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Class of 1996 Celebrates Graduation

By Christian Engler
JOURNAL STAFF

Wearing caps and gowns, degrees firmly clasped in hands and with family and friends proudly shouting words of congratulations, Suffolk University Seniors graduated from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Frank Sawyer School of Management on Sunday, May 26th at the Wang Center for the Performing Arts in Boston.

Following the procession of Suffolk faculty, graduating students and the

invocation by the Reverend Terrence Barrett of the Harvard School of Divinity, the commencement address was given by J. Bruce Llewellyn, Chairman of the Board of the Philadelphia Coca-Cola Bottling Company.

"Education is the key. It is the key of everything," said Llewellyn, "If you do not have an education, then you are condemned to a very, very bad life in this point in time."

Stating that the bullets have started to fly, but that the economy has not, he told students that the United States has enormous problems regarding its trade dealings, not with enemies, but with its friends, such as Japan, France and England.

"Together, as a whole, we are all looking for the same things: trade, job opportunities and a better life for our citizens."

In telling the importance of an education, he recalled to graduates a point in his life, how he had testified before Congress regarding the fact that his company was turning back seven out of ten students, because they could not pass a basic work-related examination.

"These kids could not read nor fill out their applications. They are and will continue to be unemployable for the rest of their lives," Llewellyn said. "An

enlightened mind is what is necessary."

In concluding his address, Llewellyn stated that this is the era of downsizing, efficiency and productivity, and that as long as people are unhirable, they will continue to be a burden to society, but that the class of 1996 had the necessary skills to make it in the year 2000.

"Building jails is not the answer. We have to convince people that there is hope for them, but where there is no hope, there are drugs, weapons and dangerous consequences. Economically, we are all in the same boat. We are all struggling.

"As long as you live, you will learn, but only if you allow yourself; always have a vision, an idea a plan of some kind," said Llewellyn.

Ending his speech, he advised the graduating class of 1996, that in the future, when looking in a mirror, they should realize that they gave it their best effort in life and not what they could or should have done with their lives.

Following Llewellyn's address, honorary degrees were conferred upon Robert L. Caret, President of the San Jose State University, Victor K. Fung, Chairman of the Prudential Asia Investments Limited, A. Neil Pappalardo, President and Chief Executive Officer of Meditech, Donald Rodman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Rodman Ford and Rodman Lincoln Mercury and J. Bruce Llewellyn, Chairman of the Board of the Philadelphia Coca-Cola Bottling Company.

Preceding the conferring of honorary degrees, Suffolk graduates heard from one of their own, Russell C. Patten, who delivered the class greetings.

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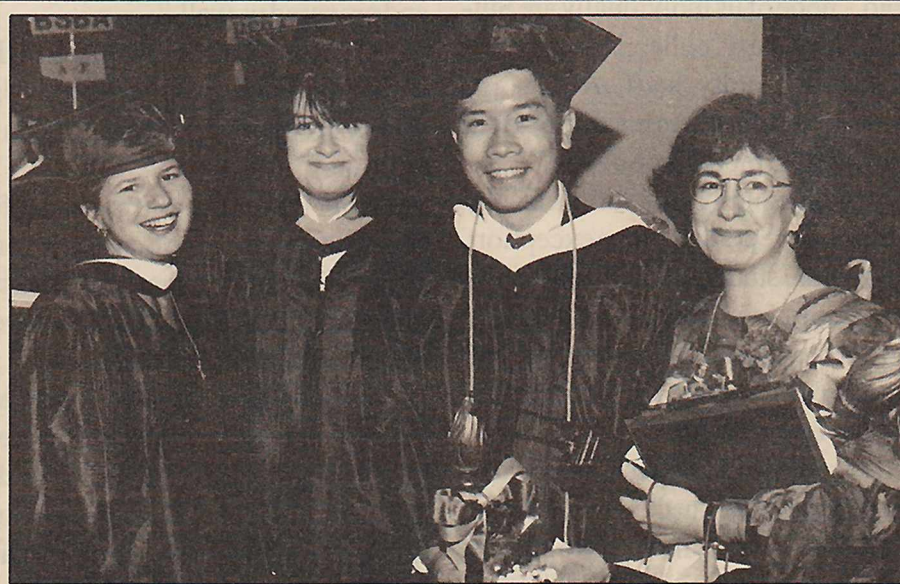


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Wendy Beth Russo, David Tam and Mary Ann Hogan celebrate commencement with Student Activities Director, Donna Schmidt

Residence hall is just one of many new additions

By Mike Shaw
JOURNAL STAFF

For the first time in its history, Suffolk University will open a residence hall. In all, about 400 undergraduate, graduate and law students will live there full-time, beginning this Fall.

It took Suffolk officials three years to find a suitable building in the immediate downtown area, and then almost another year to refurbish the 90 year-old structure into a modern college dormitory.

In addition to the restoration and modernization process, Suffolk has proceeded to reevaluate its security and food service programs.

Aramark Inc., which has been running Suffolk's two cafeterias for as long as many can remember, will not be handling the food distribution. A new company, Sodexho, based in Massachusetts, will be responsible for feeding the students in the dorm, as well as running the cafeterias in the Sawyer and Donahue buildings.

The new company will offer new food choices. Students living in the dorm will be required to use a yearlong meal plan, and commuters will be able

to sign on as well.

The meal plan will revolve around a debit system, to be run off of magnetic strips on the backs of new IDs that will be issued this semester. Students may pay money which will be directly credited to their card, and can be used at any of the three cafeterias for meals and snacks all year. Payments can be made all year long, and the credit carries over from semester to semester; though it does not carry over from year to year.

Many of the past employees of Aramark, who have worked at Suffolk for years, have been hired by Sodexho.

