some 800 high schoolers signed up for Suffolk materials and 1200 high school juniors received catalogues...

Robert Schwartz, former head of technical services at Merrimack College’s Library, has been appointed assistant director for bibliographic records at the Sawyer Library... The Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society held its annual convention in San Antonio, Tex. and had some considerable Suffolk student input. In a discussion on American Literature, John Mulrooney, son of Development’s Jim Mulrooney, spoke on “The American Dream in the Great Gatsby”, Patricia Nason, discussed “Cane: The Dichotomy of Jean Toomer”, Chris Adams made a presentation “In Defense of Jack Kerouac, the Beat Generation and On the Road” and David Caristi expounded on “Dante’s use of dream visions in La Vita Nuova and the Divine Comedy”... Prof. Marlene McKinley of English was a panelist in a session on chapter activities... The annual alumni phonathon zoomed over its $210,000 goal as it wound up its year on March 29. Callers received pledges totaling $260,242 reports Gail Mansfield of Institutional Advancement... The C. Walsh Theatre program will feature a Boston/Montreal two-city dance festival on May 11 and 12 at 8 p.m. Dance Umbrella will present the best from both cities in the talent exchange... With all the year end activities to consider, let’s not forget The Evening Division Student Association’s Recognition Night scheduled for May 11 at the 57 Restaurant. This is always a good take. Tickets are $15 per person, including dinner, dancing and some extra surprises. Call Marge Hewitt at Student Activities, 8321 for addition info... Dan McDonald of Human Resources and Bob Rauso of Financial Aid both ran in and finished the Boston Marathon on Patriots Day. Dan noted that he finished ahead of 83-year old Johnny Kelley, who did the course in five hours plus... See you on the tennis courts...

Law Student National Powerlifting Champ

Eric S. Kupperstein of Sharon, a 24-year old first year student at Suffolk Law School, is the new national powerlifting champion.

Kupperstein set three records at the American Drug Free Powerlifting Association’s 7th Annual Collegiate National Powerlifting Championships on the campus of Virginia Polytech Institute in Blacksburg, Va. (March 24).

In addition to taking top honors in his own weight division (148 pounds), Kupperstein established marks for lifters in all classes, 165 pounds and under.

In the dead lift category, Kupperstein lifted 545 pounds defeating the defending champ and previous recordholder, Eric Hammer of V.P.I. Kupperstein then broke his own record with a lift of 556 pounds. His total poundage in squat, dead lift and bench press was a record 1384 pounds.

Kupperstein, a 1988 graduate of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, represented Suffolk Law School in the Virginia competition which saw Virginia Tech and the Air Force Academy tie for team championship. He was the lone Suffolk representative.

Kupperstein attends Suffolk Law School evenings and works fulltime days at the Boston law firm of Kassler & Feuer. A few years from now after he graduates from Suffolk and passes the bar exam, he will be following in the footsteps of his dad, Donald C. Kupperstein, a Suffolk Law School graduate, who practices with the law firm of Petze and Hodgdon in Brockton and Norwell.