Black History Month Celebration Kicks Off at Suffolk

Special Elections Still Under Deliberation

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Asst. Managing Editor

For the third time in only four years, Massachusetts voters will go to the ballot box this summer to choose a new U.S. Senator. The special senate election on June 25, after primary elections on April 30, will decide who will fill the seat left vacant by last week’s confirmation of Secretary of State John Kerry.

Former U.S. Senator Scott Brown, the republican who was elected in the 2010 special election to fill Senator Ted Kennedy’s seat and recently lost his 2012 reelection bid to Senator Elizabeth Warren, has declared he will not be a candidate in this race.

“I was not at all certain that a third Senate campaign in less than four years, and the prospect of returning to a Congress even more partisan than the one I left, was really the best way for me to continue in public service at this time,” Brown said in a statement on his website.

A host of other candidates with big name recognition have also declared their desires not to run, including Massachusetts Attorney General Martha Coakley, former republican governor Charlie Baker, Mitt Romney’s eldest son Taggart Romney, and former democratic U.S. Representative Barney Frank.

Only two democrats have officially declared their candidacies: U.S. Representative Stephen Lynch and U.S. Representative Ed Markey. Lynch has been endorsed by a few labor unions, while Markey has been endorsed by many politicians including Sec. Kerry, former Rep. Frank, Coakley, and two dozen State Congressmen.

Marissa DeFranco, an immigration lawyer who ran in the democratic primary against Sen. Warren in 2010, announced on her official Facebook page today that she is looking for volunteers to gather signatures as she is “considering a run.”

On the republican side of the ticket, only former Nantucket selectman Doug Bennett has officially declared a bid for the seat. According to Cape Cod Today, Bennett, a vocal Ron Paul supporter, has lost twice in elections for Boston City Council but will run on his libertarian policies as a republican this cycle.

Republican State Representative Dan Winslow announced today to the Boston Herald that he is forming an exploratory committee to “test the waters for U.S. Senate.” In an interview with the Herald, Winslow said, “I have been disgusted by the partisan gridlock in Washington, D.C., and we have a record of proven bipartisan work here in Massachusetts.” The State Rep. added that he is confident that he can get the 10,000 signatures required by April 3 to get on the ballot but is weighing if he can “mount a credible winning campaign.”

Independent Jack E. Robinson, who announced his candidacy yesterday, has run for war, he refused to fight overseas and went to prison instead, where he tried to de-segregate the prison he was in. Rustin was such a handful, the warden of the prison repeatedly tried to transfer him, claiming he was a "troublemaker" but was ultimately unable to do so.

“You think we would’ve heard about this but again these stories go untold,” McNickels said.

In addition to these acts of protest, Rustin challenged the Jim Crow laws with fellow black and white activists by taking part in Freedom Rides in 1947, 14 years before the more celebrated Freedom Rides would take place. Rustin was again targeted for his protest along with his fellow activists, where the black protestors would be sentenced to 30 days in jail. The white protestors received 90 days in jail for their actions.

When asking the crowd why they thought this distinction on jail sentences was made, McNickels joked, “Today
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Thursday, January 31
10:18 p.m.
150 Tremont

Friday, February, 1
1:15 a.m.
Somerset Street
Drunkenness. Report filed.

Saturday, February, 2
10:10 a.m.
Off Campus
Other agency assist- larceny. Case closed.

Saturday, February, 2
10:32 p.m.
150 Tremont
Vandalism. Case closed.

Sunday, February, 3
12:49 a.m.
10 West
Drunkenness. Judicial internal.

Sunday, February, 3
2:45 p.m.
Fenton
Larceny. Investigation.

Monday, February, 4
7:36 p.m.
10 West
Liquor law violation. Judicial internal.

Puppy Bowl Entertains America Pre-Super Bowl

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The Puppy Bowl, an Animal Planet tradition since 2005, was brought back for its ninth iteration this past Sunday, airing just before the 2013 Super Bowl.

The two-hour long program included 63 puppies, playing and interacting in a mock football stadium while a human referee kept watch and would occasionally call "penalties" on the puppies, such as "unnecessary ruffness," and "excessive cuteness." The format of the show is very open, and allows for tune-in-tune-out viewing, which may contribute to the show's rising popularity.

While the formula is mostly the same, there are a few minor changes. Brought back for this airing were fan-favorites such as the kitty halftime show, the fake blimp that is operated by hamsters, and Meep the cockatiel, who live tweets during the show. But a few additions include the "Cute Cam," which was a high speed camera that could show the viewer certain moments in slow motion, and commentary from some of Animal Planet's snow hosts. One substitution that was made was changing the piglet cheerleaders into hedgehog cheerleaders.

The show has gained massive adoration since its initial viewing, with people tuning-in numbering in the millions. All of the puppies are adoptable, and help raise awareness to adopting pets. Every year a puppy is named MVP, or Most Valuable Puppy. This year's MVP was a schnauzer-beagle mix named Marta. The pup had her size tested by other much larger dogs, but stood her ground no matter what. She was fierce, relentless, and most importantly, adorable.