There have been no official plans

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not be representative of what my classmates hold dear," said Patten, "I realized that this class held a multitude of countries and languages that I could not possibly list."

Stating that Suffolk graduates had many personal characteristics or reasons for coming to the institution that may not be easily articulated, he expressed his reasons for choosing Suffolk to attain his undergraduate education.

"I'm not Suffolk University," Patten said, "none of us individually are Suffolk University, collectively, we are. Students, faculty, staff are all some way linked to a role in making Suffolk University a model worldwide."

Expressing that the Suffolk faculty was the exceptional of the exception, Patten told students that if a part of the university is shaken, whether it be through academics, athletics or the people of the school, the totality of the school is also shaken.

"I remember as a freshman, faculty members would put their home phone numbers on the syllabuses to answer our problems at 'any' reasonable hour, so we, as the collective class of 1996, are indebted to these leaders."

Patten told students that Suffolk University refuses to remain stagnant and is involving and that it is constantly changing.

"New and experienced faculty are

helping students become a collective, a collective of becoming a class. Suffolk, in the fall, will open its first residence hall; this is new and exciting and will propel Suffolk into the next millennium with a momentum previously unknown."

Finishing, Patten said that as Suffolk changes, so too will the graduating class of 1996.

"Many of these changes will be influenced by that which we have lived and learned here at Suffolk. Therefore, we not need to fear these changes, but more, we should enter them with a confidence that Suffolk has taught us much and prepared us well."

"We are all banded by the fact that we are the product of the Suffolk University process, and for that, we can all be proud."

After Patten's address, the conferring of degrees ranging from Bachelor of Arts, Sciences to economics and administration, among many others, were bestowed upon Suffolk Seniors.

With the graduating ceremonies closing with the benediction by the Reverend Charles Rice of the Boston-Cambridge Ministry in Higher Education and Suffolk University's Protestant Chaplain, Suffolk graduates stood and walked out to a future in which many felt optimistic, nervous and proud.

"I feel excited," said Andrea Irby, "because I have achieved my most major goal to graduate college. I feel proud of myself and Suffolk for helping me along."



Photo courtesy Public Relations
Suffolk's new residence hall will be a state-of-the-art home for students

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made to hire students to fill the new cafeteria positions that will be made available in the dorm, though the school has encouraged Sodexo to use the student body as an employment resource.

Security a big issue for dormitory residents

The building lies close to the area of Boston that has been known as the "Combat Zone," and Suffolk University has made a concerted effort to ensure the security of its dormitory residents. To accommodate this concern, the school has increased the size of its police force to handle the security of the building. The building will be locked at all times, and card keys will be required to get in the front door.

In addition, two uniformed officers will be on duty at all times. One officer will be posted at the front desk to check in residents and visitors, and the other will be available to respond to calls, and make regular patrols of the grounds and common areas.

Plans for the dorm attract students nationwide

The dormitory will offer a new state-of-the-art computer center, a cafeteria, a recreation area, several study areas and a workout center. However, admittance will be limited to residents and their guests, yet there are plans in the works for school-wide activities that may take place in the basement recreation room.

The dorm is being used to recruit students from all over the country. "We're getting people that we never would have had a chance of getting before the dorm," Dean of Students Nancy Stoll said. As of June 5, there were about 310 beds reserved out of the 400 that are available, but officials were still waiting for orders from international students who usually take longer to register.

The cost of the residence hall will be \$7,950 for a double or triple room and \$8,950 for a single overlooking the Boston skyline. The money obtained in fees is being used to run the building on a "break-even budget," according to Dean Stoll. However, the school has plans to use the building to host some educational conventions over the summer in an effort to raise additional revenue for the school.

Suffolk's new Director of Residence Life, who has yet to be named, will help to develop plans for resident activities, supervise the day to day operations of the dorm, and help students adapt to new surroundings. Though the director has not yet been chosen, the finalists have been notified, and the announcement will be made shortly.

When asked whether Suffolk plans to acquire additional residence facilities, Dean Stoll said that it was "An open question... this is our first one [dormitory] and we need to see how it goes." But she quickly added that "There has never been a plan for Suffolk to be more than a small portion residential."

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PLEASE COMPLY:

1. **SUBMIT THE STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE WAIVER CARD** if you have other health insurance. State law requires that all students taking 9 credits or more prove that they have health insurance or Suffolk University **MUST ENROLL THE STUDENT** in the school health insurance plan. The \$ 496.00 premium will appear on your tuition bill. The deadline for waiver cards is September 27, 1996.

2. **SUBMIT YOUR IMMUNIZATIONS:** You need to show proof of having received two doses of measles, one of mumps, one of rubella, and a tetanus and diphtheria shot within the past 10 years. In addition, international students need to have a TB test (PPD) within the past year. If the PPD is positive a chest X-Ray report must be submitted.

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It is very important that you submit your immunization information before classes start in September.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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Entertainment and Leisure

Affordable summer movies and concerts for everyone

By Christian Engler
JOURNAL STAFF

Boston is a city brimming with activity, so much activity, in fact, that many students, faculty and individuals are not at all aware as to where to go to find it or how much it costs to enjoy a day or evening in a city with so much uniqueness, history and many other characteristics that separate it from all its other counterparts.

One special characteristic that has and continues to make Boston the jewel of Massachusetts, is the Hatch Shell, which has over the years, developed a reputation for its excellence in delivering to Bostonians and tourists alike its free rock, alternative and classical outdoor concerts. Like years of the past, the 1996 performing arts series at the Hatch Shell will be no exception.

With a vast emerald-green lawn next to the Charles River and gentle breezes flowing throughout the vicinity, students, tourists and Bostonians flock every summer to the Hatch Shell to

listen to various performers performing some of their best known hits. This 1996 concert year will see the likes of Little Richard, Spencer Davis to The Four Tops,

The Buckingham and Ronnie Spector with Percy Sledge

However, if pop or classical is not your cup of tea, there is jazz, folk and American band music that is also available.

