SGA adopts anti-war resolution

Gillian Reagan
Journal Staff

Over an hour of heated debate among Suffolk students and Student Government Association members, SGA passed an anti-war resolution on March 11. By passing the resolution by eight out of 16 votes, the board took the stance that the majority of the student body is against the possible war with Iraq.

According to the resolution drafted by members of Suffolk University Students for Peace and Justice, "We, the Suffolk University Student Government Association, hearing the evidence provided above, and judging student sentiment to the best of our ability, hereby resolve to condemn any illegal actions of the United States Government in regards to the sovereign nation of Iraq."

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SGA members originally brought the resolution to the board during their March 5 meeting. SGA members voted to send the resolution to a review board.

Vice President Dave Rodrigues said the Student Judiciary Review Board reviewed the resolution. "It is a ruling that we do have constitutional rights to issue this statement," he said. "It is and was the individual responsibility of the member and the collective responsibility of the entire board to judge public sentiment to the best of their ability."

After SGA opened the floor to the student forum. The resolution passed with eight votes, seven voted "yes" and one member abstained.

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Faculty hosts war teach-in

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While thousands of students across the country were sleeping classes and hitting the streets in opposition to America's possible war on Iraq, nearly 100 people from the Suffolk community gathered in the C. Walsh Theater on March 5 to take part in the second teach-in this year on a possible war.

A panel of professors from Suffolk and elsewhere covered a wide range of issues on the war and took questions from the audience. English professor Gerald Simmons College who came prepared with book references and government documents in hand; and former Suffolk history professor and current member of the Iraq Foundation in Washington, professor Robert Rabil.

Allison began his segment with a poem from the history professor's lecture. "The U.S. is the only force in the world that can liberate the Iraqi people. The prospect for peace in the Middle East (rests) on raising standards of living."

"The U.S. is trying to revitalize its relationship with other regimes in the (Middle East) area," Allison said, referring specifically to Israel.

Hagopian said the Gulf War in 1991 gave former President Bush the opportunity to completely the job George W. Bush is trying to accomplish today. "A new world order was proclaimed by Bush Sr. Hagopian said. She explained the history and parallels of the first Gulf War to the present one and how the motives of the first Gulf War are still lingering over the nation's head today with the help of a cast of characters like Vice President Dick Cheney and Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz, who were each key members of former Republican presidential administrations.

"Sept. 11, 2001 was that event to mobilize the United States to ready for war with Iraq," Hagopian said. "What the Bush see Teach-in, page 3

Study finds students lacking sleep

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Journal Staff

Are you feeling tired or a little drowsy? Students are some of the most sleep-deprived Americans according to a recent study by the National Sleep Foundaton.

The non-profit organization found that people ages 18 to 29 are more likely to be sleepy during the day, take medication to stay awake and have difficulty falling asleep on weekday nights.

Only 26 percent of students get more than eight hours of sleep per night.

Some students get more than eight hours of sleep (a night)/average, but it doesn't affect my classes," said freshman Verena Seipp.

The organization's study, conducted in 2002, found that this age group sleeps less than it did five years ago, with more symptoms of insomnia. It also drives drowsy more than any other age group.

Dr. Paul Korn, a psychologist at the Suffolk University Counseling Center, said some student have trouble getting to sleep because they're thinking about deadlines for mid-term papers or an exam the next day.

"There are a fair number of students who are anxious and have too many racing thoughts," Korn said.

Korn said students are often see Sleepy, page 3
SUFFOLKSOLLS Urges Students to Sign Up for Service

On April 11, the SOLLS Community Service Center will hold their 6th Annual Service Day and Celebration Dinner. Service Day is for all members of the Suffolk Community. Over 200 participants will work two-hour shifts at agencies throughout Boston.

Some of the sites and activities for this year's Service Day include becoming teachers' aides in a kindergarten class at Ellis Memorial & Eldredge House Inc., painting for a classroom makeover at SMILE Preschool, helping with home-organizing projects at the South End, baking brownies and organizing food closest at The Paulist Center, organizing a library of resources at Peace Gardens, painting and cleaning an office at the International Rescue Committee, helping to prepare meals at Community Servings and helping with newsletter distribution at On The Rise.

