Lecture on serial killers chills student body

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Dr. Jack Levin gives a lecture on Tuesday to a packed C. Walsh Theatre on the topic of "Serial Killers and Sadistic Murderers." The exorbitant prices college students pay for their textbooks may soon be history if a bill in the Massachusetts Legislature passes. Senator Walsh, a Democrat from Lynn filed the 'Act Relative to the Pricing and Production of College Textbooks' (HB1200) earlier this month. Since then, the proposal has gained support from members of the House. The bill would make publishers sell individual textbooks as opposed to bundling books with other materials. They would also be required to disclose differences in updated versions to professors upon request.

Textbook legislation introduced in House

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The comatose photo of tortured, mutilated, cannibalized, decapitated and eviscerated victims of sadistic murders flashed shockingly across the big screen of the C. Walsh Theater. Students squirmed in their seats. "It's a devastating phenomenon," said Dr. Jack Levin, a prolific writer and professor of Sociology at Northeastern University. "My view of human nature is a lot darker since the 1980s when I started studying it."

Levin's presentation, "Serial Killers and Sadistic Murderers: Up Close and Personal" on Tuesday, Oct. 23 was organized by Maureen Hynes, Co-Director of the Center for Crime and Justice Policy Research. Trying to break the tension and keep the presentation as lighthearted as possible, Levin added some humor where fitting, such as joking that his appearance has obvious similarities to Albert Einstein. "I think he really knows how to grab his audience," said Hynes.

Levin who has specialized in studying violence and hate for more than two decades has a B.A. in English, a D. in Sociology from Boston University and has written or co-authored over 25 books, as well as countless articles, and newspaper and magazine columns. He said that he has always been interested in studying aggression, didn't begin his work on juvenile violence, serial killers and mass murder until the 1980s. "Once I did a study on serial killers, I got into it," he said. "It was a growing industry. After that, everyone wanted me to talk about murder."

He discussed his many experiences in meeting renowned serial killers and sadistic murderers. Clifford Olson is a famous molester and child killer, pegged Levin's interest, causing him to wonder if Olson's traits were representative of all serial killers. "He would confess to me having committed murders that he didn't commit to up his body count," said Levin. "He was proud of it." It was at this time that Levin decided to do a study on serial and mass murders, the first study ever done on the topic.

Levin said that in most cases, the serial killer is seeking revenge. "There's almost always a catalytic event that sets into motion violent stages of the murder. The killer has suffered chronic depression and blames everyone but himself, but first he's going to turn out everyone involved in this 'conspiracy' against him." According to Levin, often times these sociopaths tend to have similar traits that help identify them as possible killers. "These people are socially isolated and have one way to turn to, and have access to weapons of mass destruction," he said. "James Huberty had almost every single one of these characteristics [of a mass murderer]," however, it wasn't until after Huberty killed 21 people in a San Diego McDonald's in 1984 that these warning signs were identified. "We should not wait until someone has murderous intentions to look for warning signs," said Levin, "because then it's too late."

Cho Seung-Hui, the gunman in the Virginia Tech shootings who killed 32 people, was noticed in the eighth grade by teachers and other students as being a troubled individual. "The truth is that most people really don't care until someone becomes troublesome to them," said Levin. "Edward Gein, the serial killer who inspired the character played by Norman Bates in the film Psycho (1960), practiced necrophilia and cannibalism on victims in Plainfield, a small rural town in Wisconsin. Gein is one example that serial killers often look like everyday people. "The truth is that these serial killers are extraordinarily ordinary," said Levin.

His many experiences as a professor and author have inspired many students at Suffolk to come up with the concept the panel. However, on account of Kurgun, a mild form of autism when she came out of the panel discussion, the university has to offer. "My classroom experience is pretty extraordinary," said Dr. Jack Levin. "I don't see myself as disabled,"

"I am a school and think of myself as disabled," Kurgun said, a senior at Suffolk majoring in Business Management. Kurgun has a non-verbal disability, dyslexia (in which an abnormal amount of cerebrospinal fluid accumulates in the cavities of the brain) as well as Spasitic Cerebral Palsy in his legs, forcing him to get around on crutches. "My arms have gotten a lot of note thanks to that," Kurgun grinned.

"I think the idea for a disability panel arose only six weeks prior to the debate. However, on account of Kurgun, who came up with the concept the panel quickly evolved. "This idea was completely student initiated," said Irwin. In addition, the other two students also volunteered to speak. "We want to promote disability awareness education at Suffolk as well as disbur any stereotypes that may exist," said Irwin, who sent out emails to all students and faculty members, encouraging attendance to this panel.

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Elizabeth Irwin
Coordinator for Disability Services

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Students unhindered by disabilities

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On Thursday Oct. 18, the Office of Diversity Services, in conjunction with the Dean of Students Office, hosted a Disability Awareness Panel, an opportunity for students with disabilities to share their experiences to others in a debate-like format. Thirteen students and faculty gathered to help promote disability awareness and spread understanding to promote October as Disability Awareness Month.

Issac Stahl, a first year student with a B.A. in English, Azan Kurgun, a senior majoring in criminology and law who gained support from members of the Massachusetts Legislature and has promised to lobby for it. Murphy is also the House Chairman of the Joint Committee on Higher Education. His motivation to support the measure came a couple of years ago when his son was a freshman at Boston College. His son paid $500 for one book which upon request. Murphy supported the bill filed by Rep. Walsh in that it would require publishers to disclose prices when they market their textbooks. The Affordability Act also gained wide support from various California education groups.

