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S.U. NAMES FIRST WOMAN TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Suffolk University has its first woman trustee.

The Board of Trustees, at its April 11 meeting, voted board membership to Miss Jeanne M. Hession of Dorchester, legal officer with the Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Co. and a 1956 graduate of Suffolk Law School.

Miss Hession succeeds trustee George B. Rowell, who was elevated to the position of Trustee Emeritus at the February meeting. She will fill Rowell's term which will expire in June of 1975.

President Fulham, in making the announcement, said: "We are delighted that Miss Hession has accepted membership on the board of trustees. She is an outstanding graduate of Suffolk, a skilled and accomplished attorney and we feel she will provide valuable service to the university as a trustee."

Miss Hession received an associate in general studies degree from Boston University in 1952 and her LL.B. cum laude from Suffolk University Law School. She is secretary of the District One Chapter of the Interstate Commerce Commission Practicioners Association, a member of the National Association of Women Bankers, a member of the Boston Bar Association, and the Massachusetts Bar Association.

She serves on the faculty of the School of Banking at Williams College where she conducts a course in reviewing trust instruments. She is a founder and incorporator of the Foundation of Hope, Inc., a Massachusetts charitable corporation, founded to aid women and girls released from prison by establishing homes for them until they are able to maintain an apartment of their own. An honorary life director of this foundation, she is a fund-raiser for them and frequently speaks to groups on this work.

Miss Hession is also a member of the Boston College Estate Planning Council.

COMMITTEE WILL CONDUCT FACULTY TENURE REVIEW

Tenured faculty members will be reviewed at six-year intervals by Suffolk's Committee on Promotion, Tenure and Review, President Fulham announces.

Suffolk is believed to be the first college or university in this area to take such a step which allows the Committee to recommend corrective measures and apply sanctions short of dismissal.

Under the plan, which was drawn up by the Committee, the University Council, and the Board of Trustees, one-sixth of the tenured faculty will be reviewed yearly. This amounts to about seven members a year. Faculty within six years of retirement will not be reviewed, and those to be reviewed will be chosen by lot to determine the six-year cycle.

The action stems from earlier meetings and discussions between President Fulham, the trustees and the University Council. The Committee emphasized that tenure "is in the best interests of both Suffolk University and the faculty, particularly with respect to the recruitment of qualified faculty members, maintaining academic standards and faculty morale, and safeguarding academic freedom."

But it noted that "weaknesses and abuses may exist within the tenure system" and felt that "a periodic review" would provide "both a constructive way to help them develop professionally and a useful safeguard for academic standards."

Under the review, the Committee would invite the faculty member to submit a written statement of "his professional activities and growth" to the Committee. The Committee may also call on department chairmen, other faculty members and students. The Committee will evaluate performance as "meritorious, satisfactory or deficient."

Dean Michael Ronayne of the College of Arts and Sciences says the Committee's role is to evaluate, encourage the faculty member professionally, correct weaknesses if necessary, and in serious deficiency cases, recommend corrective action and "sanctions short of dismissal."

The Committee said, in view of rising costs, the university must safeguard its financial status. It recommended that the percentage of tenured faculty in Suffolk's colleges not exceed 55 per cent at any time.

The Committee on Promotion, Tenure and Review consists of the dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences as chairman, the dean of the College of Business Administration, the associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and four elected faculty members who are tenured. The elected faculty members represent business, humanities, natural sciences and social sciences. The chairman has the option of appointing two additional faculty members.

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SENATOR KENNEDY ADDRESSES HUGE S.U. GATHERING

The personal magnetism of Senator Edward M. Kennedy was never more evident to Suffolk University than when he appeared at the school last Wednesday as the guest of the student Political Science Association.

A crowd of more than 1000 turned out to hear the State's senior senator for about 45 minutes of address and questions and answers. Kennedy arrived about 20 minutes late for his 1:30 engagement, but received a tremendous ovation from the student body. The auditorium was filled to capacity as early as 1 p.m.

President Fulham and Board Chairman Judge Fenton welcomed Kennedy along with a host of others.

In his talk, Kennedy described the Watergate bugging case and later investigations as "enormously destructive" to the country and said he felt "a sense of sadness about its implications with regard to the office of the presidency and the country."