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Maimed Cranium

BY JON LANGBERG

SIR, IF YOUR PRIMARY CONCERN IS FITTING IN WITH THE HUMANS, I WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY GO WITH THE ARRANIS.
Seriously Bent Brings Laughs to 150 Basement

Miles Halpine
Journal Staff

For a handful of students at Suffolk University, making people laugh just comes naturally. Every Thursday night, for an hour beginning at 10 p.m., a few dozen

welcomed members of Suffolk’s Program Council, as well as a student from Emerson College who visited to promote the upcoming film Identity Thief starring Jason Bateman and Melissa McCarthy. A key aspect to continue having big crowds at Seriously Bent is interaction and participation, with suggestions for ideas, in each of the skits. Bridge McGuinness, a freshman majoring in acting, said she goes “every Thursday because it makes the end of my week better,” and that “they’re so funny and make my day!”

Asked what she considered her favorite Seriously Bent skits, McGuinness replied “[their] two best skits is when they do ‘my sex is like’ and the piano one when they have to change what they’ve said.” However, she also added that their new skit, when they bring people up on stage, has its low points. For those who have not yet gone to a Seriously Bent show, McGuinness unhesitatingly said she “would totally recommend it,” as “it’s a nice way to end your week. And they are all really nice and talented people!”

They practice twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays for around three hours, and then they have a brief meeting after each show where each show and give feedback — both positive and negative — on how they performed that evening. Seriously Bent has begun to pick up a bit of name recognition and trophies over the last few years. In regard to competitions, they have won many contests and awards locally and nationally. Among the competitions they won are the New England Regional Improv Championships and the Boston Comedy Festival’s College Improv Championships. They also participate in many shows off-campus. Last February, Seriously Bent took part in an entirely Suffolk joke-themed show at Improv Asylum.

The group definitely has a strong connection and they say one of the best parts of doing improv is that it can be “a great break” from the daily stresses of day-to-day life in college. They also added that the worst part about Seriously Bent is “not getting to do it every day.”

As always, their shows will continue every Thursday night in the basement of 150 Tremont beginning at 10 p.m. One of the best parts of Seriously Bent is that someone attending never knows what to expect in the sense that it is all made up on the spot — all the jokes and plots of the stories they act out and portray. No matter what type of day you have with classes, it is basically guaranteed that you will leave any Seriously Bent show with a big smile on your face and hoping that the week goes by quickly for the next show.

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unsuccessfully as a republican for several offices in the past decade, including U.S. Senator, Secretary of Commonwealth, and U.S. Representative.

Robinson told the Boston Globe he is running because “extremism from both parties is preventing the 21st century from being the new American century. As an independent, I can bridge the gap in Washington and be a voice of the people and not of a party.”

Libertarian Daniel Fishman, who first ran for elected office in a failed bid for U.S. House seat in 2012, also announced his candidacy. On his campaign website, Fishman said, “I believe in a system where I can be for you, and that doesn’t have to mean we’re against each other. And when the time comes for us to work together, we can do so willingly.”

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John Kerry Completes 'Thank You' Tour of Mass.

On Thursday morning, Kerry began his farewell tour at the YouthBuild USA office in Springfield, Mass.

Roger Williams University

Online Exclusive

Across
1. Your fingernails grow faster in this season
4. Elvis Presley had a twin by this name
11. The lining of your stomach turns red when your face does this
18. A moth doesn’t have this body part
23. If you keep this fish in the dark, it will eventually turn white
24. In this city-state, it is illegal to own or sell chewing gum
30. Every US President with a beard has been a member of this party
32. The opposite of sour
33. This fruit explodes when put in the microwave
34. The state with the longest coastline in the Continental US
36. It is illegal to hunt camels in this US state

Down
1. This creature breathes through its feet
2. A company in this country makes dinnerware out of wheat
5. A queen bee will only use this against another queen bee
6. This word is spelled the same in English, German, French, Swedish, Spanish, and Portuguese
7. A company in this country makes dinnerware out of wheat
8. The US Government will not allow portraits of living persons to appear on these
9. This word is spelled the same in English, German, French, Swedish, Spanish, and Portuguese
10. This type of whale is born white
12. The most popular sport as a topic for a film
13. This fruit explodes when put in the microwave
15. Beaver teeth are this color
16. Baskin Robbins once made this flavor ice cream
17. The most popular sport as a topic for a film
19. Dueling is legal in this country
20. She appeared on the back of the $20 bill in 1875
21. There are no rental cars in this country
22. In this city-state, it is illegal to own or sell chewing gum
25. This plant's root can be roasted and ground as a coffee substitute
26. This plant's root can be roasted and ground as a coffee substitute
27. On average, it takes 660 days from conception to birth for this animal
28. The only place in the US that has a royal palace
31. In 1980, this city presented Saddam Hussein with a key to the city
32. The opposite of sour
33. This fruit explodes when put in the microwave
34. The state with the longest coastline in the Continental US
35. In its ancient form, this vegetable was purple, not orange
Controversial Case in India Sparks Protest and Change