A second piece of legislation known as AB 1548 would force publishers to disclose prices upon request and print revision histories on updated books. Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, however, recently vetoed the legislation, citing the effect it would have on publishing companies.

Massachusetts Representative Kevin Murphy (Lowell-Democrat) supports the bill in the Massachusetts Legislature and has promised to lobby for it. Murphy is also the House Chairman of the Joint Committee on Higher Education. His motivation to support the measure came a couple of years ago when his son was a freshman at Boston College. His son paid $500 for one book which happened to be bundled with other materials. Rep. Murphy recalled his own experiences with textbooks in college and pointed out that he saved a significant amount of money by buying used textbooks. He also said he doesn't understand the need to constantly update editions.
Red Sox advance to World Series, Suffolk plans dorm-wide events

Since the Red Sox have made it to the World Series, Suffolk has been bustling to prepare the school and its students for the upcoming games and potential celebrations.

Director of Residence Life, Maureen Wark, said "There will be more staff on call" in the dorms and on campus to help curb any excessive celebrations which may occur during or after the games. Also, President David Sargent has said that any student involved in "inappropriate behaviors" may be subject to reprimand by the university.

For students there will be a "kick-off party" in each of the dorms from 7:30-8:30 on the night of the games. Kim Daily, Student Activities Office Coordinator, said "Our student lounges will have the games on and it's usually a good time."

The games will be shown in both the Sawyer and Donahue student lounges on their plasma TVs. "Other than that nothing has been made official," said Wark. In addition different clubs and organizations may have celebrations in the works while others will be cancelling some of their events due to the volume of people who will be watching the games.

SUPD Police Blotter Highlights

Suffolk Police responded to a violation of a restraining order at 120 Tremont Street on October 22 at 6:59 PM.

SUPD received a noise complaint at the Holiday Inn October 20 at 2:14 AM.

Suffolk Police received a report about the smell of marijuana on the 15th floor of 10 Somerset on October 19 at 5:29 PM.

On Oct. 19, 2007, at 12:40 a.m. Suffolk Police reported an alcohol and weapons violation on the third floor of 150 Tremont.

Police confiscated a knife at 150 Tremont St. on Oct. 18 at 11:27 p.m. according to Suffolk University Police.

Reports of a harassment phone call at 150 Tremont St were received by Suffolk Police on October 17 at 12:27 AM.

According to Suffolk police, on Tuesday Oct. 16, at 1:50 p.m., there was a reported larceny at 10 Somerset St.

A Suffolk Police unit confiscated a wooden stick being used as a weapon at 150 Tremont Street on October 16 at 3:14 PM.
Breast cancer luncheon starts a new tradition

Stephanie Seeliger
Journal Contributor

It takes a big man to wear pink, and President David J. Sargent was proud to receive the "Pink Tie" Award at Tuesday's Courage and Cuisine Luncheon. This is Suffolk's second annual luncheon to support Breast Cancer Awareness, and was held in the Sargent Hall Function Room. Panelsist Tobie Carson and Carol Dine, both from Suffolk University, Rita Rosenthal, of Boston College, and Andrea Gruber, of the Thrive organization discussed survival and prevention.

This October marked the sixth year of Suffolk's Breast Cancer Awareness activities, and guest Danielle K. Genstler from the Holiday Inn, Retired "...much bigger turnout than last year. There's a lot more men, too." The role of men in the battle against this disease has always been a sensitive one, but this year it became apparent that the men at Suffolk University have become increasingly supportive of the cause. When asked about the men in her life, panelist Rita Rosenthal, wife of Dr. Robert Rosenthal, Chair of the Communications and Journalism Department, commented, "They kept me laughing and smiling even when times were bad. That's all that were in my home, were males."

There was an informative slide show given as attendees ate their home, generously provided by Silverstone's, The Red Hat, Sam Lagrasa's, Kinalse, and others. It revealed the chilling fact that one out of every eight women will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer in her lifetime, and that breast cancer rates are higher in the state of Massachusetts.

After the informative section, President Sargent took the podium to address the crowd of survivors and supporters.

"I cannot imagine anyone in this world who is not in some way touched by breast cancer," he said, as he expressed his personal involvement with the disease and his hope for a cure.

Panelist Carol Dine and Norine Bacigalupo ambushed the President as he tried to leave at the end of his speech, and presented him with the first ever "Pink Tie" award. The award is presented "...to recognize a man in the Suffolk community who has given exceptional support and involvement to our Breast Cancer Awareness project," said Bacigalupo. The award itself is an actual pink tie, and will be presented to one Suffolk man every year.

In the past, President Sargent has provided funds for bracelets, shirts, banners, and other materials used during Breast Cancer Awareness month. He has also consistently participated in all the walk and luncheon. Moreover, Bacigalupo noted in her presentation speech, "Beyond funds, he gave us something more important and valuable; he gave us himself, by participating and supporting the cause.

"Breast cancer is not just a woman's issue. What better role model for involving men in our Breast Cancer Awareness program than the President himself?" Bacigalupo went on to say.

After the award was presented, the panel of four women began the discussion and question/answer section of the luncheon. Panelist Andrea Gruber offered a fresh perspective on breast cancer, as she was one of 12 who helped establish the Thrive organization. This organization is for younger women battling breast cancer, and their special needs and challenges during this difficult time.

Though the subject matter was weighty, the afternoon remained an informative and fun gathering. Pink ribbons and pins dotted almost every T-shirt, blazer, and blouse. As for the special award that President Sargent received, he assured all, "I will wear the tie proudly."