More than its live concerts, free movies are also available, movies ranging from "Mr. Holland's Opus," "Casablanca" to "Pocahontas" and "Casper" The Hatch Shell's uniqueness comes from its diversity of its usage or rather what is performed or shown in it.

The Hatch Shell offers every kind of musical and movie genre for every conceivable age group.

To have a fun and interesting summer season where those not familiar with the city of Boston can find out more about it, come to the 1996 performing series at the Hatch Shell.

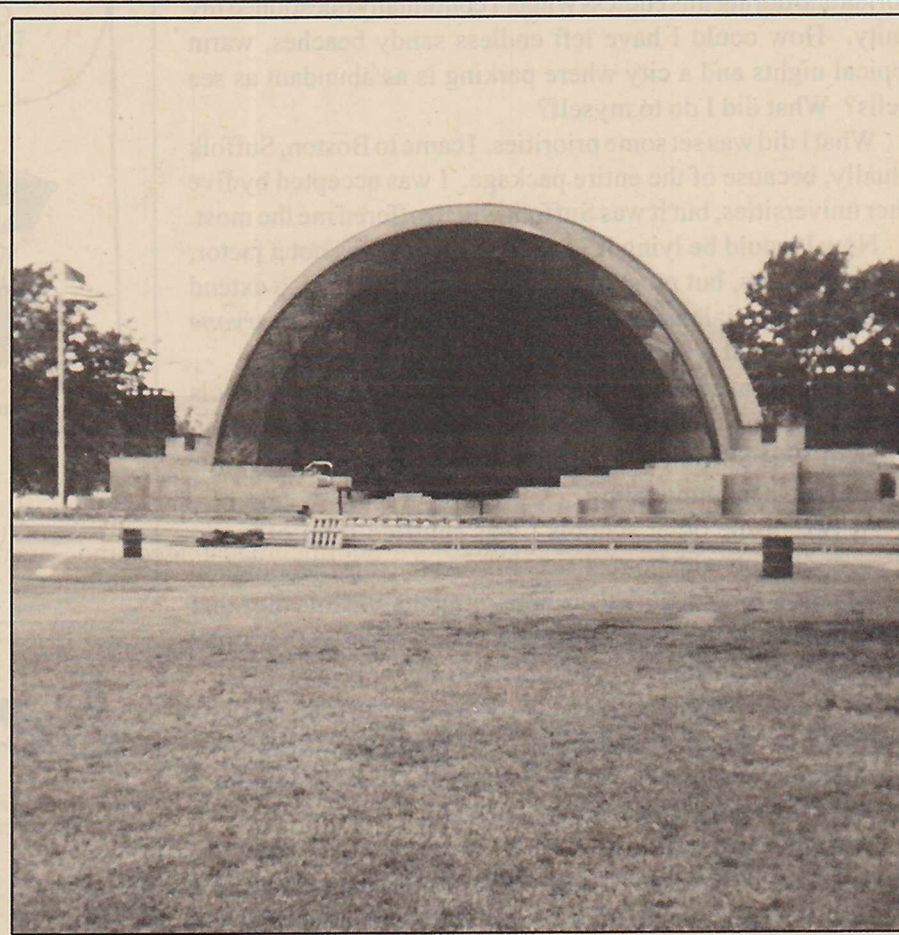


Photo by Ronica Hardway

Hatch Shell is the summer site of Esplanade concert series

SATURDAY OLDIES

Sponsored by WODS Oldies 103
Saturdays 7:00 p.m.

- 6/1 Little Richard
The Cadillac
- 6/8 The Spinners
The Brooklyn Bridge
- 6/15 30 Years of Rock & Roll featuring
Rare Earth, Otis Day & the Night, The Buckinghams, Spencer Davis, Mitch Ryder, and Merrilee Rush
- 6/22 Ronnie Spector with Percy Sledge
- 6/29 Neil Sedaka
The Chiffons
- 7/13 The Four Tops
The Marjels

Saturday, June 1
7:00 p.m. WODS
Little Richard & The Cadillac

Sunday, June 2
2:30 p.m. Aids Action Committee Pledge Walk

Saturday, June 8
7:00 p.m. WODS
The Spinners & The Brooklyn Bridge

Friday, June 14
7:00 p.m. Greater Boston Youth Symphony

Saturday, June 16
7:00 p.m. WODS presents 30 Years of Rock & Roll

Sunday, June 16
12:00-4:00 p.m. Boston Globe Jazz Festival

Friday, June 21
7:00 p.m. Mass. Youth Wind Ensemble

Saturday, June 22
7:00 p.m. WODS
Ronnie Spector & Percy Sledge

Sunday, June 23
7:00 p.m. Metropolitan Wind Symphony

Friday, June 28
Dusk - WBZ-TV
Toy Story

Saturday, June 29
7:00 p.m. WODS
Neil Sedaka & The Chiffons

Sunday, June 23
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1996 PERFORMING ARTS SERIES AT THE HATCH SHELL



July 2-7, 7:00 p.m.
Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra
Thursday, July 4
8:00 p.m.
Independence Day Celebration
Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra
Conductor Keith Lockhart
Fireworks display 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 10
7:00 p.m. WCRB
N.E. Conservatory Youth Chorus