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**Trigger Warning**

Truly, it's impossible to understand the atrocities that are committed daily in a single article but on Dec. 16, 2012, a 23-year-old woman on a bus in New Delhi was brutally assaulted while returning from the movies with a friend. The friends believed they were taking a regular bus home, but it turned out that the bus that they had entered was stolen and all six men on board (including the driver) proceeded to beat and dehumanize the victims. "Abandoned on the side of the road and left for dead, the woman and her friend were later found on the side of the road by a passerby," specifically horrific was that the unnamed woman was discovered to only have five percent of her intestines in her body. After being flown to Singapore to be treated for her injuries, she passed away. A closed-door condolence ceremony called on the public to remain calm. "We don't want your fake sentiments! We demand immediate action to strengthen the laws against sexual violence," read a banner at the protest, while some men wore skirts in support. A few weeks ago in Nepal, the case of a 21-year-old woman who says she was raped and threatened with<br>

rape of a teenager by four men over four days in early December in Tangail, 40 miles northwest of Dhaka. The men were said to have made videos of the attack before leaving their victim near a rail track where her brother eventually found her. These are just two of the countless cases that<br>

have lead to the movement. For weeks, teachers and students camped out at protest venues, marching and submitting memorandums to government authorities to make the city a safer place for its women. Curls for<br>

students living in campus dormitories has been brought forward an hour to 9:30 p.m., and girls are now required to seek permission from the college administration before going out with friends and provide details of the friends they are going with. One student said during the discussion, "Why should we pay for the crimes men commit? Lock the men up. We are not the culprits!"<br>

Indian media recently reported that the government of the northern state of Uttarakhand passed an order stopping women from working after 6 p.m. in both private and government jobs. The regressive edict, conceived by the state government as a way to curb crimes against women, was widely opposed by women's rights activists and the political opposition. While numerous protesters have been beaten, gassed and shot at, one protester asked an officer "Why don't you come and join us?" "Aren't you angry at what happened?" Truly, that is the real question.
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You may be surprised to learn that Texas has a particularly strong support for secession from the United States. But probably, this does not surprise you at all. Either way, the general consensus, both within Texas and abroad, seems to be that secession would not help Texas as much as staying in the American federal system and paying the minimal amount of taxes required of them. There is a similar movement in England championed largely by ultra-conservatives and ultra-nationalists who insist that prosperity in the UK is most easily found by completely cutting ties with the European Union. While the comparison between the EU and the United States is a difficult one to substantiate at best, the similarities between language and rhetoric used by proponents of secession in both states are rather interesting. Also, unfortunately for the EU, reasons against the UK seceding are less straightforward than those of Texas.

The last time that British secessionists got their act together enough to get a vote on the question of secession through to the public was 1975, when the European Union was still the European Coal and Steel Community. While the referendum failed, the vote was certainly closer than it might have been, with 32.8 percent voting to leave. Furthermore, Britain's economy was more stable in 1975 than its current situation, in spite of the aftermath of the 1973 oil crisis. Nowadays (having adjusted for inflation and whatnot) the average Brit makes 73 cents (or half a pound) less than they did in 1973, according to the UK National Statistics Hub. This salary dip alone is enough to have fueled plenty of anti-European Union posters and advertisements throughout the country, and if you find yourself in the mood for a sophisticated laugh, I welcome you to have a quick browse through of the many such anti-EU commercials on YouTube. But does the average Brit actually suffer for having his/her nation be a part of the EU? It's hard to tell, especially considering that they're still (and probably forever will be) on the pound. They do not pay any more taxes than they would anyway, unless the government they elected took them out of the EU also cut taxes, which would leave a massive deficit problem exacerbated. While some government officials do go to the infamous bailouts to Greece and Spain, the UK would likely be spending that money in Indonesia, then closing the immigration lines and breaking off of the European Union probably is not for you.

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In a time of crises and decline in European Union morale, the United Kingdom is smart to hold a referendum vote on its EU membership status. British Prime Minister David Cameron gave a speech last month promising an "in or out" vote to be decided by U.K. citizens sometime in 2015 if he is reelected. Many leaders of other European nations, and the U.S., were displeased by the prospect of the U.K. exiting the mammoth economic and political body. German Chancellor Angela Merkel and a spokeswoman for France's President Francois Hollande both expressed their preferences for the U.K. to stay in the union to keep it strong, according to the BBC. They have denounced a plan to exit as a "cherry-picking" or "a la carte" approach. The German foreign minister and the Austrian foreign minister echoed this sentiment, describing a potential exit by the U.K. as "cherry-picking." Both politicians declared that no nation should be able to pick and choose on their own extent of integration, and that the aspects of policy should be decided by Brussels rather than domestically. But this approach of "cherry-picking" or "a la carte" is exactly what countries in the EU should avoid going forward, even in the U.K. The island nation holds an interesting membership status in the union to begin with—while it is a part of the general body, it is not a part of the Euro currency zone or the Schengen Area, where passport checks are not necessary between countries. The U.K is already quite separate from most of the EU and should not be dominated by all the body's centralized policies. The British Pound, although falling in value, is still stronger than the Euro and the U.S. Dollar, and the U.K. remains one of the strongest economies in Europe. While many people, notably the British Foreign Secretary William Hague, have argued that leaving the EU would do economic damage to the U.K., the move seems to be more about politics than economics anyway.