Jeff Yacht
Journal Staff

Communities across America have, in recent weeks, been experiencing an outbreak of Staphylococcus aureus, also known as MRSA. The infection has been hailed as a "Superbug" and has been showing up in schools across the country. The Superbug is what is known as "Community Associated" infection, which can affect people who have not recently hospitalized. This problem is not new however; in 2005 the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported nearly 19,000 deaths due to severe MRSA infections. The infection spreads most through person-to-person contact, and thrives in places like nursing homes, schools, and prisons.

After the death of a 17-year-old Virginia high school student on Monday the 16th schools nationwide are taking every precaution necessary to keep their facilities as clean as possible. "For instance," reports CNN Correspondent Brianna Keilar, "in this district [Bedford County, Virginia] they're talking about having regular cleanings, either monthly or quarterly."

Athletes have proven to be most susceptible to the infection; from open wounds, to sharing equipment, the Superbug spreads quickly in locker rooms, and schools are urging their athletes not to share razors or towels in an effort to bring the infection to a halt. The infection can appear as a boil or pimple, but can also come in the form of a sinus infection or blood disease.

A month after this, a 4-year-old girl in New Hampshire died from the infection. Cases have recently been reported in Ohio, Maryland and Connecticut; moreover, in the state of Massachusetts, the Superbug has visited at least one school in Massachusetts this month. This passed Thursday evening a cleaning crew was sent to an elementary school in Wrentham, after a girl in the second grade was diagnosed with an MRSA infection. The school's Superintendent, Jeffrey Marsden, spoke with the girl's mother about antibiotics given by injection or through an intravenous drip.

Last Thursday, the U.S. Senate passed an amendment that would require the Department of Health and Human Services' Agency for Health Research Quality to spend $5 million in an effort to both identify and quell the spread of MRSA infections. "This is a dangerous and deadly germ which is spreading all over the country," said the sponsor of the amendment, Iowa Democratic Senator Tom Harkin. "It's costing schools and communities thousands of dollars to clean up but the cost to human life and suffering is growing faster."

With Superbug cases showing up more and more in seemingly healthy people, it is important to stay educated and be aware of prevention methods. The typical symptoms of an MRSA infection are visible on the skin in the form of pimples, boils, or any red, swollen, pus-filled abscess that could appear on your body. More severe cases can cause blood infections and pneumonia.

Tips on how to stay MRSA free:

- Wash hands thoroughly and often.
- Keep all abrasions and cuts clean and bandaged.
- Avoid contact with the wounds of others, or anything that may have touched the wound.
- If you play sports, shower immediately after wards, keep all cuts covered, and disinfect all equipment.
- Don't share towels, soaps, or razors.
- Contact your physician about any suspicious skin sores or boils.

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Differences in on, off campus alcohol policies

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According to separate interviews with the Associate Director of Resident Life and Safety, the Director of Resident Life and Summer Programs, the Associate Dean of Students, and the Associate Dean of Students, being caught with alcohol on-campus and off-campus is the illegal use of alcohol.

"The typical minimum sanction for being caught with alcohol [on campus] is a $25 fine, a semester of probation, and an educational sanction," according to Keith Cheney, Associate Director of Resident Life and Summer Programs.

Typically for an educational sanction we use a program called Judicial Education. It is an online program that teaches students about alcohol and drug safety and abuse. Once they have completed the program they have to take a quiz and then e-mails which then gets e-mailed to [Residence Life] so we know they completed it," he explained. Cheney then continued, "We have a lot of students who use the Judicial Education as a tool for students, it has a lot of information about and aside from alcohol, the alcohol is one of the biggest things in my future." Although Smith is considering a career in law enforcement, she doesn't let it bother her, knowing a carefree, lighthearted attitude. "Sometimes I'm perceived as odd or quirky," Smith said. "I'm very open about being disabled." Disability was not a factor when considering future goals and aspirations. "I would want to be a state senator," said Kurgun. "Family and success are the biggest things in my future." Although Smith is considering a career in criminology, she was lighthearted about the subject. "We don't need to have one junior, I do not have to worry about that." smiled Smith. For Stahl, nothing is set in stone, as he is keeping his options open for what comes to. "I want to find some way of connecting with educational opportunity in people," said Stahl. "I want to be in a position of letting people know what is possible." This panel went far beyond the subject of disability, and became more about recognizing what is going on in the community. This panel is sponsored by the Disability Advocates and Suffolk has and taught every institution. "We have moved beyond it," said Kurgun. "I've had tutors that are alcohol policies.

Off Campus
- Disorderly/disruptive conduct: warning letter
- Party (host): probation, $100 fine, parental notification
- Party (guest): warning letter, fine
- Noise disturbance: warning letter, fine
- Possession/consumption of alcohol: probation, fine, alcohol education, parental notification
- Alcohol use to intoxication: probation, fine, alcohol education, parental notification
- Any student that is present when a policy violation occurs can be charged with at least a warning letter and fine.

Off Campus policies are set up differently. According to the Associate Dean of Students, Dr. Ann E. Coyne, if a student is caught as the host of an off-campu party, "The typical is a $100 fine and a disciplinary probation. If they attend a party, usually their first sanction is a warning." According to the off-campus student behavior policy, parents may be notified if a party is thrown, and participants of parties are subject to a fine. Always a break campus policies by throwing a disruptive party," their name is sent to the Dean of Students Office," said Cheney.