Friday, July 12
Dusk - WBZ-TV
Apollo 13

Saturday, July 13
7:00 p.m.
The Four Tops & The Marjels

Sunday, July 14
5:00 p.m.
WFNX Jazz Series

Wednesday, July 17
7:00 p.m. WCRB
The American Band

Friday, July 18
Dusk - WBZ-TV
The Lion King

Sunday, July 21
5:00 p.m.
WFNX Jazz Series

Wednesday, July 24
7:00 p.m. WCRB
Boston Bar Association Orchestra

Friday, July 26
Dusk - WBZ-TV
Casper

Saturday, July 27
5:00 p.m.
WFNX New Music Series

Sunday, July 28
5:00 p.m.
WFNX Jazz Series

Wednesday, July 31
7:00 p.m. WCRB
Middlesex Concert Band

Friday, August 2
Dusk - WBZ-TV
Babe

Saturday, August 3
7:00 p.m.
Harvard University Band

Sunday, August 4
5:00 p.m.
WFNX Jazz Series

Wednesday, August 7, 7:00 p.m.
WCRB - U.S.A.F.
Band of Liberty

Friday, August 8
Dusk - WBZ-TV
"Wizard of Oz"

Saturday, August 10
5:00 p.m.
WFNX New Music Series

Sunday, August 11
5:00 p.m.
WFNX Jazz Series

Wednesday, August 14
7:00 p.m. WCRB
Southeast Mass. Wind Symphony

Friday, August 16
Dusk - WBZ-TV
"Mr. Holland's Opus"

Sunday, August 18
11:00-3:00 p.m.
Cam Neely Skate In-Line Boston '96

Sunday, August 18
5:00 p.m.
WFNX Jazz Series

Wednesday, August 21
7:00 p.m. WCRB
Longwood Symphony

Thursday, August 22
6:30 p.m.
WFNX New Music

Friday, August 23
Dusk - WBZ-TV
"Pocahontas"

Saturday, August 24
7:00 p.m.
WCRB
Gilmore Society Community Band

Sunday, August 25
5:00 p.m.
WFNX Jazz Series

Wednesday, August 28, 7:00 p.m.
WCRB Classical Music

Friday, August 30
Dusk - WBZ-TV
"Casablanca"

Saturday, September 6
6:30 p.m.
WFNX Welcome Back Concert

Saturday, September 21
10:00-4:00 p.m.
11th Annual Sober Day Say No To Drugs Celebration

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7/26 Casper

8/2 Babe

8/9 The Wizard of Oz

8/16 Mr. Holland's Opus

8/23 Pocahontas

8/30 Casablanca

Editorials

Suffolk is much more than a school

by Ronica Hardway, Editor-in-Chief

Coming to Suffolk was a big step for me. I transferred from Florida and during this endless winter I continually questioned my sanity. How could I have left endless sandy beaches, warm tropical nights and a city where parking is as abundant as sea shells? What did I do to myself?

What I did was set some priorities. I came to Boston, Suffolk actually, because of the entire package. I was accepted by five other universities, but it was Suffolk which offered me the most.

Now I would be lying if I said that money was not a factor, of course it was, but most of the other schools had also extend attractive financial packages. No, it was the people. *Everyone* I came in contact with was accommodating, everyone.

I felt more at ease here than I did at any of the other schools I visited. I came to visit Suffolk and three other universities in March of '95. Suffolk was the only school where everyone was pleasant and accommodating.

At two of the other schools I was shuffled from office to office, ending up with no real answers. At the third school they had somehow misscheduled my appointments and told me I that would have to come back in a week. No one cared that I had flown up from Florida, so I crossed them right off my list.

By April, I had narrowed it down to Suffolk and the University of Miami. Financially, I was going to receive equal assistance, but it was the attitude of all the people who I had met here at Suffolk which swayed my decision.

I remembered sitting in Bob Rosenthal's office candidly talking about Suffolk and Miami, Nancy Fine from Admissions spending time answering all my questions, Bob Rauseo in the Financial Aid office explaining all my options, and how every person I had talked to had treated me like I was important, not just an application.

Sitting in orientation, I wondered if I had made the right choice. Actually for the next few months I would still keep asking myself the same question, even though I made several friends during orientation, but today I know that I am right where I am supposed to be.

I came to college to learn and I chose Suffolk because of the way it feels.

Greetings from the Orientation Staff

To the Class of 2000,

Allow us to be one of the first to welcome you to Suffolk! It seems that yesterday that we ended the year by celebrating Spring Week, and now we are already preparing for another semester at Suffolk. Many new opportunities and challenges await you as a Suffolk university student. Our Orientation program is designed for the students by the students, to help you face these challenges, and take advantage of the exciting opportunities at your feet.

As Orientation Staff it is our distinct pleasure to introduce you to these many new interests through our own personal experiences. Several of our staff have recently returned from a trip to London and Prague, others are pursuing opportunities as interns in their major, and still more are developing the social calendar for the next year. You can get a taste test of all these fascinating interests and more at Orientation.

Many people here are eager to introduce you to our diverse clubs and organizations, enlightening study abroad opportunities, and anything else you can think of. At Suffolk, we feel that we have something for everyone.

After the conclusion of Orientation, our roles do not end. We are always visible and approachable so that you may ask questions, find directions, or simply let us know how things are going for you. With every new student who enters this campus, Suffolk will evolve and grow around you. Not only will the faces of our fellow students change, but also the campus continues to grow, and the opportunities are always increasing. We look forward to sharing and learning about these new directions of our University with you.

See you in September.

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Suffolk has many resources available

Jocelyn Meek

As the end of my academic career at Suffolk draws near, there are many things that come to mind when I reflect on the past four years. For those of you who have only just begun here, I impart but a few words of wisdom (ahem!).

Throughout all of those assemblies and orientations, by now you have probably been saturated with advice on how to succeed. No doubt you made faces when the 500th motivational speaker said "Suffolk is what you make it."

But alas, innocent little Freshmen, wipe that smirk off your face, for once the aged are right: Suffolk will, in fact, give back to you only what you take.

Okay, so now you are sticking out your tongue and twisting up your nose as your eyes scan this page, but seriously, don't let others lead you astray: there are a lot of things besides a degree that this institution offers.