Interested students can pick up a group or individual sign up sheet in the SOLLS center in Donahue Room 409. Group sign ups are accepted only for groups on the same floor of the building, halls, departments, co-workers, and club members, grad fellows, faculty and friends. Sign up online is also available at www.suffolk.edu/studentAct/serviceday. Deadline for signing up is April 5.

Suffolk professor hosts lecture

Robert Allison, an associate professor of history at Suffolk University, will give a lecture on the influx of immigrants to the Beacon Hill area and their consequent affect on the development of the University, will give a lecture on the influx of immigrants to the Beacon Hill area and their consequent affect on the development of the neighborhood. Titled "Evolution of an Urban Neighborhood: The North Slope of Beacon Hill," the event will take place on March 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Old State House Museum located at 206 Washington St.

Memorial foundation offers scholarship

The Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation is offering a $1000 scholarship to a deserving sophomore or junior majoring in history, political science, education or a public service related field at a Massachusetts college.

Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA. Award is renewable once and priority is given to applicants with a record of community service. The deadline is April 1 and applications are available in the Financial Aid Office on the first floor of the Donahue building.

SGA: majoritystudents oppose war

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student issue. This was brought to us by students and I feel we need to make a decision," Rodrigues said.

President Sean Powers moderated the student forum by calling on members of opposing sides to debate the resolution. Six students sat one side of the room that were against passing the resolution. Over a dozen students supporting the resolution sat on the other side of the room.

Senior Ryan Boehm and Suffolk University Students for Peace and Justice member Rob Laurent were the first to speak at the forum and make statements about their opposing views on the resolution and a war plan proposed by President Bush.

Laurent said Students for Peace and Justice members collected 241 signatures on a petition that supported SGA passing the resolution. "I have been encouraged by the amount of support that I've had by talking to students," Boehm said. "More than a few of the students that I talked to expressed their appreciation and thanks for me taking the initiative to support the president and the troops overseas because they have been under the impression that they were the minority on campus.""I find it hard to believe that the United Nations can accurately predict the Iraqi casualties in a war that hasn't taken place," Boehm said. He said the U.S. defense department should know that number. He disputed another item in the resolution that stated that a war against Iraq would increase anti-Americanism. "War, for one thing, there will be casualties on both sides of the conflict," Boehm said. "This war has potential to both reduce anti-Americanism in the region as well as increase our standing by liberating the Iraqi people from a murderous tyrant."

Boehm said he collected over 100 student signatures on a petition that opposed SGA passing the resolution. "I have been encouraged to take the initiative by students," Boehm said. "More than a few of the students that I talked to expressed their appreciation and thanks for me taking the initiative to support the president and the troops overseas because they have been under the impression that they were the minority on campus."

Boehm said that were against the war.

freshman Kristen Powers, who spoke against passing the resolution, said one of her best friends is an intelligence officer in the U.S. Navy. Powers said he wanted her to speak on behalf of him. She said, "I want you to remind everyone that the people on this board are average people who aren't going to fight for this country that are their ages. We are fighting right now. For them to declare an anti-war stance is a simple insult to every soldier that is fighting for them." Powers said, "They don't care what we think, say or do.

Laurent said he was upset that someone would think that the resolution is against the United States. "To think that we're anti-troops and anti-American soldiers because we say, 'No, don't make them go and fight' is for something that we feel is unjust is ridiculous," Laurent said. "To vote yes is to vote for the student body and the soldiers with the people at war.""Suffolk Sisters starts up

Deidre Scott | Journal Staff

According to a poster advertising its introduction, Suffolk Sisters is "a new student group formed for, of and by the women of Suffolk University" and "a place to express our views, concerns and experiences as a woman." Graduate Fellow and Suffolk Sisters staff advisor Lyndsay Agans said the group is for Suffolk women and the men who support them.

Suffolk Sisters is a branch of the Women's Program Initiative, which addresses the needs of female students on campus. Vice President Cheryl Cote said the group is for men and women to discuss women's issues, such as domestic violence and sexual assault.