Allowing minors to drink alcohol in an off-campus residence results in probation, a fine, alcohol education, and a parent notification. "When an off-campus student is present when a policy violation occurs can be charged with at least a warning letter and fine as well. When drugs are confiscated on campus they can be punished in numerous ways. "With drugs it's a different story," he recently explained. "It's very up to the officer if they would like to press charges," stated Cheney. For a first offense of being caught with marijuana in the rooms halls there is a $50 fine, an educational sanction, and housing probation. Second offense includes a $75 fine, being put on housing probation for 10 days, and an educational sanction.

Off-campus policies dealing with drugs and alcohol are the same as on-campus policies. "They have no empty bag and come back with a full bag, security has the right to search your bag," said Cheney. "Because the Residence Life have had on-campus sanctions since housing has been started." It feels that it is a way to hold people accountable for their decisions. Off-campus rules, however, have been put into place recently. "I have had to change things into effect last year," explained Coyne.

On Campus
- Alcohol: $25 fine, a semester of probation, and an educational sanction.
- Second offense = $50, housing jeopardy.
- If the first offense is major, the punishment can be upped to housing jeopardy right away.
- Drugs = police involvement; It's really up to the officer if they would like to press charges.
- First offense with marijuana = $50 fine, educational sanction, and housing probation
- Second offense = $75 fine, you are put on housing jeopardy, mandatory educational sanction.
Fences went up and black uniformed storm troopers marched in. Kenmore Square was locked down. With the series at stake and the nation watching, Boston was ready for a World Series celebration. And once again Cops in riot gear, armed with what a Suffolk student described as, "sticks like Donatello's," descended on Kenmore Square.

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Controlling such large crowds is undoubtedly a Herculean task, and while flooding the streets with riot police is rather effective treating every area college student as a potential criminal does not make sense. The Snellgrove incident was what resulted in BPD's current approach to post-game celebrations, but that incident wasn't entirely a result of college kids gone wild. Rather, it was a result of untrained and overzealous officers firing into a largely innocent crowd. Had the police taken a less aggressive approach to controlling the crowd perhaps the outcome might have been different, although there might always be some minor property damage due to the actions of a few in the larger celebration of a championship. Yet BPD has learned little as their view of all students as dangerous criminals has yet to change. The only difference between now and 2004 seems to be the sheer number of police on the streets. Though they might not fire "non-lethal" projectiles into the crowds this time the aforementioned "Donatello sticks" are in their hands for a purpose.

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Such an attitude is part of a larger trend where blame for a small group's misconduct is piled upon Boston's students, the majority of whom are here for a degree and could not care less about causing drunken mayhem. Unfortunately no amount of letters from the University's administration or speeches about conduct during freshman orientation can dissuade the type of fool who celebrates by destroying property. Additionally some community groups simply refuse to believe that college students can be responsible adults, resulting in programs such as Suffolk's Ride Along and BPD's Operation Rolling Thunder. Instead of such wastes of police manpower not only do perceptions of students need to change, our own attitudes toward personal responsibility are also in need of a serious overhaul. While it's nice to get mad at the cops or various civic associations over this issue the fact is that as students we have a responsibility to reign in our peers when they engage in illegal conduct. It could be something as simple as a quick, "What the f**k?" when a friend suggests climbing a light pole or getting more involved by physically restraining someone trying to break a car window. We're all adults (BPD and students) and as adults we need to take responsibility for our actions.

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A lesson in Musichusettes

Jeffrey Vachon
Journal Staff

With an extensive body of work that includes acting in independent films and television shows, Jeffrey Vachon has made a name for himself in the industry. His career has seen him work on projects such as "Wristcutters: A Love Story," where he portrayed the role of Zia. In this film, Vachon's performance was praised for its depth and emotion, which helped bring the character to life.

In "Wristcutters," Vachon plays Zia, a young woman who finds herself in purgatory after committing suicide. As she navigates this afterlife, she encounters a group of other people who have also taken their own lives. Through their interactions, Zia begins to understand the reasons behind their choices and the impact they had on those left behind.

Vachon's portrayal of Zia is praised for its authenticity and vulnerability. He successfully conveys the character's confusion and sense of loss, which are central themes in the film. His ability to bring this character to life is a testament to his skill as an actor.

In addition to his work on "Wristcutters," Vachon has also appeared in other notable films such as "The Suffering" and "The Life aquatic with Steve Zissou." His career has seen him work with some of the biggest names in the industry, including director Wes Anderson, who directed "The Life aquatic with Steve Zissou." Vachon's work has earned him critical acclaim and has helped him establish himself as a talented and versatile actor.

In conclusion, Jeffrey Vachon's performance in "Wristcutters: A Love Story" is a standout moment in his career. His ability to bring depth and emotion to his role is a testament to his talent as an actor. With continued work in the industry, Vachon is sure to leave a lasting impact on the film world.
ICA mixes technology with breathtaking views
Shanah Zilberkeit
Journal Staff

As far as modern art goes, a number of museums don't quite live up to the absolute modernity of the Boston’s newest modern art installation, the Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA).

"Design Life Now," the museum's first exhibition, incorporates aspects of everyday life and makes the viewer aware of the art behind everyday things. The ICA makes the visitor realize the beauty behind things that were previously looked at as being ordinary. After having viewed the inspiring inventions and designs of the contemporary artists the viewer becomes not only aware but starts thinking about the ideas behind the designs and what they affect in our lives. The ICA makes the visitor focus on the deeper meaning of design in our generation. What is so special about all the designs presented within the ICA is that they are all environmentally friendly and also aspire to create a healthier environment.

"Design Life Now" is organized by the Smithsonian's Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum, which presents the designs as part of a continuous art-show that displays the freshest and best quality designs over the past three years. The designs range from architecture, product-design, furniture, film, graphics, new technologies, animation, science, and fashion. The exhibition "Design Life Now" is based on fundamentals; emulating life, community, hand-crafted and do-it-yourself design and transformation.