The biggest danger to the European Union comes not from those who advocate change, but from those who denounce new thinking as heresy," Cameron said in his speech. The elephant in the room within the EU now is the fact that policies and strategies are simply not working well enough or fast enough to fix issues within the member nations. A kind of slipping slope is feared if one nation is allowed to exit the EU but maybe that's what the body needs to survive. As countries continue down the paths of high unemployment, strict austerity, and major debt issues, it is time for individual nations to stop depending on the EU and start making smarter policy decisions for themselves. While this is not possible on truly plausible for many members, the U.K. is certainly in a strong position to pack its bags and carry on friendly relations with the body as a non-member.
OPINION ON ABROAD: A SEMESTER IN SPAIN

Molly Chandler
Journal Contributor

It’s true that the scene would be more flattering as a silhouette, but it has a peculiar beauty. From where I sit on a park bench, I can see a handful of people, their junk, and their treasure splashed with the pink light of sunrise. An old woman has wrapped herself in black coats and blankets in an effort to keep the cold a good distance from her skin, but she affords her bear fingers the effort of setting out whatever goods she has to sell. A man in a green coat and earmuffs themselves in neat lines and lowered their voices as the shoppers arrive and begin to run their hands over books, bottles, coats, and records. El Rastro, the market, sprawls itself out a few streets over from La Latina station in Madrid every Sunday. Our host Selena’s brother, she told us, goes every week before dawn in search of first edition books to add to his collection. Over dinner, she usually tells us quite a bit, makes suggestions of places to travel or things to read, and sometimes gets up from the table to illustrate a story she was trying to tell about the African dance class.

I do not yet know Spain in all its beauty and complexity, but in the three weeks we’ve been here, the people and places have been calling to us, inviting us to experience the country. I mean me. Since I’ve been here, I’ve found myself at the top of the Jiralda tower in Seville, sinking into the mud hiking up to the Sacromonte caves, and trying escargot at a tapas bar with some people from the hostel where I stayed a weekend in Granada.

The curious traveler, however, will inevitably find his or herself going through the motions of cultural immersion even before they realize it’s happening. By the curious traveler I guess I mean me. Since I’ve been here, I’ve found myself at the top of the Jiralda tower in Seville, sinking into the mud hiking up to the Sacromonte caves, and trying escargot at a tapas bar with some people from the hostel where I stayed a weekend in Granada. I do not yet know Spain in all its beauty and complexity, but in the three weeks we’ve been here, the people and...
This week's upcoming shows & events for you:

- 2/6 Of Mice & Men ft. Woe is Me, Texas in July, Volumes, Capture the Crown @ the Paradise, 6 p.m. Doors, $18
- 2/6 PRIMORDIAL. SOUNDS presents THE MIGS with NICE GUYS and THE VESANS @ the Middlesex Lounge, 10 p.m. Doors, 21+, $3
- 2/8 George Clinton & the Parliament Funkadelic @ House of Blues Boston, 7 p.m. Doors, $29.50
- 2/8 The New Highway Hymnal, Dutchcub (MI), Black Horse (ME), Black Lodge (PA)'s Lounge, 8 p.m. Doors, 21+, $8
- 2/9 Bruce in the U.S.A. - a Bruce Springsteen Tribute Show @ the Paradise, 7 p.m. Doors, 18+, $18
- 2/9 Rock On Concert Presents: 4th Annual Bob Marley Birthday Bash ft. Ies Mawana & the VanBurens @ the Middle East Downstairs, 8 p.m. Doors, $15
- 2/10 Leedentz Entertainment Presents: G-Eazy "Must Be Nice Tour" ft. Skizzy Mars @ the Middle East Downstairs, 7 p.m. Doors, $15
- 2/11 Dead Kennedys, Welch Boys, the Cryptics & the Burning Streets @ the Middle East Downstairs, 8 p.m. Doors, 18+, $25
- 2/12 Leedentz Entertainment & Karmaloop Present: S&A Dime, Aziz, Nasib, Jovi & DJ P90, Hosted by DJ Goulet @ the Middle East Upstairs, 18+, $15
- 2/12 AESOP Rock w/ Rob Sonic & DJ Big Wiz @ the Paradise, 7 p.m. Doors, $40
Soderbergh’s Side Effects proves to be not your average thriller

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Journal Staff

Opening this Friday, Side Effects is a film with hyper-stylized directorial decisions, phenomenal performances and a script that refuses to succumb to the typical and manages to surprise an audience even when there doesn’t appear to be any surprises left. Emily (Rooney Mara) and Martin (Channing Tatum) are a well-to-do married couple in New York whose world crumbles beneath their feet when a new-to-the-scene drug turns out to harbor more side and unpredictable, and dangerous effects than intended.

Much has been made of this project by the last film director Steven Soderbergh; would direct and his mastery weaves its way throughout the film with elegance. His hyper-stylized style of diluted and periodic shots continue here as well as close action shots that appear miniscule at one moment and then meaningful in the next. He’s an expert at keeping the audience from breathing for large portions of time, keeping them on their toes, wanting to blink but keeping their eyes wide open in anticipation. He’s proven in the past year with films like Haywire and Magic Mike that he’s truly been able to defy the label of a “genre movie,” always pushing the limits of what the structured guidelines are of a thriller.