Many of your peers will, no doubt, be in attendance only for that piece of paper, and not for the actual education. But you should plan to be different.

What you should aspire to is a well-rounded you. A majority of the student body are commuters who are working their way through school. Certainly, we must all tip our hats to them.

However, if you fall into that category, don't let college life pass you by. Get involved in something! Join a club, run for SGA, or pledge one of the fraternities or sororities.

In addition, keep in mind where you are: in the center, the very soul of Boston. There are a million things to do in this city: there are the museums, the Museum of Fine Arts, the Science Museum and Gardner Museum, to name a few; if you are into sports, go to Fenway or the Fleet Center. Do yourself a favor, and tour the State House,

the old section of the Boston Public Library (which literally has everything you will ever need) and the neighborhoods, the North End, the South End, the Back Bay; the list goes on.

Learning doesn't necessarily have to take place in a classroom: the Suffolk population is widely diverse, and you can learn from your peers as well as your professors. Remember: this is not high school, you are looking to win more than a popularity contest.

Two more hints: 1) be sure to take classes that may not have a bearing on your field of study, but which interest you.

Try an art class, or photography. College is supposed to give a wide base of knowledge, not just a narrow slice of accounting, business or English.

2) Use the co-op program. While you will probably find that the co-op department will do little for you, go out and seek co-op jobs and internships on your own. It teaches you about working in the real world, but it also gives you a sampling of careers, not to mention experience on a resume that will be key when you finally go looking for a full-time job.

I say these things now not because I think I'm some wise upperclasswoman, but because I wasted my first two years here cultivating my "I'm too good for you" attitude and staring into the eyes of a guy who turned out to be a pig. I was an idiot.

But luckily for me, I woke up and started looking around me. I realized the kinds of opportunities that were open to me, and began to take them. I think it was Ferris Bueller who said, "Life moves fast, if you don't stop to look once in a while, you could miss it." Well, now that you are here at Suffolk, stop to smell the flowers and read the books, if you don't, you just might miss out on college.

Let me orient you, says Jim

Jim Behrle

Me and my internet wife Ashley were on our virtual honeymoon smearing each other with virtual ranch sauce when my phone rang and kicked me out of cyberspace like God kicking bad angels out of heaven.

"Jim, it's the Suffolk Journal. We need you for the orientation issue!"

And whammo! Just like the bat-signal flashing against Gotham, I knew my time had come. I put on my cape and I ran to Derne St.

Who knows the ins and outs of Suffolk better than me? I've been here long enough to graduate three times and still have nothing to show for it other than stolen French laboratory tapes and a permanent group discount at the Red Hat. I was here before the Class of 2000, and I'll be here long after you guys pony down the isle at graduation, so listen up kiddies!

Here's everything you need to know about Suffolk but didn't ask, didn't care, and frankly are pretty steamed about having to read:

Like the dandruff shampoo you just get one chance. You're either going to be the kind of student who prospers

here at Suffolk, or you're going to be the kind who disappears during mid-terms and shows up at finals with Kahlua on your breath saying "But I did all the reading!"

It's easy street getting to that prospering thing if you follow my few simple rules. First, look like you're paying attention. Pretend to take notes. Professors love that crap. They think you're real interested in whatever they're going on about. Make those "I'm learning" noises like "ooh!", "yes!", "I see". This makes them feel brilliant and will get you at least a B, I'm telling you.

Second is attendance. I know it's a pain, but you have to go to all the classes and then to the midterm. After that you can stay in bed 24-7 until the final. Professors will say to themselves "Gee, that Behrle kid always comes to class. There must be something really wrong." This frees up your time for road trips and keg parties.

The third, and most importantly, ask questions. They don't have to make any sense at all and they don't have to be

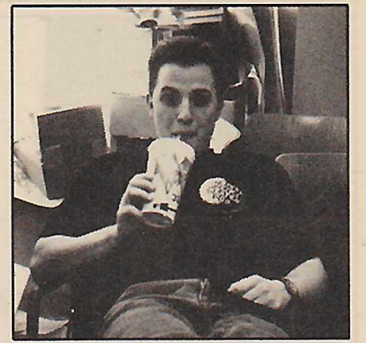
related to class discussions either. Professors like questions like junkies dig smack. "Excuse me, professor, but how does this relate to the Monroe Doctrine?" is a great, general, all inclusive question you can ask in any class from Womens' Studies to Calculus. Another one of my favorites is "This is an example of metaphor, isn't it?". I swear, that question is the only reason I passed French.

If you live in the new combat zone dorms, you needn't worry about getting to Suffolk. But for the rest of us that have the commute from hell, here's my general advice: the commute is fun when the people around you are having fun. I suggest playing bumper-tag with fellow drivers. It busts up the day in and day out monotony of the drive, and also can build to interesting variations like "lawsuit-tag" and "exchange of gunfire-tag".

For those brave and broke enough to take the T, I find that adding music to the ride can make the difference between happy commute and icky com-

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Suffolk has a community if you make the connection

Mike Shaw

"Welcome students!"

Yeah, yeah, who the heck wants to hear all that again, right?

Well, I sure don't. So, I won't say it. And, I won't lay all of these clichés about how college is the next step towards the real world and about how your lasting friends will be made in your classes here.

I'm no preacher.

But what I *will* tell you is that I know what's going on in your head right now. Just a couple of years ago, I was in your shoes. I was a kid walking in off of the streets, trying to find my way through a veritable maze of hallways and elevators and orientation guides... Just trying to find the room that I was supposed to register for classes in!

Not a good way to start off my college career.

And it's not like I was all that confident in the first place, so the fact that I got lost was all that much worse for my self-esteem.

You see, the only reason that I came to Suffolk was because it was the only place that took me.