One of the most fascinating works of art within the ICA is a sculpture of a gigantic spider by the artist Louise Bourgeois. It takes over an entire room and is quite breathtaking. By creating such an upscale sculpture of a steel spider, the artist inverts the typical scale of person to spider, making a room taken over by a giant insect very thought-provoking. By reading about Bourgeois and her art, it's easy to become fascinated by the spider which Bourgeois says resembles: "industriousness, protection, self-defense and fragility."

By looking at the many contemporary Apple iMacs rowed up next to each other and placed on slanted bleachers, one would not be able to stop gazing at the water which can be seen through the tremendous glass windows. In the multimedia room, ones sight is being pushed into the water below, the contrast between multimedia and nature's beauty become evident and striking at once. The slanted bleachers mirror huge glass windows which offer an intriguing view of the waters of the harbor.

One does not even have to enter the ICA to become stimulated. Visitors can relax on the bleachers and overlook the beautiful Boston harbor and the ICA is a place to reminisce and think of the future at the same time. One can also eat at the lovely cafe while talking about the exciting and exhilarating ICA experience. The museum magnificently contrasts technology and nature at its best while presenting painting, sculpture, photography, video and performance art. The museum enables anyone in Boston to become involved and connected by presenting films, lectures, musical performances, poetry readings, and educational programs for children and adults.

For students who would like to explore the ICA there are free tours on Thursdays at 6pm, Saturday and Sundays at 2pm.

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What are you listening to this week?

Tim Rosenthal
Magic-Bruce Springsteen (2007, Columbia Records)

Sports Editor

Open up and say... VS.-Pearl Jam (1993, Epic)

Black Osbourne (2007, Sony)
**Arts Briefs**

**Photo exhibition opening reception**

Check out the world through the eyes of the homeless people of Boston. Experience photographs by ten homeless photographers from Neighborhood Action that have volunteered to share personal images of their everyday activities. There will be a reception on Nov. 1, in the Poetry Center in the Sawyer Library at 73 Treamont St. The month-long exhibit will be on display in the Donahue Hall fourth floor gallery.

**NESAD exhibit is to be seen**

A new exhibit just opened at the New England School of Art and Design titled "Never Been Seen," by artist Susan Nichter. There is a gallery talk with the artist on Fri. Oct. 23 at 1pm in the gallery area at 73 Treamont St. Listen to what the artist has to say about her paintings, and see what it's like to be homeless.

**Hate blank space? Well, so do we.**

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**Upcoming Film**

*Dan In Real Life*

A romance collides head on into the perils of family relationships with funny results that are sure to keep you laughing espically when it includes Steve Carell.

**No growth, no progress, same old riffs, incredibly refreshing**

Janssen McCormick

Journal Staff

Satanic Warmaster-Revelation (No Colours Records, 2007)

Satanic Warmaster's name pretty much rules out the pretensions of high concept black metal bands that have been all the rage over the past few years. Yet when they added Mikko Aspa of Clandestine Blaze and (supposedly) Drushkelp Omaga as drummer on this four song EP, one couldn't help but wonder (or worry) if they'd finally update their sound. But Aspa's only there to drum; there are no song titles in Latin or some other dead language, nor are there eighteen minute tracks with multiple movements. On this EP we're treated to three tracks of boilerplate black metal with tracks such as "Wolves of Revelation" hitting upon lyrical themes such as war, wolves, blood, and honour. It doesn't get anymore cliché than "On the deep snow in the blackest final winter/Where the paws of the beasts have trodden/The flowers of a new black order shall bloom/in Lucifer's endless morbid grace." With that said the EP is actually a decent listen; a nice alternation between the blasting on "Wolves of Revelation," and the more mid-tempo thrust of the final track. It's the same idea that made Darkthrone's older records so great, a raw band playing with an excellent sense of timing and a knack for headbanging riffs. Particularly excellent is Aspa's drumming on "Sign of Fighter's Scorn" which chaotically shifts between a mid-tempo thrasher and blasting. Yet for some inexplicable reason the EP doesn't kick off with "Wolves of Revelation," instead beginning with a foolish instrumental introduction (written by Malkita Eskshra of Borknag). It could be argued that this was done in the interests of creating an atmosphere, but come on, it's a Satanic Warmaster EP, not exactly a release that needs an intro.

**WITTR rise above trends, produce classic album**

Janssen McCormick

Journal Staff

Wolves in the Throne Room-Two Hunters (Southern Lord, 2007)

Before getting into the review, a few statements on Wolves in the Throne Room. If I think in great that Allston hipster doncheggs finally have a black metal band to call their own. "I liked Wolves in the Throne Room a lot better when they were called Weaking." I didn't know Wolves in the Throne Room were allowed to leave their mystical forest cabin because of modern technology. Maybe they can play a tour live via a very very very long string running between a cup in the venues and a cup mounted in their cabin. "I will never stop cracking on Wolves in the Throne Room, even after they make two albums which I really enjoy." Opps, that last one was me.

**Bored to death metal**

Janssen McCormick

Journal Staff

Cirith Gorgor-S/T (Ketzer Records, 2007)

If black metal was a job, Cirith Gorgor would have been fired because of this garbage. It seems as if the band simply wrote one song (drums set to blast!), put in breaks and came up with a few song titles. Oh, for effect, here's how the review would have gone if I took the Cirith Gorgor song writing approach to review writing:

There's absolutely nothing wrong with making a generic second wave black metal record.