This cast was stacked with other actors like Jude Law and Catherine Zeta-Jones. Law and Mara in particular are outstanding, both of whom perfectly convey the1

Channing Tatum is solid, though not as charming as his characters in 21 Jump Street, he stills proves to be a reliable acting partner. The only weak link of the four is Catherine Zeta-Jones who seemed to ham it up a bit, making it obvious to the audience that she was turning out to harbor more side and unpredictable, and dangerous effects than intended.

This film has its flaws, mainly in the third act, but for the most part it’s a highly enjoyable, if not also a highly stressful ride, that was a welcome for the dead season of movies. January through March is typically a bust for good theatre movies so it’s nice to see a surprise hit, especially since it appears that the next one won’t be for another couple of months.

This film encapsulates the workings of the psyche, who has control and who doesn’t, and it does its best at making the protagonist indiscernible. Not perfect, but very good and one of the more thrilling films you’ll see in a while. Side Effects is a film I recommend all Soderbergh fans, and fans of movies alike. This star studded film is sure to provide fans with a unique thriller theatre experience.

I recommend Side Effects because it’s a film that encourages innovative solutions for climate change explored by a Dutch artist. Music Man, directed by Steve James, is about the creator of the “Smule” app that turns the iPhone into a musical instrument.

The time limit for the documentaries was intentional to reach out to audiences who wouldn’t normally watch full-length documentaries. Focus Forward and Cinelan are working together to provide these inspiring films to a wider audience and also for possible inclusion in school curricula. There are 30 of the three-minute films available on the Focus Forward website.

The Smith Center for the Performing Arts in Las Vegas has built up its calendar for the upcoming year by adding ten Broadway musicals to its lineup, reported the Huffington Post.

The Broadway series at the Smith Center, the $470 million structure that opened last March, will feature Les Misérables, The Wizard of Oz, War Horse, Sister Act, Mamma Mia, Flashdance, The Gershwin’s Porgy and Bess, Once, and will wrap up with a four-week run of The Book of Mormon. Most musicals will play at the venue for one weekend, and are set at a pace of roughly one per week.

“We are over-the-moon excited about the lineup,” said Smith Center President Myron Martin. “There really was a pent-up demand for high quality arts and entertainment in Las Vegas.”

Bringing Tony Award-winning musicals to a city strongly geared towards the performing arts will provide a wider range of entertainment for tourists and residents alike.

Martin said that audiences will have a chance to be both entertained and inspired at the Smith Center at reasonable prices, and they won’t have to go to casinos or “groupe shows.” Tickets to the critically acclaimed Broadway shows will start at $42.

The Smith Center’s goal is to serve an audience wider than tourists. Besides the upcoming Broadway performances, the complex features the city’s philharmonic orchestra and provides a home for the ballet company. The Center’s pilot sellout season has set an optimistic tone for the upcoming Broadway series.

Socially Conscious Films hit Sundance 2013

This year’s theme of the “Focus Forward Filmmaker Competition” at the 2013 Sundance Film Festival was “Short Films, Big Ideas,” and the winner took home $100,000 for a short film called Cyborg Foundation, reported the Huffington Post.

Rafael Duren Torrent, the Spanish director of the three-minute film, told the story of Neil Harbisson, the world’s first “officially recognized cyborg.” Harbisson was born with achromatopsia, a disease which causes complete color blindness. He helped to create a mechanism that translates colors into sounds called the “eyeborg.”

The goal of the “Short Films, Big Ideas” initiative is to deliver films about progressive innovation in front of audiences. Other films, aside from Cyborg Foundation, were focused on individuals who use media, art, and design to impact and benefit humanity.

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Kubrick Classics Debut at the Museum of Fine Arts

Director Stanley Kubrick became a legend in the film industry through his acclaimed works that never failed to shock and captivate audiences. There is no doubt that his five-decade-long career produced a noteworthy catalog and gained him a cult following made up of people varying in age and background. If you are one of these people and weren't born in time to witness any of his masterpieces on the big screen - The Museum of Fine Arts has you covered!

35mm. Films included in the Kubrick Classics series will also be premiering in chronological order with ticket prices ranging from $7.11. Specific dates and prices can be found on the MFA website.

"From Kirk Douglas's 'Spartacus! to Jack Nicholson's 'Here's Johnny!, Stanley Kubrick's films are fixtures in our pop-culture lexicon," declared the MFA in a promotional statement on its Facebook page. Although the iconic ones-liners and scenes are what initially draw our attention to these films, what collectively makes them a staple of American pop culture surpasses such things. Kubrick's socially conscious films provide audiences with insight into some of the thoughts and apprehensions of American society during the periods they were filmed. The series will present films from 1953's Fear and Desire to 1999's Eyes Wide Shut. With the exception of Lolita, 2001: A Space Odyssey, and A Clockwork Orange, all films will be shown in their original 35mm.

Throughout this month, the MFA is treating movie buffs and Kubrick fanatics alike with an authentic cinema experience by screening a retrospective collection of Kubrick's work that never failed to become a legend in the film industry. If you are one of these people and weren't born of people varying in age and background, this is an ideal opportunity to introduce yourself to Kubrick, revisit your favorite movie on the big screen, or reflect on films you missed. The entire collection of Kubrick's work is the future of Fall Out Boy. According to Alexandra Martines, "Films of Stanley Kubrick" series will also be premiering in chronological order with ticket prices ranging from $7.11. Specific dates and prices can be found on the MFA website.