At the close of his remarks, the Senator was admitted as an honorary member of the Political Science Association and Political Science Association President Arthur Slotnick presented him with a Suffolk chair on behalf of the university. Kennedy then left amid many handshakes and was whisked away by car to the airport.

Building Supt. Ivan Banks described the crowd as the largest to attend an auditorium event in his 12 years at Suffolk. "We've had big crowds for people like Mayor White, Dick Gregory, Julian Bond and Bobby Seale, but never anything to match the turnout for Kennedy," he remarked.

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DONALD GOODRICH IS NAMED DEAN EMERITUS

Retiring Humanities Professor Donald R. Goodrich has been named Dean Emeritus. Dean Goodrich, who retired as vice president and dean of the College of Liberal Arts in June of 1969, will terminate teaching after 26 years of service to Suffolk University. The Board of Trustees conferred upon him title of Dean Emeritus at its April meeting.

Dean Goodrich and Mrs. Goodrich are planning a West Coast trip at the close of the semester followed by a trip to Hawaii in the Fall.

During a distinguished Suffolk career, Dean Goodrich served as college registrar, director of admissions and professor of Humanities.

Other impending retirements include those of Mrs. Joan deAlonso as associate professor of Modern Language, William E. O'Connor as associate professor of Education and Business Administration, and Chase Kimball as professor of Government and Economics, all effective at the close of the academic year.

DR. ROBERT S. FRIEDMAN

1915-1973

He lived quietly and did things without fanfare. It seemed that was the way Dr. Robert S. Friedman also died. Few Suffolk people knew Bob Friedman was gravely ill, so when he passed away on April 8, the shock was that much greater.

Bob Friedman was truly a friend of Suffolk, one of their great benefactors. Modest and self-effacing, he cloaked all of his contributions and efforts in anonymity. And they were many. Suffolk's marine biology station in Cobscook Bay is a reality because of Friedman. Suffolk's Biology Department is a viable, thriving body because of him, and some of the department's talented people were developed under the Friedman leadership. He started the department some 32 years ago when Suffolk was known only as a law school to most people. And the Sheldon and West Funds were his creations. But he never wanted thanks.

That was the Friedman way, the way he insisted that it be. If someone said he was the first man ever to write Compliments of a Friend on a dinner program ad, you'd believe it.

We will always recall Bob Friedman's dedication and service to Suffolk, but his family and friends will not forget the work he did for the Jewish community, for Hebrew schools and camps.

It was fitting that Suffolk trustees conferred upon him the title, Distinguished Service Professor of Biology a year ago and eight years ago awarded him the honorary degree of doctor of science. He already had an earned Ph. D. from Harvard University. Most recently the board voted to change the name of the West Fund to the Robert Friedman Fund.

One observer might remember Bob Friedman as a diminutive man who walked briskly but stood like a tower among his colleagues. He smoked frequently, spoke clearly and directly and was an honest, interesting conversationalist.

Suffolk will remember him for his quiet generosity and life long love to the university, and scores of faculty and staffers were among the more than 600 who filled Temple Emanuel in Newton for the service.

Perhaps Rabbi Samuel Chiel said it best when, in concluding a simple but warm eulogy, he declared, "Bob Friedman was real mensch," which in Yiddish means he was a "real human being."

To which we add, Amen.

COLLEGE OF JOURNALISM BECOMES JOURNALISM DEPARTMENT

Suffolk's long-standing College of Journalism will henceforth be designated as the Department of Journalism in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, it was decided at the April meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The action, Dean Michael R. Ronayne stressed, was taken so as to continue to upgrade the curriculum and to properly classify the journalism studies program at the university. The move was strongly recommended by the visiting accreditation team from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges that came to Suffolk a year ago. The department is chartered as a college and can be reclassified as such if there is sufficient growth in future years.

"Actually, there is a certain misrepresentation in the designation College of Journalism, "Dean Ronayne pointed out. "We have no college structure and there are only two full-time professors. It should be noted, however, that we are continuing to strengthen the department and have added staff members and more courses in recent years."