Yes, despite the people buying their t-shirts in youth size medium. Wolves in the Throne Room have put out a great album of droning black metal. Heavily indebted to Burzum rather than Xasthur (which is sort of like making a photo of a painting of a picture, considering how much Malefic owes to Burzum and Mutilation.) But at a much faster pace and without the foolish antics going on in the background. Amazingly, for a band with such a neo-luddite philosophy, the production is incredibly crisp. For such reasons, Wolves in the Throne Room rise above the noise and the garbage popular in black metal today and alone for their trendy appeal.

**Got a story idea for arts?**

SuffolkArts@gmail.com
Wednesday 10/24

Tonight is the night to see if Drag Performance 101 has paid off. Come watch your fellow students strut their stuff next to the pros in the Common Grounds. Watch your fellow students strut their stuff Performance 101 has paid off. Come interview? Come to Career Services' 30 minute Career Workout today and learn all the techniques and info you need to know in order to "Knock 'em dead" as they put it. The workshop begins at 12p.m. and is located in Career Services Conference Room on the first floor of 20 Ashburton, adjacent to the Sawyer building. For more information you can call (617) 573-8480.

Get into the Halloween spirit and come visit the town famous for its witches, ghosts, and goblins...Come to "The Official Salem Witches Halloween Ball" in Salem! The event is being held from 7:30p.m.-12:30a.m. at the haunted Hawthorne Hotel located at 18 Washington Square West Salem, Massachusetts 01970, and will feature Christian Day and the Witches of Salem with special guests Celebrity Witch Fiona Horne and Dragon Ritual Drummers. For ticket information call 800-595-4TIX, or buy them online at www.4tix.com.

Thursday 10/25

Some like the Sharks, while others prefer the Jets. Some love Maria while others like Tony. Regardless of your preference, head over to the Boston Conservatory tonight for a production of West Side Story. This classic story will be performed and will include the original choreography reconstructed by Stephen Reed and Michelle Chasse. While it can't be guaranteed that Natalie Wood will lead or Leonard Bernstein will be in the audience, you can be guaranteed an inexpensive, entertaining evening of theater. The show is at 8 p.m. at the Boston Conservatory, which is located at 8 The Fenway, Boston, MA. Tickets are $5 for students. For more information call (617) 912-9222.

As students at an American university, we seem to take our education for granted and assume it's always going to be here. Not everyone is so lucky. Dr. Tahir Al-Bakaa is the former Minister of Education of the Republic of Iraq and his lecture, part of the history department's lecture series, is called "Iraqi Higher Education in Peril." Come hear him speak today at One Bowdoin Square, 6th Floor at 1 p.m. Call (617) 573 8116 for more information.

Friday 10/26

Want to help support the kids at the Boston Medical Center? Volunteer at Halloween Town today! All proceeds go straight to helping the 25,000 pediatric patients at the Boston Medical Center, the neediest population in the Boston area. Help out at this fun-filled event and enjoy a day at the Boston seaport surrounded by concerts, pumpkin decorating, laser tag, costume contests, free giveaways and much more. The fun goes from 10a.m.-6p.m. Head over to the Seaport World Trade Center, located at 100 Seaport Boulevard, Boston. For more information on how you can become a volunteer, log on to http://www.halloweentownboston.com/volunteer/resources.php.

Want to rock out tonight? Head over to The Roxy for this year's Halloween Rock Show and start off your Halloween week with a great event. The lineup will feature bands including Debris, Genuflect, Till We Die, Gravehaven, Drugs, and Escape 2 Everything. The doors open at 5 p.m. and the event is for all ages. The Roxy is located at 297 Tremont St. Boston, MA. Tickets are available online for $15 and limited tickets will be available at the door for $20. Visit www.clubzone.com for details and more information.

Monday 10/29

Come out and celebrate for a good cause! Tonight from 7p.m.-midnight, you can celebrate "rocktober" and the fight against breast cancer at the Hard Rock Cafe at 22-24 Clinton Street (Faneuil Hall), Boston. This event includes live music, drinks, hors d'oeuvres, door prizes and a silent auction. Tickets are $30. 100 percent of the proceeds go to the Ellie Fund, a non-profit organization that is fighting breast cancer and helping families and patients affected in Massachusetts. For more information and to purchase tickets log on to http://www.elliefund.org/pinktieball.htm.

It's Monday which means it's jazz night at Wally's Café Jazz Club. Head over to 427 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston MA tonight between 9p.m.-2a.m. to hear some great jazz music. Wally's Café Jazz Club is 21+. For more information, log on to www.wallyscafe.com/.

Tuesday 10/30

It's Tuesday which means you are invited to attend Suffolk University Hillel at 1p.m. in the Interfaith Center. The Interfaith Center is located in Donahue Square. 540. For more information, you may contact the Rev. Amy Fisher, University Chaplain, at extension 8325. You may also e-mail her at afisher@suffolk.edu.

"When we play rummy, I cheat so she can win." Imagine my surprise when you loved me back." These secrets and many others can be found in the book PostSecret written by Frank Warren. Tonight you can head over to the Brattle Theater located at 40 Brattle St. Harvard Square, Cambridge, MA to hear Warren speak about his book A Lifetime of Secrets. A limited number of Secret boxes will be available for $10 and can be purchased at the Harvard Book Store. The event begins at 6p.m. For more information log on to http://www.brattlefilm.org/brattlemfilm/index.html.
Rams' Athletics

Calendar 10/24-10/30

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To Members of Suffolk's Student Community:

While we all share in the joy and success of the Boston Red Sox, the recent tragic events involving post-game celebrations reminds us that this time poses unique dangers and demands the utmost in caution from our students, and vigilance from our University.