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"Winter Soundtrack of 2006" falls more perfectly with each listening. - Gunnar Cicchini
The Violence Against Women Act of 1994 expired at the beginning of last month, and the 112th Congress ended their tenure. Both sides of the aisle could reach an agreement on a bill which should have never been an act of utmost importance. What’s even more infuriating is that both sides of the aisle are.send the bill to the House with a high proportion of them are still those four. We’re fighting blindly against our past. According to a沙滩 sheet provided by RhinoHouse.com, the bill secured our nation’s Rape Shield Law, prohibiting the publicization of a victim’s identity and prosecuting the attacker. VAWA accustomed by the victims, no matter their income, are not forced to bear the expense of their own rape exams or for service of a protection order. In addition, VAWA funds train over 200,000 law enforcement officers, prosecutors, judges, and other personnel every year. The effect of the passing of the act in 1994 has caused rates of “intimate partner violence” to fall 67 percent by 2010, while also causing state and local authorities to recognize spousal abuse and abuse by a stranger as the same issue.

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2013 to be a bridge year for Mass. GOP

Julianne Holland
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I am disappointed to announce that Scott Brown will not be campaigning to replace former Senator John Kerry in the upcoming special election. However, I am excited to see who he will replace in 2014. Although losing a Democratic seat in the Senate would be a clear win for Republicans, it is best—strategically—for Scott Brown to not run in this race. As one can only imagine, campaigning is exhausting both mentally and financially. Just look at all the debt our very own Senator Elizabeth Warren got herself into. After his last campaign, Scott Brown should take his time to build an even stronger campaign for the next go-around. If Scott Brown were to be elected, he would only be running to be Senator for the remainder of the former Senator Kerry’s term—meaning that his time in the Senate would only be a few months.

In my opinion, as tempting as the chair is, Scott Brown doesn’t want the last sliver of John Kerry’s term. He wants the full term because he recognizes that there is a lot that needs to be accomplished. Brown knows, just as well as the Republican Party, he is more than capable of being the chair for those accomplishments. Brown made a statement regarding his stance in the special election: "I was not at all certain that I would like to run for a position, make sure you pick an election packet in the Student Government Association office in D433 or at the HUB in the Donahue lobby starting February 7th. It's a great opportunity to be involved and represent your peers and develop into a student leader.

We would also like to announce the Annual SGA Leadership Awards nominations opened Monday, February 4th. By going on http://suff.jufy.12370, you can nominate deserving peers, faculty, staff and organizations. We encourage everyone to nominate someone, your voice matters.

Our weekly meetings will proceed as usual, they are held every Thursday at 11:00pm in Donahue 311. As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at sgajournal.suffolk.edu

Have a great week, Students of the Student Government Association
Bipartisan efforts pave the way to legal immigration

Chris Musk
Journal Staff

President Obama has been very adamant about a major goal for his second term: targeting the immigration policies of this country. He has chosen a bipartisan approach for this task and has made a surprising team of Senators to help tackle this problem. These Senators: four Republicans and four Democrats. The Republican Senators include Marco Rubio and John McCain. President Obama most recently spoke on stage at Del Sol High School in Las Vegas on Jan. 29 in regards to immigration reform. Here, Obama explained to the crowd that he expects a very constructive solution to this problem to come forward with much bipartisan agreement. Thankfully, our legislative branch of government has been able to come to an agreement and actually solve problems. Some of the agreements already made are promising that in our country may actually benefit from these immigration reforms.

The team of Senators has made it evident they want to help the estimated 11 million undocumented immigrants in the country and try to help them get visas for working in the country and try to help them get visas for working in the country for at least five years or that they serve in the U.S. military. Some of the issues being targeted seem to agree on. Many of the issues parties have brought forward. Overall, many of the issues being targeted seem to have exceptional and logical approaches taken towards their completion. Solving this country’s massive illegal immigration problem is not an easy task. Thankfully, bipartisan agreement seems dedicated to speeding up the entire process of requesting and obtaining a green card. This nation was built by immigrants, and with that history being reminded to us daily, it is very important for us to remember that it surrounds us. Nobody should ever throw away our culture, nor be forced into a melting pot. Though the American people nowadays may desire different things than just the good old “American Dream,” we all immigrants want peace and a good economy. That is something anybody, no matter their political views, will agree on.

Many parts of the country are divided on this issue, with some people — more so in the south — not wanting an influx of immigrants. They typically view this issue very pessimistically. I do not believe anybody in this country should view immigrants negatively. Our nation’s blood, sweat, and tears have all been made by them. Many of our farms and railroads were built by immigrants throughout American history; these two in particular vastly contributed to our growing economy and way of life. Immigrants throughout history in our country are what have allowed America to become as strong and great as she is. We do not live in a society where we believe one race is the most superior or restrict freedoms on literature and speech like Hitler’s Nazi Germany. America embraces differences in culture and ways of life, as this makes us stronger by adapting more successfully with change.