Cote, a junior, said that she brainstormed the group into reality. She said that there are "issues that aren't being discussed and I wanted to bring them to the forefront." So far there are approximately 20 women and men in the group. "Everyone is already involved," Cote said, "because everyone sees women's issues every day, whether it be on TV or the State House.

On March 6 Suffolk Sisters held their first meeting. Although the group officially formed immediately before winter break, the open house was a means of "officially getting out there.

"It takes a lot to get a group together," Agans said.

Cote said Suffolk Sisters want to co-sponsor women's issues activities with the $500 they were granted this semester by Student Government Association.

Suffolk Sisters supported "Take Back the Night," held March 11 in the Donahoe lobby at 5 p.m. Cote said it was a "tribute to female sexual assault and domestic violence survivors and a remembrance of those who didn't survive." She said students read poems they either wrote or found that were very moving and said it was an "empowering event designed to end the silence in both men and women.

Suffolk Sisters will be co-sponsored "Our Voices," a "Vision Monologues" of sorts for the Suffolk University community, "designed to end the silence in both men and women."

We have invited all female members of the Suffolk Community to submit monologues and ones selected will be performed on March 26 at the Women's Coffee House at Common Ground. Chasich said, "Cote said Suffolk Sisters is "what women on campus need." Cote said, "I'm glad that Suffolk allows students to voice their opinions and allows them to have groups to support these issues, and this is going to be a successful one. We hope to involve as many people as possible and bring in students who support for hopefuls and care." She said Suffolk Sisters cares "about what students feel and what students want."
Students, staff discuss roots of hate crimes

Marlena Crandall
Journal Staff

On March 7 AHANA International (African-American, Hispanic, Asian, and Native American) hosted a forum in which the dynamics of hate was discussed. Members from the audience and hosts of the forum talked about subjects ranging from the idea that everyone is a victim and hate as a product of a lack of education.

The forum, led by AHANA administrator Carl Parks, was designed to "bring members of the Suffolk community together to talk about hate." Parks began the discussion by saying, "This should be a respectful talk. Hate is serious." He welcomed everyone in attendance to voice their opinions during the forum.

Panelists addressed the first question of the forum: "Are we all victims of hate crimes?" It was established during the forum through discussion that everyone is a victim of a hate crime because hate is an issue that affects all people.

People’s response to hate crimes and their victims was discussed. One comment made by an audience member seemed to sum up the general response, "I didn’t care. It’s not about me or my people so I just turned to the next page."

The second principle of hate was established: indifference. The audience unanimously agreed that most people don’t pay attention to hate. There are too many things going on, but they may no deal about it. It was also agreed that this attitude is one of the largest reasons hate still exists and nobody cares to do anything about hate crimes until something already happens.

The response to who are the victims of hate and the role indifference plays in perpetuating hate, paled in comparison to the response received when the role of education was called into question. All forum participants agreed that the problem of hatred has deep roots and is a product of society.

Many in attendance also criticized the media for not increasing awareness of hate crimes.

The secondary topic of the forum was Suffolk. There was limited conversation about hate crimes that have taken place on campus.

But panelists said there is hatred on campus. Suffolk police representative said there is little the department can do about hate crimes on campus. They can’t do much if they “don’t know it’s going on,” said a Suffolk police representative.

Teach-in draws about 100

Fred Marchant reads poetry from his published work, “House on Water, House on Air.”

Marchant presents poetry

Adam D. Krauss
Journal Staff

Celebrating the publication of "House on Water, House on Air," an anthology of poems written during the past ten years, English professor Fred Marchant gave a reading to an audience that packed the Minne room on March 5.

He reads poems chronicling his career as a poet, concentrating on the value of historical perspective in writing poetry.

"It's funny how historical perspective can change the way you write," Marchant told the crowd. "You can tell from the Suffolk community. "History is not the past so much as it is the past into the present. It's so strange how history moves."

Marchant reads poems detailing his summer stay in Ireland last year and recited poems he was working on before Sept. 11, 2001 and after the terrorist attacks. One poem was titled "After This," in which he urged listeners to be more skeptical about world affairs.