We remind students to refrain from any disruptive or inappropriate behavior both on and off University grounds before, during and after World Series games. Students involved in any such behavior may be subject to a number of possible police actions including arrest and prosecution. In addition, in the event any Suffolk University student is found to be involved in any such activity, it is the policy of the Boston Police to inform the University of the name of the student(s).

In the event the University is notified of inappropriate behavior by a Suffolk student, that student will be subject to the provisions of the Suffolk University Policy for Off-Campus Behavior. If found responsible, a student may face sanctions up to and including loss of University privileges, suspension, or dismissal from Suffolk University.

With the privilege of living and learning in Boston, comes the responsibility to respect its laws and quality of life. While it is important that students enjoy their college experience, they should also be aware that they are at all times ambassadors for themselves and Suffolk University. Suffolk University asks that while you enjoy this exciting time, please be safe and behave responsibly.

Sincerely,

David J. Sargent
President, Suffolk University
C's lose lottery, gain relevance

Daniel Ryan
Journal Staff

One of the worst seasons in franchise history mercifully ended for the Boston Celtics on April 18, 2007. Surprisingly enough, the Celtics actually ended their campaign with a win over the Detroit Pistons, one of only 24 on the season.

It was a season to forget, as the men in green and white had to endure the deaths of franchise patriarch Red Auerbach and former player Dennis Johnson, numerous injuries to key players, and a franchise record 18 game losing streak.

After suffering all of these hardships, Celtics fans had to feel like they were being kicked while down when the Celtics received the fifth overall pick in the 2007 draft, the lowest possible pick they could receive, losing out on the Greg Oden/Kevin Durant sweepstakes. It was looking like another in a series of bleak seasons for the Celtics and their fans. Also, amidst all of this turmoil, their were reports that the Celtics' only real scoring threat, and the heart and soul of their team, captain Paul Pierce, was growing weary of the constant "rebuilding" and was preparing to request a trade. Ouch! It was looking like another long winter for basketball fans in the Hub, as this once proud franchise seemed to be sinking further and further into disarray.

Then, in a span of about one month this summer, everything changed. On what appeared to be a "lost cause" draft day, the Celtics made a splash by trading forward Wally Szczerbiak, guard Delonte West and the draft rights to Georgetown's Jeff Green to the Seattle Supersonics for seven-time All-Star Ray Allen and the 35th overall draft pick.

The Celtics weren't done on Draft Day, however, as they also used their remaining picks to select Gabe Pruitt from the University of Southern California (32nd overall) and Glen "Big Baby" Davis (35th overall, from Seattle) out of Louisiana State University, a key cog in LSU's run to the Final Four in 2006.

As if that wasn't enough to be remotely optimistic about the 2007-08 season, Danny Ainge had one more trade up his sleeve, a trade that turned out to be one of the biggest in NBA history.

On July 31st, Ainge sent Ryan Gomes, Gerald Green, Al Jefferson, Theo Ratliff, Sebastian Telfair, and two first round draft picks (one of which was originally Minnesota's and was sent to Boston in the Ricky Davis trade) to the Minnesota Timberwolves in exchange for forward Kevin Garnett, a 10-time All-Star and former league MVP. It was the largest trade for a single player in NBA history.

In two trades, the Celtics went from bare-bones to, in the opinions of basketball pundits nationwide, serious contenders for the NBA championship, if not the favorites. The Celtics got so good so fast that they were close to playing players out of retirement, as there were reports the former Pacers and future Hall of Famer Reggie Miller was considering coming back to the league and playing for the Celtics. He ended up deciding against it, but it shows how respected and strong this team has suddenly become.

Ainge filled out the roster by adding role players like Eddie House, Scot Pollard, James Posey and Dahntay Jones, necessary players like Eddie House, Scot Pollard, James Posey and Dahntay Jones, necessary to refill the roster that was so badly depleted by the Garnett trade. However, Ainge has a plan for each player's role on the team.

The Celtics look strong so far, standing at 3-1 so far this preseason (as of Oct. 22nd). They defeated the Knicks at the TD Banknorth Garden 101-61 just last week, and have looked pretty convincing in their other wins as well.

Optimism isn't a problem for this team. Expectations actually performs. Will coach Doc Rivers be able to handle all of the star power that has fallen into his lap? Will one basketball be enough to satisfy the three superstars the Celtics now have in their line-up? Can youngsters Rajon Rondo and Gabe Pruitt run the point? How long will it be before there is a clash of egos, whether it be between the coach and his new stars or amongst the new stars themselves? Only time will tell, but the upcoming season looks very bright for the Celtics.

The two players they brought in aren't young, brush brushes looking to make waves. These are two established veteran players, who have come to the Celtics with one goal: win a championship, and as ridiculous as the following sentence may have sounded before this summer, they may have come to the right team.

Needless to say, it certainly has been a whirlwind summer for the Celtics. They have gone from a laughingstock to a feared opponent, from a punchover on the schedule to a must-see opponent. The Celtics had their schedule rearranged to accommodate ESPN and ABC's national Television schedule, as they are now a big opponent and a big draw to TV audiences. They are doing ESPN commercials, and have been on the front page of Boston papers more times in the past two months than all of last season combined. Both season and individual game tickets sold out in record fashion, making the Celtics one of the toughest tickets in town.

This could be a magical season for Boston basketball fans, but the games still have to be played. It is about time basketball returned to prominence in a city where it was once revered, and this just may be the perfect group of players to do it.