No, I'm not an idiot. But I guess that I just didn't care too much about my future back in my good old days at BC High. I was more concerned with parties, girls (or lack thereof) and staying out late.

I had a plan, though. I would "settle" for Suffolk for a year and then I would transfer to a "real" school, one that was more well-known, one that had housing and on-campus parties.

I guess that some of my assumptions about this school were pretty much on the mark. There wasn't much of a sense

of community here when I first arrived.

There were no dorms to live in, no frats (with frat houses) to join. All of the movies that I had seen growing up, like *Revenge of the Nerds*, and *Animal House* and *PCU* were just plain deceptive.

So I found friends at other colleges around town, "real" colleges. I didn't hang out in the Fenton lounge or stop to get coffee at the Derne Street Deli or the Capitol Coffee Shop. In essence, I distanced myself from the school, preparing myself for the eventual transfer.

Well, as you can tell, that transfer never happened.

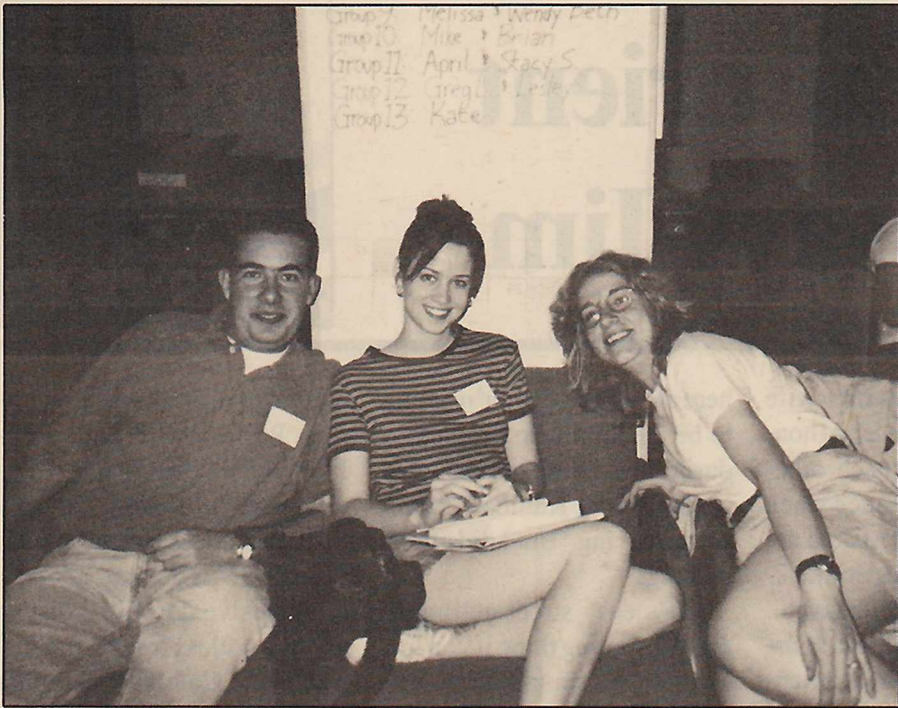
It's strange, but even as I tried to distance myself from this place, I found that it was growing on me. I joined the

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Olimpio Guarino, Alison Warren and Helen Spignese getting prepared to greet new students.

Photo by Christine Scaffidi

Orientation is more than a packet of papers

By Christine Scaffidi
JOURNAL STAFF

A summer without an orientation program at Suffolk University would be like a summer without a thunderstorm. We're used to them and we anxiously await one every year. There are dozens of people responsible for this program including the Student Activities Office, Office of Financial Aid, Registrars Office and many student leaders. Suffolk's orientation program is geared toward welcoming new students to Beacon Hill and to help them adjust to their new surroundings.

The staff is headed by Donna Schmidt, the Director of Student Activities and her Assistant Directors Lou Pellegrino and Jeanette Hixon. There is also a combined effort from Mary Lally in the Registrars Office and eight Orientation and Registration Scholars.

The Scholars are students who receive a scholarship for the year-round planning and coordination of the orientation process. This scholarship is available to all students who have a GPA of 2.8 or higher. The responsibilities of the Scholars are many, ranging from training new staff members to coming up with new ideas to make the new students

feel welcomed and at home in their new environment.

The Orientation program introduces Suffolk's two curriculums CLAS (College of Liberal Arts and Sciences) and SSOM (Sawyer School of Management), in such a way that the new students do not feel overwhelmed when choosing classes or a major. The departments explain how Suffolk's tuition process works and how to register for classes, which is accomplished through small group discussions and gives students a chance to interact with their peers.

The schedule of the program is laid out over two days so that new students don't get overwhelmed with too much information, have plenty of time to mingle with other students, and can have all their questions answered by their orientation leader.

Our orientation now includes the new Residence Life program, which is geared towards the students who will be living in the new Residence Hall.

With all the new and exciting things happening at Suffolk University, there is no question that being part of the Orientation Staff is the best place to be to witness it all!

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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We look forward to working with you over the upcoming year. Each financial aid applicant is assigned a specific counselor within the Aid Office. All graduate applicants are assigned to the Director of Financial Aid, Christine Perry. Undergraduate applicant assignments are based on the first letter of the applicant's last name. For your convenience, the breakdown is listed below:

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Christine Perry

If you have questions or concerns don't hesitate to contact us at 573-8470. Or visit us on the 8th floor of the Sawyer Building.

P.S. Information packets on the Work Study program will be mailed to recipients by mid-July.