"My sense of the place of poetry," Marchant said after the reading, "is to sound the alarm when it needs to be sounded. What we're looking at now is something incredibly difficult in history."

"He's inspiring," said sophomore Allison Stendardi after the reading.

Marchant was pleased with the reading. "It was a multi-generational audience," he said. "To me, that's what I want."

The place of art is to resurrect and return to the simple truths being rejected."

Marchant is also the author of "Tipping Point," which won the World Works Washington Prize in 1995, as well as "Full Moon Boat.

He is also the director for Suffolk’s creative writing program.

Today’s students sleep less

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under pressure but they should "just relax. Take it easy. It is necessary to side-step this habit of constantly worrying, but just don’t forget about everything.

Krom said students should write down their thoughts before going to bed so they can ease their anxiety.

He also recommended that students listen to soothing music or read a book before trying to fall asleep.

Coffee drinkers, hoping to remain coherent for a few more hours, might have a few problems in their sleeping patterns, according to the National Sleep Foundation. Consuming caffeine increases metabolism, accelerates breathing and raises heart rate and blood pressure, according to the National Sleep Foundation. Consuming caffeine-related products can inhibit the onset of sleep, increase the time it takes to fall asleep and increase awakenings during sleep.

The foundation recommends that people try to maintain a normal sleep schedule by falling asleep and waking around the same time each day.

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Editorial

Cheers to SGA’s anti-war resolution

The Suffolk Journal editorial board believes those who voted in favor of the anti-war resolution asserted the right position. We disagree with those SGA members who argued that it was not the role of student government to take a position on the issue one way or the other. It is the responsibility of SGA members to act on issues of great concern to the student body, no matter how controversial they may be. The following is the resolution, dated and signed March 11:

"WHEREAS If the United States invades Iraq without a second UN resolution, it will be in violation of United Nations Charter Article 39 that states: "The Security Council shall determine the existence of any threat to the peace or any breach of the peace or any act of aggression and shall make recommendations, or decide what measures shall be taken...to maintain or restore international peace and security.'

WHEREAS The United Nations estimates that there will be over 500,000 Iraqi casualties of war.

WHEREAS Germany and Russia.

WHEREAS Another Iraq war will strain relations with America's neighbors throughout the world, including our allies like France, Germany and Russia.

WHEREAS This Iraq war will increase anti-Americanism everywhere and our country's morality will lose all valiance as body bags of America soldiers and Iraqi civilians drain the nightly news.

WHEREAS Terrorism needs to be fought with BRAINS, not BOMBS.

THEREFORE We, the Suffolk University Student Government Association, hearing the evidence provided above, and judging student sentiment to the best of our ability, hereby resolve to condemn any illegal actions of the U.S. Government in regards to the sovereign nation of Iraq.

Correction:

Suffolk University Student Government Association Vice President Dave Rodgers' last name was misspelled in the article "SGA to review anti-war resolution" in the March 5 issue of the Suffolk Journal.

Poll results

This week's question: Did you vote during SGA elections?

21% Yes

32% No

Letters to the Editor

Finding patriotism’s core

Dear Suffolk Journal,

In light of Ryan Boehm's article "Taking a shot against the flag," I think clarification is needed. Good of 'Weber defines it as "a love of country." Nowhere in this definition does it equate patriotism with a flag.

Patriotism is more than staring at a piece of cloth hanging from the rafters of an arena and reciting an oath which has been ingrained in our minds since grade school. I'm willing to bet that a better portion of people looking up at that flag have not truly contemplated what those words actually mean - though those who have, I commend. Patriotism is loving and respecting those principles our nation was founded on, and with that respect comes the responsibility to protect them.

No one has ever "died for the stars and stripes," as Ryan says. They died for our freedom. And how better to honor their sacrifice than by exercising those rights and freedoms they died for.

When Toni Smith turns her back on the flag, she is exercising those rights, not spitting in the face of those like her, who have the personal resolve to make such a patriotic act.