The Celtics open the regular season against the Washington Wizards at the Garden on Friday, November 2nd.
Eagles flying at uncharted heights

Tim Rosenthal
Journal Staff

Alright so I realize that the Red Sox are in the World Series, the Patriots are 7-0 and the Boston Celtics are looking good this pre-season. I know this is a pro sports town, but the team that is really being overlooked in Boston is the Boston College Eagles. Just like the Pats, the BC Eagles are also 7-0 under new head coach Jeff Jagodzinski. This is the best Eagles' team since the Doug Flutie era, and the first time that BC is undefeated after seven games since the 1941 season when the Eagles went 11-0.

When Flutie won the Heisman Trophy in 1984, there was no such thing as the Bowl Championship Series (BCS). The team went 10-2, including a win against Miami, when Flutie threw the "Hail Mary" to Gerard Phelan. It was truly magical.

Twenty-three years later, the Eagles are back on the National scene. But, they are not getting the respect around here.

With another Heisman candidate in Matt Ryan, the Eagles have one of the most lethal offenses in the country. They are averaging 34.6 points per game, which is number one in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Ryan's stats are unbelievable up to this point. "Matty Heisman" as The Heights call him (student newspaper at BC) is averaging 306.9 yards per game (tops in the ACC) and 19.4 points per game (number one). His average of 17 Touchdowns passes and only six interceptions.

The fact that Ryan is up for the Heisman is great, but it seems like Boston fans again are stuck to their seats with "other priorities." On most lists, Ryan is the number one candidate for the Heisman.

Now before I go on about how the current team is overlooked, let me tell you a little history lesson (before 2007, but also lost games they shouldn't have won. Take the NC State game last year when he was still coach. Up 15-10 with under 3:00 left, the Eagles puned the ball with :14 seconds left on the play clock. That's right the play clock, as in the 25 second play clock. What did NC State do, only made a big play with about 30 seconds left.

What about that Syracuse game in 2004? Yeah that's right, BC's last game ever in the Big East. The Eagles found a way to not prepare for that game (thanks to O'Brien) and lost 43-17. That win would have gotten BC their first BCS birth, but yet O'Brien found a way to blow it and thus going to one of his many mid-major bowl games (examples include the Humanitarian Bowl in Boise, Idaho, where BC made under one million dollars.

Now that O'Brien is gone, enter Jagodzinski (Jags). Coming from Green Bay, coach Jags came in with a new attitude and an aggressive style of offense. Rather than run the ball eight minutes, the Eagles have forty minutes of football.

That has benefited all of the Eagles offense including Ryan. Also of note, Jags gave the offensive line a new blocking scheme, which has seemed to benefit every one involved. True they might have had over 100 yards of penalties against Notre Dame (they won 27-14), but looking at the stats so far (up to Oct. 21st) that offensive line has only allowed six sacks.

So let's play the what if part. What if O'Brien was still the coach? Well I'll tell you right now, I wouldn't even be writing this article. It would probably be a 4-3, maybe even a 3-4 team right now.

When O'Brien came back to The Heights this year as coach of NC State, it was a nice homecoming (for BC). The Eagles defeated NC State 37-17. Fans did not respect him at all with sarcasm chants such as "Thank O'Brien." Even a user on Youtube posted a pre-season video to show his gratitude towards the now Wolfpack coach.

But now that this is behind us, the 7-0 Eagles now have a difficult schedule ahead of them. Tomorrow night the Eagles will go to Blacksburg, Virginia to face off against the Virginia Tech Hokies. While game two of the World Series will get all of the buzz between two top 10 teams.

The Eagles, now number two in the BCS have three of the next five games on the road (including Virginia Tech). But to their advantage, they do have the 13th game if they get there still undefeated (The ACC title game). If No. 1 and No. 2 remain the same (number one being Ohio State), than it will be even more when if BC plays LSU in the National Title (which is in New Orleans).

Are the Eagles the real Number two team in the nation? Some say yes, while others say there are more talented teams out there, but don't take this team for granted.

We're out of town for next week, we'll be back with GNAC Tournament results in the 11/7 Journal

Dice-K's october redemption

Ben Paulin
Journal Staff

A week after berating Daisuke Matsuzaka for his performance in the big leagues this season, I am formally retracting my statement that Dice-K is a bust and I'm back on the bandwagon (known as the Fung Wah by some).

Although most of what I said was true in regards to his sub-par season and the fact that David Wells pitched better than him in 2005, I was completely wrong in doubting the Red Sox 105 million dollar investment.

I never thought the Sox were out of it, but I did question whether Dice-K could handle the pressure of having to carry a team to the World Series. On Sunday he did just that.

He kept the Indians' bats relatively quiet while the Sox slowly peeled away at Cleveland starter Jake Westbrook, stretching a 3-2 lead before Dice-K's night was in the books.

He came away from game seven with his first career playoff victory only giving up two earned runs on six hits through five innings. This proved to be more than enough as the Sox went on to win 11-2 as they punched their ticket to the World Series.

Matsuzaka gave the Red Sox exactly what they needed and came in more clutch than an 18-wheeler.

Dice-K went 7-0 with one pitcher who contributed to the series clinching win. The rest of the bullpen came in right where Matsuzaka left off; tossing four scoreless innings, including Jonathan Papelbon's first career two-inning save.

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However, Matsuzaka has stellar numbers facing Major League teams for the first time. He has a 9-6 record with a 3.02 ERA in 16 starts against new teams he faced.

So in my book Dice-K is A-OK and hopefully he’ll be able to take home a shiny new World Championship ring back to Japan.