Ronayne made it clear that Suffolk will continue to offer the traditional degree of bachelor of science in journalism.

The College of Journalism was established in 1936. Its enrollment was high in the late forties, dipped in the 50's but has been on the increase for the past several years. At present, there are more than 150 students enrolled in day and evening programs.

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DR. SNOW WILL HEAD BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Dr. Beatrice L. Snow has been named chairman of the Biology Department. She has been serving as acting chairman in the absence of Dr. Arthur L. West, who was on reassignment with the National Science Foundation in Washington, D.C. for the past year. Dr. West has decided to devote full time to teaching and will return to Suffolk next Fall as professor of Biology.

Dr. Snow, who was graduated from Suffolk with a bachelor of arts degree in 1962, is the first woman graduate of Suffolk to earn a Ph.D. degree. She received her doctorate in zoology from the University of New Hampshire in 1971 and also holds a master of science degree in zoology from New Hampshire.

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DR. JOHNSON APPOINTED TO DANFORTH ASSOCIATESHIP

Dr. Robert K. Johnson of the English Department and his wife, Mrs. Patricia Ann Johnson, have been appointed by the Danforth Foundation to an associateship representing Suffolk University in the Danforth Associate Program.

It marks the first time Suffolk will be represented in the program, which recognizes and encourages good teaching and humane values in the educational process. Associates, Dr. Stanley M. Vogel, chairman of English, points out, are also eligible to apply to the Fund for support of special programs (up to \$500 for individual projects and up to \$1000 for corporate projects).

The funds are designed to improve communication between students, faculty and administrators, to strengthen the teaching-learning process and explore the role of students in decision-making processes in higher education.

The newly appointed associates have been invited to participate in a national conference in Estes Park, Colorado in August.

Dr. Johnson received his bachelor of arts degree from Hofstra University and a master of arts degree from Cornell University and his Ph.D. from Denver University.

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RAMS BASEBALL TEAM WINS THREE, LOSES FIVE

Suffolk's baseball team got off to a slow start, dropping five of their first six games, but the Rams have bounced back to win their last two games, midway through the season.

The two wins came on a 3-2 decision over Clark and a come-from-behind 2-1 victory in the ninth inning over Brandeis. The other victory was an opening game triumph over Bentley. The losses were to Lowell Tech, Lowell State, St. Anselm's and Assumption (2).

First year Coach Tom Walsh praised the play of right fielder Ken Anderson, leading the team in batting with a better than 400 average, freshman pitcher Randy Scott, who has a 2-0 record, and pitcher Allan Houston, who saved two games in relief.

Last Thursday's game with Curry was cancelled because of rain.

"We have some good young freshmen and sophomores who should develop considerably in future years," said Walsh, a one-time third baseman in the Boston Red Sox farm system.

- - POTPOURRI - -

The cooking prowess of Suffolk secretaries will be put to test at this year's University Spring Fest. Spicing the May 11 affair will be a baking contest among S.U. Girl Fridays. Get going gals, first prize will be a dinner for two at a leading Boston restaurant, second prize a bottle of French champagne and a third prize to be named later. This year's star attraction of Spring Fest will be Alexander's Feast, a five member consort from Cambridge, which will sing, play, and dance at the 8 p.m. festival in the auditorium. Free admission, and refreshments will follow ... Congratulations are in order this month to: Dean Joseph H. Strain, who was selected as one of three evaluators to visit Roger Williams College to determine that college's bid for membership in the Association of University Evening Colleges; to Dr. Fred Wilkins of English for attaining tenure at S.U., being elected an honorary member of the Gold Key Society and for his interesting lecture on Copernicus on April 12; and to Asst. Business Professor Joseph P. Vaccaro of Newton, recently honored by that city's Free Library during the city's centennial celebration as "one who is currently contributing to the creative life of the city..." A warm welcome back to Julie Marchankevicz, formerly Biology secretary and now a student, who has been ailing, and to Mike Lombard of Accounting, who has had repeated health setbacks this year... Susan Drew of College Admissions has become engaged to Dom D'Arcangelo of Quincy... Harriet Rosenstein, on leave of absence from English to write a book, has authored another article in the magazine Ms., this one entitled "On Androgyny" and appearing in the May issue...