I think the last few months have seen patriotism resurging with a vengeance. Everyone is becoming more protective of this country than has from tragedy. Voting, once again, an act of patriotism. Too many more often win us feelings of vengeance and shock. "How could this happen to us? Let's go get the people that did it!" Patriotism lies not in a piece of cloth, but in each and every citizen of this country. It is with great respect and gratitude to those who have fought for our freedom, and the freedom of my fellow citizens, that I write without fear of reprimand, and speak without fear of oppression.

Every time I pick up a pen, I am silently thanking them. I applaud the efforts of Toni, and those like her, who have the personal resolve to make such protests. They are the one’s fighting so our soldiers will not have to make the same sacrifice as our forefathers.

This nation was founded by people, who much like Toni, had a feeling of dishonor and turned their back on their flag. We honor these people as patriots, and I suggest we extend the same honor to her, and if not honor her at least respect her right to protest in the way she sees fit.

It is ironic that the crowd of navy recruits shouting "Leave our country!" at one of her recent games was denying her rights which they supposedly pledge to support every time they place their hand on their heart and recite the final words of the pledge of allegiance, "with liberty and justice for all!"

Sincerely,

Chris Stasonis
Junior
Sex in the University

Operation: Birth control

By Jennifer Schwenzer

Kids: Yuck. I hate the little brats. I'm not exactly sure when my disdain for kids first began. I was probably six or seven. You're probably won- dering why I'm straying from sex and babies to this topic. Well, that's just because I'm a good, tax-paying citizen. Anyhow, the discussion between sex and babies, I suggest you take a trip to a sixth-grade sex-education class and the local pharmacy. You see, I've always questioned my maternal skills. For starters, I write a sex column, and the local pharmacy. That hurts my credibility like a DWI conviction for a bus driver. Second I lack and completely fail at any domestic prowess that belongs to every other woman in the world. It was just tonight that my boyfriend dared to ask me, "Honey, what's for dinner?" only to be answered by my middle finger. I'm pretty sure it all started when I got my first lifeguard job there back when I was ten years old. Before I left for college. I figured great, pay a skint, as a uniform and sitting in the sun all day, perfect. My job started at the disgusting hourly wage of 7 a.m., but I rationalized this by the maximum sun exposure. I figured I could get there on time, sip my coffee and get in a little nap before anyone showed up. I mean, who goes swimming at 7 a.m.? Rat kids go swimming at 7 a.m. They come with floaties, peanut butter and jelly, and moms who can't stand to sit inside with their kids all day. That's who you see. Before I could even sip my coveted morn- cup of coffee, there they were and I hated it.

The louder they got, the more annoyed I became. I decided to God for thunder and lightning or anything to pull the little bas- tards out of the water. But these kids stayed, and I got tired, and locked in the pool. The more they liked me, the more they liked me. The more they liked me. I mean, unlike a majority of too- cool college students, I still know how to be a kid. I knew nothing of the words "embarrassing" and "mature"! I vowed where I wasn't supposed to splash the pretty princess and brought an arsenal of toys that meant war.

So now that I'm finishing up my senior year and the threat of being a big kid is near. I'm disgusted. I don't know how to be a kid anymore. Yeah, okay, I may own an air- hockey table and PlayStation 2, but I've forgotten how to live a carefree life and not give a rat's ass about what people think.

My boyfriend's ex-girlfriend has a 19-year-old granddaughter who's turning a 10-year-old around the age of three, routinely comes over. She runs in and hugs everyone in the house. She's a kid! She always stops about three feet in front of me and sheepishly says "Hi." When I see her, I don't see an afternoon of fun. I see her and I remind myself to take the pill and always keep back up available. She reminds me that having a child is a lifetime commitment and that, wonder, how come she doesn't hug me?