GRAND SLAM POINTERS

1. *Get Involved! You need to step up to the plate if you're ever going to get your pitch.*
2. *Be on the ball! Stay connected and know what is happening around campus. There is always something to do, so keep your eyes open.*
3. *Stay caught up! Don't wait until you feel you're getting behind to use the fantastic support services such as: the Ballotti Learning Center and the Math Support Center.*
4. *Steal Home! Check out the new Residence Hall on Tremont Street. Even if you're not living there now, it's a part of Suffolk's exciting new development to keep in mind.*

from your 1996 Orientation Staff



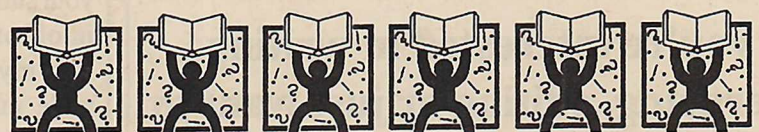
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mute. Try gangsta rap or speed metal. And don't use a walkman — that's anti-social. It's much better to share your musical taste with those around you. Boom box equals happy MBTA people.

Sing along if you like, or bring a guitar and bang out some hits solo. They may throw you enough money to buy lunch at the Derne St. Deli.

I wish I could share all of my knowledge about Suffolk with all of you, but you'd have to sleep with me to get anything more out of me.

My best advice is to drop my name around campus as often as possible. Professors and Deans will genuflect automatically at the mention of my name, and you yourself will become the most popular and desirable of the new flock just by pretending to know me.

Take care, you new and naive Suffolians. I know we'll meet again.

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radio station and got a show on Tuesday afternoons. I joined the staff of the *Journal* and got a column. I was having a *good time*.

After a year, I still wanted to transfer, but something was holding me back. I had made some friends. *Good* friends. The kind of friends that will take you out and get you drunk and *won't* leave you standing at your front doorstep at 3 a.m.

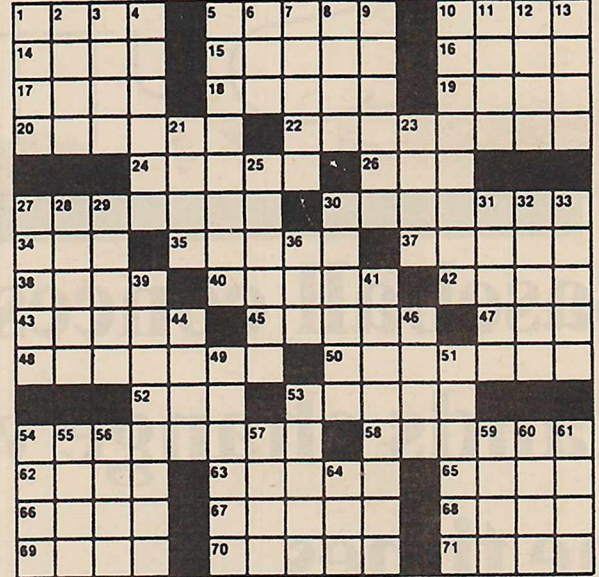
Suffice to say, I've re-thought my plans. I'm pretty much here to stay. I've grown to expect certain faces in the hallways every day, and something inside me just can't bear the thought of making a sweeping change of scenery.

So keep an open mind as you walk around on your tour. Maybe you're excited to be here, but maybe you're looking for something more like I was.

This place sure ain't right for everyone, but if you give it a chance, it just might grow on you.

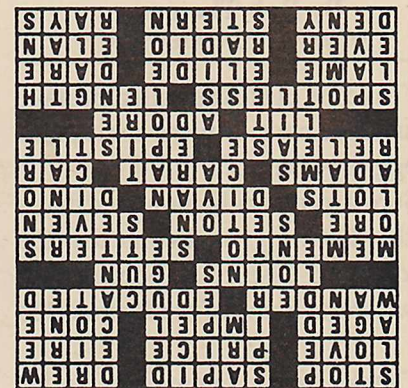
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 27 Keepsake
 30 Long-haired dogs
 34 Crude metal
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 37 Important dice roll
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 45 Gem weight
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 27 Large tooth
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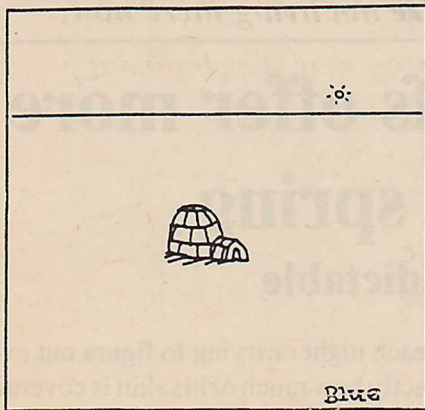
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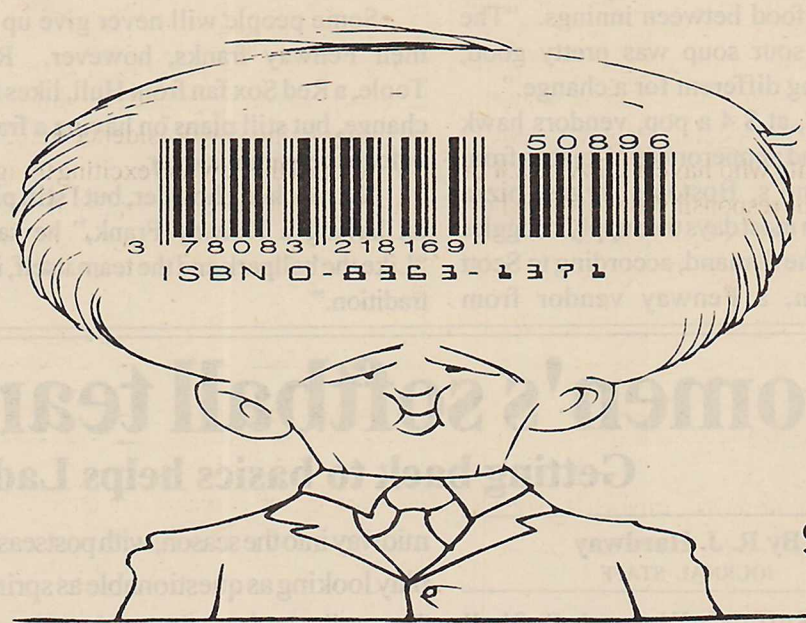
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Suffolk Sports

Baseball concession stands change with the times

Local merchants move into Fenway

By Rob Thomas
JOURNAL CONTRIBUTOR

"Take me out to the ballgame, take me out to the park. Buy me some pizza and egg foo yung ..."