UNIVERSITY DOINGS - Psychological Services has been extended to the evening division. Courses will be offered in interpersonal relations and counseling will be available for the evening students... The Board of Trustees have approved a continuing education program for mature women for day courses, full-time or part-time, and also voted to allow senior citizens to take courses with credit towards degree with only a \$15 charge for the application fee... North Shore weeklies recently compiled a list of the colleges that Mass. legislators attended. It revealed four Suffolk grads in the State Senate and 24 in the House of Representatives... J. Larkin should be moving in officially as new law dean just about the time this issue reaches print ... Library staffers Anna Meriano and Rosemarie D'Agostino vacationed in San Juan, P.R., while Helen Borden and Karen Jurewich are planning a Bermuda weekend... Two Sociology students, Tom Mauriello and Bonnie Taymore were commended by Larry Iacoi of the Moot Court Board in a communique to Sociology Chairman Donald Fiorillo for their excellent job in operating the video equipment for closed circuit TV of the Justice Tom Clark Competition ...

CONVENTIONEERS - Dr. Edward Clark attended the annual meetings of Afro-American Literature of the College Language Association in Columbia, S.C. Hosts were Benedict College, Allen University, Morris College, Paine College and Voorhees College, all predominantly black colleges... Members of Dr. Leo Lieberman's course in interpersonal relations spent a weekend at Round Hills, South Dartmouth early this month. Dr. Lieberman will be offering a course in creative management for the Research and Development Division of the American Management Association in New York, June 4-8... David Rissmiller of Finance and Banking attended the annual meeting of the Eastern Finance Association at Hartford and Storrs, Conn...

Ronni Lacroute, Assistant Professor of Modern Languages, was among 3000 foreign language educators at the Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages in New York. Among the meetings was one on regional organization, something, Mrs. Lacroute notes, is well under way in Boston, and a few days after that N.Y. meeting, Suffolk hosted a meeting in the language laboratory with several of the area colleges sending representatives... Prof. Bernard W. Meyler of Business has been appointed to the education committee of the Mass. Society of Certified Public Accountants... a new secretary in Government, Economics and History. She is Janet Ivari of South Boston... Must look into the Personnel Office more often. Part-time typist, Ann Marie D'Orsi, was one of the finalists in the Miss Massachusetts pageant April 15... An all-day program saluting the American Indian, his culture and values, will be held May 8 at the university featuring the "White Roots of Peace," a North American communications group... Seventy-four pints of blood were collected at the blood drive sponsored by APO. Among the donors was President Fulham. One-hundred persons volunteered and 26 of these were rejected. The Red Cross was quite pleased with S.U.'s contribution which about matched donations of the past two years... The name of Dr. Florence Petherick of Humanities was inadvertently omitted in last month's SUN which listed S.U. people speaking at a meeting with the Beacon Hill Civic Association ...

The first faculty-alumni seminar held at the university on March 31 was somewhat encouraging. A total of 73 attended, enjoyed the talks by Suffolk faculty, luncheon and reception hosted by President Fulham. following students gave of their time: Gerry Manning, Mary Ann Burritt, Joyce Rose, Timothy Vaughan, Charles Collier, Peter Laughlin, Joseph Priante and Malinee Semthiti... Some nice touches to Senator Kennedy's tumultuous Suffolk appearance: his on stage reference to Judge Fenton as a "long time friend of the Kennedy family," to President Fulham, "It is pleasant to be on stage with a president with whom I can agree; " his closing reference to his and "my brother Jack's" honorary degrees from Suffolk ... A good idea was Evelyn Reilly's last-minute suggestion to present the Senator with a Suffolk chair... Julie Sablone of P.R., husband, Frank, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Laughlin enjoyed a week's vacation in Lisbon and the island of Madeira... Our congratulations to Law Professor Al Cella, recipient of this year's Dean McDermott Award, and to Professors Joseph McEttrick and Thomas Lambert, co-winners of the Student Bar Association's Distinguished Teachers Award. Prof. Lambert recently was the subject of a sports column by Globe writer Leigh Montville for playing basketball regularly although in his fifties... See you next month...