So somewhere between working as a bartender for four years and taking attention deficit prescriptions, I lost my ability to relate. Where's she at? See "Sex, page 7"

Letter to the Editor

Professor gives history lesson on war, Iraq

As someone who writes and teaches about the history of U.S. foreign relations here at Suffolk, I feel compelled to say something about the present day "war on terrorism" in Iraq. I believe that those of us who have a history in the Middle East, beginning with a coup in Iran in 1953. Read, for instance, Douglas Little's "American Orientalism: The United States and the Middle East since 1945." The CIA has been working for the sake of the Iraqi people, "it's to be waged for the sake of the Iraqi people. See "The CIA's role in Iraq," part three of "How the U.S. is being used to attack America.

Some suggested that Iraq might attack America by supplying terrorism and deadly weapons of mass destruction. Despite all their efforts to do so, the Bush administra- tion has not been able to establish any connection between Al-Qaeda and the Iraqi regime.

Much more to the point, Hussein, a con- summate survivor, is certainly more worried that he will be blamed for any future terror- ist attacks on the U.S. than he is inclined to launch them. This was indeed the stated reason by CIA man Lewis "Scooter" Libby in a slide under massive pressure from the administra- tion to tell the public what policy makers knew about a nonexistent weapon of mass destruction.

The CIA said Hussein had little reason to provoke a U.S.-led march on Baghdad. Indeed, the opposite scenario was the reality because the regime has been embroiled in massive expenditures of public funds, and through sustained bombing and brutal sanctions.

Giving Iraq democracy is said to be a major objective of the administration. The United States has a very long, rich record of working against popular regimes in the Middle East, beginning with a coup in Iran in 1953. Read, for instance, Douglas Little's important, very readable new book "American Orientalism: The United States and the Middle East since 1945." U.S. policy makers plan to leave behind a regime in Iraq that will behave in accor- dance with their definition of American interests. That is an imperial, not democratic, mission. And is the goal of empire.

As you ask yourself if you think the United States would ever have gotten itself so heav- ily involved in this region otherwise. Tragically, most Americans are unaware of what has been done over the years in the name of their government.

But they are the ones who will pay for this conduct in the future in heightened insecurity, through the loss of loved ones in open-ended foreign crusades, through astro- nomical expenditures of public funds, and by way of a progressive diminishment of their freedoms.

This is precisely why, in my opinion, we are one of the moral voices missing in the debate. Some have ascribed the high growth rate of the deficit is again about to fly through the roof. Under the present arrangement, the federal deficit is again about to fly through the roof. Undertaking this war constitutes the height of irresponsibility on the part of American policy makers.
Bon Jovi boldly bounces back to Boston

Chris Dwyer
Journal Staff

Most rock music fans in the current aura of the scene might find it quite shocking that 80s-metal-giants-turned-legendary-rockers Bon Jovi have easily sold most of the steps on their current tour in support of last fall’s Bounce disc.

The truth is, the New Jersey natives have continuously proven themselves past the typical cliché of 80s acts gone sour.

While frontman and leader Jon Bon Jovi and guitarist Richie Sambora have ridden a new wave of songwriting by collaborating with outside writers, the final product has driven the band into a frenzy of fanscape reminiscent of their hairpray heyday.

It was only appropriate that Bon Jovi opened their recent set at the FleetCenter with the title track off Bounce, as it set a tone for the rest of the evening: good, old-fashioned rock ‘n roll.

Three large video screens adorned the stage, slowly moving into a frenzy of fanscape reminiscent of their hairpray heyday.

"You know, I’ve been looking forward to this show for a long time, Boston," proclaimed Jon Bon Jovi as the band, rounded out by drummer Tico Torres, keyboardist David Bryan and bassist Hugh McDonald, ripped into the anthem that kicked started their superband, "You Give Love A Bad Name."

The nostalgia was continued in a rush of rock power, as 1986’s Slippery When Wet saw more representation with "Wild In The Streets" and the incredible classic "Livin On A Prayer."

The night was pushed into overdrive with Bounce’s first single "Everyday," and another new tune, the Sept. 11 inspired "Undivided."

Sambora’s down-tuned crunches highlight the band’s new material, which is cohesively guitar-driven.

Bon Jovi’s lyrics are highly effective for musical solitude, "One for you and one for me, we’ll stand as one, undivided."