The above reforms, shall they come into law, would greatly help our country and the illegal immigrants that work hard. As long as the government is coming to our country abide by the law, positively contribute to our society, and pay taxes, then there is no reason to view them negatively. I expect a good outcome from this team of senators that Obama has put together and hopefully these reforms will inspire immigrants to try harder in school and further contribute to our society. Democrat Senator Chuck Schumer, a member of the bipartisan Senate group, stated that the Senators hope for a bill in March or April, and then a vote by late spring or early summer.

Super Bowl XLVII commercials fall short of expectations

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As most of America cheered on their respective teams last Sunday at the Super Bowl, the rest of us tuned in to see the highly anticipated release of new and old products being shown in this year’s advertisements. Whether you were at home enjoying the game or at a friend’s for a night of classic American consumer traditions, this year’s commercials did not add up to those of the past. In previous years we saw the introduction of the Old Spice man as “The man your man could smell like” and the timeless Betty White Snickers commercial. We have seen talking babies promoting children’s products, and screaming forest animals trying to escape being run over by a car. All of these combined have created a whole new reason to watch the Super Bowl; to see which company’s product advertisement will come out on top as the funniest or most influential commercial that year.

This year was a different story. Some companies have gone from funny to desperate. One example of this is the website GoDaddy.com. This is a site dedicated to helping other companies or persons create and manage their own websites. GoDaddy has a reputation of having some what sexual advertisements but this year’s Superbowl one went above and beyond. To promote its “sexy and smart” side, the company produced a commercial where two strangers make out for 15 slow motion, awkward seconds. The camera is so close you can see the pores on Jesse Heiman’s face and the sounds moment his life is saved. If this commercial sounds complex and random, that’s because it was. It made a sad attempt at trying to be funny when ultimately, compared to the following advertisements it, looked out of its league. Of course we had some great Doritos laughs (whose commercials who never fail to entertain,) a Taco Bell commercial featuring a group of senior citizens joking like they were in their 20’s, an Oreos whispering disagreement in a library, and an emotional Budweiser classic Clydesdale commercial—all of which were worth the Super Bowl hype. The sad thing is, these were practically the only memorable good advertisements during the entire four-hour game. My point is this: if you are going to pay $3.8 million for 30 seconds of ad space during the famous game, make it a good one.
Boy Scouts of America: Change your policies or face dwindling support

Joshua Caldwell
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I was an active member in the Scouting Community for almost fifteen years. I am an Eagle Scout, yet this proclamation no longer fills me with the pride it used to. Truth be told, it leaves a very different taste in my mouth.

As I am sure some of you may be aware, the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) is reconsidering their policy of banning homosexuals. Well, let me just say this: It's about damn time.

This reduction of their ban is being proposed during their biannual meeting in February. The general idea is that the BSA will no longer ban homosexuals membership nationally, but leave it up to local troops and their governing entities (similar to their initial allowance of African-Americans based on local laws, allowing the establishment of segregated military units.) Although I applaud their step in the right direction, nothing has been passed and even if this does, it could very well be a meaningless gesture, being that many governing entities are tied to religious institutions.

Let me straight up dispel the argument of free enterprise, and the fact that the BSA is a private organization which some propose gives them the right to keep whatever values they hold relevant - in this case, discrimination. This argument at its core is in fact a fallacy, for any organization should operate for the good of the public and the good of its members: this ban is a direct hindrance to that.

To be fair, let us take a look at some other "private" clubs that fall into the same realm: KKK, Neo-Nazis, etc. If this is the type of company the BSA wants to keep, then all the power to them. Now, I will concede that this may be an extreme comparison and when the BSA bans an entire sect of humans, they ostracize them in the public eye.

This is not a new issue for the BSA, as over the last couple of years kids have been refused the rank of Eagle Scout after coming out, lifelong members and leaders have been expelled, and kids have been denied admission into this program that is supposed to help them. This, among other events, has prompted hundreds of Eagles

David Frederick
Journal Staff

Many students and faculty alike might have noticed a new hindrance in their everyday commute, and that is the random inspection of your personal property. Former Governor Mitt Romney reestablished the act of conducting random security inspections at stations throughout Boston. According to BostonInno, Occupy Boston staged a "protest and march for all major Boston and Cambridge T stations, to demand an end to random, un-warranted bag checks in subways" which

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Sports Briefs

Braun on PED list

A clinic in Miami is allegedly linked to supplying baseball players with PEDs, and one name on the list of players tied to the clinic is none other than Milwaukee star Ryan Braun. Braun was the only player in major league baseball history to win an appeal against a failed test that showed he had high testosterone (same year he won the National League MVP), but plenty of fans and reporters did not agree with him getting off the hook. Braun responded quickly by saying his name was on the list because he was seeing someone as a consultant. The details are still coming out, but this definitely puts Braun's name back in a bad mix.

Rivers says Trade Rumors are “Silly”

The rumors have been circulating over the weekend that with all the Boston Celtics injuries, they might be looking to make a couple of trades to clean house and start fresh. This weekend, a rumor started that the Los Angeles Clippers were interested in Kevin Garnett. The deal was rumored to involve sending Eric Bledsoe and Caron Butler to the Celtics for Garnett. Coach Doc Rivers shut down the rumors claiming that they are driven by the media and nothing more. He referred to it all being “silly.” The Celtics are currently on a four-game win streak, and look to keep pushing forward.