Sure it sounds ridiculous, but that's exactly what things have come to in the friendly and historical confines of Fenway Park, home of the Boston Red Sox.

Thanks to the demands of an increasingly fickle public, standard ballpark fare is taking a turn for the exotic. Gone are the days when baseball fans in Boston had to choose between the soggy \$2 Fenway Frank and the even soggier \$3 Jumbo Frank. The tastebuds have spoken, and the powers-that-be at Fenway have answered.

Four local companies, Papa Gino's, Kowloon Restaurant, Cape Cod Cookie and Bagels etc., have joined Legal Sea Foods in offering fans an alternative to the standard fare of popcorn, peanuts, Crackerjacks and the infamous Fenway Frank.

Brian Warren of Hull was among those to pass up a hot dog and try some Chinese food between innings. "The hot and sour soup was pretty good, something different for a change."

Now, at \$4 a pop, vendors hawk cheese and pepperoni mini-pizzas from Papa Gino's, Boston's largest pizza chain. On most days the supply struggles to meet the demand, according to Scott Needham, a Fenway vendor from

Abington.

"I sell out of the things almost as soon as I get them," he said. "It shows that people are willing to try something out of the ordinary, as compared to what they usually eat here."

Customer response was very enthusiastic, according to Frank Bowden, a Papa Gino's manager. "It's been great so far, for customers and the business," he said. "We are able to raise profits while broadening our customer base."

Another big hit is the new bat-shaped pretzel from Bagels etc., the "Boston Big Bat."

"It's a novelty item," according to owner Frank Annunziata. "They [Fenway concessionaires] were looking for some new ideas, we gave them a sample, and they loved it," he said.

For Annunziata and the other local business owners, the chance to sell food at Fenway represents both extra revenue and increased exposure. In return, adding the local food chains to the concessions mix gives Fenway a way to upgrade typical ballpark food while scoring bonus points with fans in search of something new.

Some people will never give up on their Fenway franks, however. Rob Toole, a Red Sox fan from Hull, likes the change, but still plans on having a frank before the game is over.

"I love clam chowder, but I still plan on having a Fenway Frank," he said. "Like the ballpark and the team itself, it's tradition."



Hockey playoffs offer more entertainment spring

Basketball finals too predictable

By Ronica Hardway
JOURNAL STAFF

I love this time of year, warm weather, outdoor concerts and of course it's playoff time (basketball and hockey), but unfortunately all of my favorite teams either got knocked out in the first round or even worse, they didn't make it at all.

Usually I plan my schedule around the NBA playoffs, but this year I stopped watching a few weeks ago. How many points can I watch Michael Jordan score? And truthfully how many of you actually cared about the Utah (yawn) and Seattle series? Everyone knew that the Chicago Bulls would win the championship, but I was hoping to at least get a few close games.

The most exciting part of this year's NBA playoffs was guessing what color hair Dennis Rodman would be sporting

each night or trying to figure out exactly how much of his skin is covered with tatoos.

So I turned to my next love hockey and considering that the Bruins were knocked out very early, I found myself much more entertained than I expected. I know that the Colorado Avalanche just swept the Florida Panthers, but *all* the games leading up to the championship gave me a thrill.

Over the last few years I have found myself watching more and more hockey, especially the playoffs and this year was no exception. Even though I was disappointed when my team got knocked out early, the intensity and proficiency of this year's play gave me something to watch this spring.

The Chicago Bulls are an extremely talented team and have my respect, but when comes to being

Women's softball team wins championship

Getting back to basics helps Lady Rams turn the season around

By R. J. Hardway
JOURNAL STAFF

The Suffolk's Women's Softball team tasted sweet victory Saturday, April 29th, as they went undefeated for the day, and capped one of the school's greatest comeback performances to win the Great Northeast Athletic Conference Tournament.

"I've never been a part of any team that has turned it around like they did," said Head Coach Christine Carr. "It was fun to be a part of it all."

The Lady Rams finished the season 17 and 15, with 13 of those wins coming during the second half. record

midway into the season, with postseason play looking as questionable as spring. The endless winter dragged on, dumping snow on the city, while the team became buried in a blizzard of mistakes.

"I've divided the season into before the snow (4-11) and after the snow (13-4)," said Carr. "I knew that we had the talent to do well, but we weren't playing like it."

During their slump, Carr preached basic fundamentals. Her sermons paid off. Almost overnight they came together as a unit, executing plays and making fewer mistakes.

They were seeded third for the

league playoffs and faced Norwich in the first round. The team performed solidly, led behind the pitching of junior Simonne Lincoln.

The game went into extra innings with the Lady Rams emerging victorious, defeating Norwich 4-3. They advanced to the championship, to face the United States Coast Guard Academy, who had beaten them in both previous meetings during the season.

The team scored three big runs and Lincoln, supported by strong team defense pitched a shut out, beating the Coast Guard 3-0.

"I've never seen anything like it,

we peaked at the conference tournament," said Carr. "They played errorless ball and got the hits when we needed them."

Lincoln was named the tournament MVP and was also named to the GNAC All Tournament Team, along with teammates Leonarda Carriglio, Jen Connelly and Erica Peterson.

Maybe it was spring fever, who knows. What ever it was the softball team put it together and earned themselves and the university a championship.