The band’s early breakout hit "Runaway" came next in the set, pleasing the casual Bon Jovi fans that probably have no interest in any of the band’s newer offerings.

The song was dedicated to David Bryan’s father, who had passed away a few days earlier.

The universal rock cowboy anthem " Wanted Dead Or Alive" was played early in the band’s set. However, no fury was lost through the poignant underlining of Sambora’s blazing solos.

The tune brought the evening’s first sing-along, as Jon Bon Jovi enticed the audience to scream the entire first verse before starting his own vocals.

"The Distance," one of Bounce’s stronger tracks, exhibited the musical connection between Sambora and Bryan.

Offbeat orchestration was in line with intense riffage.

The set’s lone ballad "Bed Of Roses" made its way into the foreground, complete with Bryan’s polychrome of piano delight and Jon Bon Jovi’s slow dancing with a young woman out of the audience.

Current single "Misunderstood" was followed by an assorted solo rendition of "I’ll Be There For You" by Sambora.

Feel-good tune "Somewhere I’ll Be Saturday Night" drew a large crowd reaction, and the new and heavy "Hook Me Up" played perfectly late into the night.

A mini-movie graced the satellite video screens during "Right Side Of Wrong," with Bryan leading the musical backbone of the tune.

The main set ended with a barrage of upbeat hits, including the blues-influenced "I’ll Sleep When I’m Dead" and New Jersey’s "Born To Be My Baby."

The band erupted for an extended encore that featured a cover of Barry McGuire’s "Eve Of Destruction," the 1992 hit "Keep The Faith" and the relinking "Bad Medicine."

Two Beatles covers finally ended a long evening, as the band ripped into "Rock And Roll Music" and "Twist And Shout."

The Goo Goo Dolls opened with 45 minutes of their post-punk influenced pop-rock.

The band released their latest disc Gutteiflower in April of last year and have been touring consistently.

Their set included frontman Johnny Rzeznik confessing his hangover status to the crowd:

"I猜 she wanted me dead but I’m here."

Bassist Robby Takac and drummer Mike Malinin were in tight form, bouncing out songs from Gutteiflower and the 1998 multi-platinum Dizzy Up The Girl.

Current single “Sympathy” and sleeper hit "Big Machine" were highlights, along with the mega-hits " Iris," "Slide" and "Black Balloon."

Willis and Belluci evoke “Tears”

Jennifer Schwenzer
Journal Staff

At first, my night started out like crap. Upon returning to my seat after a stint of petting in the bathroom, my boyfriend had already finished the top of the popcorn with all the butter on it and my coveted Mountain Dew was left to nothing but ice cubes.

And then when the world can appear no crueler, it appears to me like a beacon of light, like an oasis in a desert, like a free round from the bartender- Bruce Willis in all his die-hard glory.

"Tears of the Sun" is a movie about a group of super-hot Navy SEALs sent in to save an American doctor and nurse at a Christian mission in Nigeria.

It starts off as a simple mission as they go in to save four Americans. Rebel troops have assassinated the president and his family and have started to murder entire villages.

The doctor, played by a very gorgeous Monica Bellucci, won’t leave without the people from her mission.

So, an operation to save four turns into a plan to save 70 and Willis goes against her wishes and leaves her people behind.

However, Willis sees a village of murdered innocents and has a change of heart.

Here’s where I thought the movie would be different. I was hoping for something a kind of background information on why there was an overthrown, who was killing who and why.

I figured they would have enlightened us a bit about the current political state in Nigeria and how far off from Hollywood the bloodshed really is.

Since when have brutal people needed a reason to kill?

The big problem with this movie is, its about as predictable as prom night, complete with the technical run of problems one might encounter fighting rebel soldiers in an African rainforest.

However, it comes complete with my favorite movie recipe: violence, fire and hot men in uniform. Which are probably not the reasons my boyfriend chose this movie, but I think he caught on when I suggested he shave his head and join the Navy.

The movie is similar to a watered down version of "Black Hawk Down," except with a better-looking cast. I was hoping for something a bit more dramatic, but lately I’ll take whatever I can get, it sure as hell beat any piss as romantic comedy.