Saints to Hire Rob Ryan

One of the most shocking unemployed coaches this off-season is former Dallas Cowboys' defensive coordinator Rob Ryan, but it appears he will be packing his bags and head to New Orleans. The New Orleans Saints finished 8-8 this past season, and Ryan will hope to bring the defense back to what it was with Gregg Williams in charge. The St. Louis Rams actually brought Ryan in, but head coach Jeff Fisher claimed he did not fit the scheme well for the Rams.

Lindsey Vonn Tears Knee in Alpine World Championships

During her super-G run in the 42nd Alpine World Championships in Schladming, Austria, 2010 Olympic Gold Medalist Lindsey Vonn tore two knee ligaments after crashing on Tuesday. Vonn was airlifted to a helicopter and taken to a local hospital after the crash. The New York Times reported that Vonn will need reconstructive surgery to repair the ligaments. ESPN reported that during the television feed of Vonn's run, she was heard screaming, saying “yes, yes” when someone asked her if she was hurt. The United States skiing team did release a statement after news of Vonn's injury broke, saying it expects her to be ready for the World Cup season and 2018 PyeongChang Olympics.

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Rams Continue Hot Streak, Edge Albertus Magnus 92-91 in Excellent Showing

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During a season there will be many different types of games. Some of them will be memorable, some less so. While some of them you would rather forget. You remember the wins, the losses, the ups and downs. but there is always one game which you remember the most, a team-effort win that defines a season and is remembered forever. This win is both special and unique not only because you win against the odds, but also because you do it as a team through an entertaining and tactically intelligent way. When all these elements combine in a game, you can only expect a dynamic, intense and brilliant game, as if it was taken out of a dream and transformed into real life. The Suffolk University Men’s basketball team’s 92-91 victory against No. 18 ranked in the country Albertus Magnus was a true spectacle of a game in which The Rams’ dream was transformed into the Rams’ reality.

The way the team played that night was a pure joy to watch. They really showed an exemplary performance that all teams, not only in the GNAC, could learn something from. The Rams proved that when they play “their own” game they can beat any team in the GNAC Conference. After a game like this there is no doubt that the Suffolk’s men’s basketball team is going for GNAC championship this year.

The Rams have played many great games in the years being in the GNAC conference, but this one definitely stands as one of the absolute best wins, if not the best, since Suffolk’s outstanding GNAC championship title game against Johnson and Wales back in 2002.

When head coach Adam Mazzei provided the game he modestly said: “It was a good quality win against our first place team in the league, they’ve only lost like four games, I think four games in the league in the last three years, so it was a good team. They were nationally ranked, they dropped out, but they are still getting votes from the top 25 poll, so we beat a quality team at home and we did it in a good way so we are happy about it. We know we have a good team and we are very talented. We hit a rough patch in the middle of the season and we are starting to play well now, we are just finally playing up to our potential and we are doing it at the right time. There are only two weeks left of the regular season and then the play-offs start so we are starting to gel at the right time so I’m happy about that. This shows we can beat anybody in our league when we are focused and we play hard.”

Judging by the last couple of games, the team has been in great shape and the only bump on the road was Anna Maria College. In this game Suffolk had a frustrating amount of turn overs, which in the end cost the game. Yet hopes were high prior to the Albertus Magnus game and the Rams confidently entered the court: "We won three out of four consecutive games to this game, so we were feeling a little bit at Anna Maria on Monday so we kind of refocused in the last few days of practice. I thought we would match up pretty well with Albertus so I definitely thought we had a shot," coach Nelson said.

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Power Outage: 49ers Comeback Falls Short as Ravens Win Super Bowl XLI

By Roy Ben-Joseph

Even a 35-minute power outage couldn’t stop Ray Lewis and the Ravens from winning their second Super Bowl in franchise history as they beat the San Francisco 49ers 34-31. The Ravens were in a 30-0 hole at one point of the game and looked to be finished. Then, something unexpected happened. The Ravens were able to come back with a 24-9 second half to win the Super Bowl.

The game was a back-and-forth affair with the 49ers scoring the first two touchdowns of the game. However, the Ravens were able to complete a comeback thanks to the play of Ray Lewis and his defense. One play that stands out was when Ray Lewis intercepted Colin Kaepernick’s pass and returned it for a touchdown to tie the game at 28-28. The next drive, the Ravens were able to take advantage of the 49ers’ mistake and scored a touchdown to take the lead for good.

The Ravens faced some adversity when quarterback Joe Flacco was injured in the second quarter, but they were able to overcome it with the help of their defense. Ray Lewis was a key player in the Ravens’ victory, as he had 11 tackles and an interception. Despite the power outage, the Ravens were able to play their best football and come away with the championship.

Even though the Ravens won, the 49ers were able to make a comeback and make the game exciting. Colin Kaepernick played well and threw for 287 yards and two touchdowns. However, the 49ers were unable to overcome the Ravens’ defense.

The Ravens’ victory was a well-deserved win for the team. They showed heart, determination, and great teamwork. Baltimore Ravens fans can look forward to seeing their team compete in future Super Bowls, as they have proven that they are one of the best teams in the league.