Bruce Willis stars as a Navy SEAL in "Tears of the Sun."
Unfashionably suburban

Jennifer Schweitzer
Journal Staff

I'm ashamed to admit it. Actually, it's more like disgusting. I work at a somewhat well known nightclub called The Palace on the edge of Boston. In no way, shape or form do I endorse or suggest you spend a night there.

So after this Friday night, I had seen enough. I was so appalled and grossed out by the clothing my fellow female population choose for this dive craphole that I felt compelled to take a stab at this week's fashion column in the Journal. At first I wasn't sure I would be capable of writing a fashion column.

I mean what am I gonna do, tell 3,000 college kids who can't afford Bad Light to go out and buy $250 underwear for Valentine's Day?

I mean, hello, this is the same columnist who paid $30 to rent a toga and watch swingers on a Boston Harbor cruise. My mantra is: if it looks good, wear it.

So, I've compiled a list of top 5raesenting

1. Let me guess, three months pregnant? Why is it that women who have the biggest bellies feel so compelled to show them off?

2. When girls who don't know how to dress write a fashion column.

3. The miniskirt, the tube top- all wonderful creations- for the summertime. So when it's March and the temperature has one of those (-) dashes in front of it, leave the California wear at home and put some clothes on.

4. Any woman who purposely wears anything four sizes smaller than what she really is. I call it size denial.

5. Any Revere or Saugus male wearing a t-shirt tighter than latex.

Maybe if people start hitting at the fact that these people look stupid, they'll take a hint. Then again, maybe not.

Sex in the University

I am convinced that the reason we do not hear both sides of the coin is that the majority of our professors do not know any conservatives. If they did, they would not paint them out to be heartless, insensitive rich folks out to screw the poor and the needy. If statistics taken out of the book "Nicked and Dimed" (which appears on multiple Suffolk, such as over-victimization or forced to go to universities like Bob Jones or Brigham Young to hear different voices. It is unfortunate that students seeking justice should not be forced to go to universities like Bob Jones or Brigham Young to hear different voices. It is unfortunate that one needs a college degree to get ahead of the game. The bitter rancor of commonly backed tabloids at Suffolk, such as over-victimization or anti-Americanism, could easily be found through simply eavesdropping over a cup of coffee in Cambridge for the much cheaper cost of about $1.75.

Sincerely,

Junior

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Stop the liberal flood

Conservatives from page 5

that is ill-equipped for such a joking manner.

I am convinced that the reason we do not hear both sides of the coin is that the majority of our professors do not know any conservatives. If they did, they would not paint them out to be heartless, insensitive rich folks out to screw the poor and the needy.

If all professors chose to do was spew out F.A. Hayek or Edmund Burke references or assign books by Ann Coulter or John McWhorter then we would be in line to receive an education as unequal as the one we now receive for thousands of dollars. Students seeking justice should not be forced to go to universities like Bob Jones or Brigham Young to hear different voices. It is unfortunate that one needs a college degree to get ahead of the game. The bitter rancor of commonly backed tabloids at Suffolk, such as over-victimization or anti-Americanism, could easily be found through simply eavesdropping over a cup of coffee in Cambridge for the much cheaper cost of about $1.75.

Sincerely,

Sean Flynn
Junior
"We'll let's see, I can put you in seat 7-A and your kids in 28-C, D, and E. Is that far enough apart?

Even if you are staying home, enjoy your Spring Break.
From the staff in The Financial Aid Office

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For more information for getting your event listed in Dateline contact the Student Activities Office at (617) 573-8082.

Wednesday, March 12
Faculty Advising for current students for Summer 2003 and Fall 2003
Life/Work Balance, 3:30 p.m.
Donahue, Room 403
Sponsored by Career Services and the Women's Program Initiative
FREE Jazz Concert, 7 p.m.
Donahue Cafeteria
Workshop for Families, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
Sponsored by Career Services
SOULS Supper Club, 5 p.m.
The Paulist Center

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Saturday, March 15
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Sunday, March 16
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Monday, March 17
Spring Break Begins!

Wednesday, March 19
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