Suffolk names Gerard Coletta new Chief of Police

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Suffolk named Gerard A. "Chip" Coletta the new permanent Chief of the University Police on Monday. Current Interim Chief of Police James Ferrier has agreed to stay on the job through to the end of March to help with the transition in the department.

Coletta, a Quincy native, is a retired major of the Massachusetts State Police Troop D in Southeastern Massachusetts who served with the state police for more than two decades. As a Major, Coletta commanded a staff of more than 250 people within six different police barracks.

He also served more recently for two-and-a-half years in the Stonehill College Police Department, first as an investigator and later as a detective lieutenant. Coletta said he enjoyed his time at Stonehill and learned a lot there in only a short time.

"Campus policing is very different from normal policing," Coletta said, "It's different because you do a lot of work with people who aren't police, like administrators and students."

Coletta also acknowledged that not all campus policing is the same. "Stonehill is an insulated community, but on the other hand Suffolk is an urban campus with no public space of its own," Coletta said.

"Jim Ferrier has been very helpful with the transition. He has 37 years of experience in urban campus police," Greg Gatlin, Vice President of Marketing and Communications, said that Coletta has a "strong understanding of good


NESAD students disappointed after meeting with President McCarthy

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President James McCarthy met with students at Suffolk's New England School of Art and Design (NESAD) recently to discuss the art school's state of affairs, but the meeting seemed to raise more concerns than it answered for students.

"I think everyone's worried about the school," Tom Dempsey, a senior graphic design major, said. With budget, facility, and program issues, many students at NESAD are wondering what will happen to their school under McCarthy's presidency and the upcoming NEASC accreditation process.

Kaitlyn Musial, a junior graphic design major and advertising minor, said students at the meeting were concerned about potential course and staff cuts. Musial said McCarthy told them all programs at the university are being evaluated in the next six months to a year, before the NEASC accreditation, and cuts may need to be made.

McCarthy could not say for sure what kinds of cuts may be made at NESAD, which Musial found hard to believe. "It seems he had some kind of idea," she said, "I feel like he wasn't 100 percent honest with us."

Kellie McHugh, a certificate graphic design student, expressed concern about the longevity of NESAD and its programs.

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Police Blotter

Tuesday, February 19
3:43 p.m.
Law School
Larceny from building. Report filed.

Tuesday, February 19
6:34 p.m.
150 Tremont
Trespassing. Report filed.

Thursday, February 21
2:32 p.m.
150 Tremont
Possession of marijuana—less than one ounce. Judicial internal.

Thursday, February 21
6:01 p.m.
Possession of marijuana—less than one ounce. Judicial internal.

Friday, February 22
2:09 a.m.
150 Tremont
Liquor law violation—possession of alcohol by a minor. Judicial internal.

Friday, February 22
1:36 p.m.
Miller Hall
Possession of marijuana—less than one ounce. Judicial internal.

Saturday, February 23
1:23 a.m.
150 Tremont
Possession of marijuana—less than one ounce. Judicial internal.

Saturday, February 23
3:08 a.m.
Off Campus
Other agency assist—larceny. BPD assumed jurisdiction.

Monday, February 25
3:38 p.m.
Donahue
Larceny from building. Inactive—all leads exhausted.

News Briefs: North End student athlete arrest

Dominique Demar, 21, a Suffolk University student and athlete, was arrested and charged with assault and battery by means of a dangerous weapon and resisting arrest on Sunday Feb 24, according to a Boston Police Department report.

The police arrested Demar at the 28 Fleet St. North End apartment after a noise complaint phone call.

Police officers knocked on the door for 20 minutes before Demar apparently opened the door, yelled an obscenity, and then closed the door on an officer's shoulder.

According to police, Demar instructed fellow party-goers to hide in the apartment with the lights off before trying to escape the apartment. Party-goers also told police that Demar blocked the door in an attempt to stop them from leaving the apartment.

The police heard Demar say, "I'm out of here, I'm a proud American," before there was a short struggle to apprehend her.

"The Boston Globe tried to contact Demar's family, but were unable to get a hold of them. "A call to a Colechester, Conn. phone number listed for Demar and her family went unanswered Monday."

Poetry Circle a harbor for aspiring writers

Maria Baluch
Journal Staff

If you are a lover of poetry then look no further than Suffolk's new club, the Poetry Circle.

Founder and President, Domenic Scopa, came up with the idea for a Poetry Circle club in a meeting he had with Professor Fred Marchant, who is in charge of the creative writing program. Marchant suggested Scopa should start an organization specifically for poetry and Scopa went along with the idea.

Scopa, a junior and philosophy major, writes poetry himself and plans on going to graduate school for it. The idea behind Poetry Circle is basically to have an unofficial poetry workshop, says Scopa. Poetry workshops are offered after once a week where students write a poem per class and are given a deadline. The poems are handed back to the student with corrections made by the professor.

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The organization will be going to poetry readings or having distinguished people visit at school. Scopa says there is a couple of poets at Suffolk who are distinguished scholars themselves.

Scopa hopes that the Poetry Circle will help people grow as poets without being oppressive. Also, he hopes that people won't be afraid of sharing their poetry because what hinders many people from doing so is the fear of being ridiculed or receiving opinions from others in general.

"I hope we can provide a comfortable environment for who enjoy poetry and want a little help from Professor Marchant, who has been telling the students of his poetry workshop classes.

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Hot topic issues discussed by visiting former Congress members

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Two former members of Congress visited Suffolk University last week as "Congress to Campus" last week from Tuesday, Feb. 19 to Thursday, Feb. 21. With a busy schedule of events and places to be each day, the congressmen set off for a brief, but enjoyable, few days with Suffolk.

Arriving Tuesday afternoon at Logan Airport, Robert "Bob" McEwen, a conservative Ohio Republican who served Congress during the Reagan and Bush Sr. administrations from 1981 to 1993, was joined by another past member of Congress, U.S. Representative Robert Weygand, a Democrat from Rhode Island. Weygand was in Congress for a slightly shorter length of time than Congressman McEwen and served during President Bill Clinton's second term in office from 1997 to 2001.

After settling into their hotel rooms at the Omni Parker House, both Congressmen started Wednesday, February 20, with a visit to Government 120 Research Methods class. Students from that class were joined by students taking an introduction to American Democracy course. The slightly crowded room that was filled with students remaining empty once the discussion began) gave their attention and respect to the two former members.

Fielding various questions on wide-ranging topics from different students, McEwen managed to discuss abortion, bipartisanship in the current U.S. Congress, campaign finance laws, and taxes all in less than an hour. The level of interest was constantly visible during the class period with many students wanting to have chance at asking their question, and for some, multiple questions. On the subject of the United States Supreme Court regarding campaign contributions, McEwen said that a "corporation is a piece of paper...[it] does not walk, talk, or pay taxes." Weygand brought up how people in Congress usually tend to spend around half, if not more, of their time as elected officials raising money and attending fundraisers for their various candidates and numerous re-election campaigns.

On the matter of sequestration and automatic cuts across the board, which the can down the road," McEwen added that the situation, in the end, has its responsibility "at the steps of White House" - a reference to President Obama and what many see as a lack of strong leadership of his Congress. He said the President must come together, and used the example of Massachusetts' own Tip O'Neill, the Democratic former Speaker of the House.

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Career advice given to SBS students
during Google office tour

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Office space designed to look like a beach, state-of-the-art napping beds, and Xbox gaming centers were just some of the whimsical sights students saw at Google’s Cambridge office on a tour coordinated by Suffolk’s International Business Club.

Google has existed in Boston since 2004, when it began as only six programmers in a hotel room. It has since expanded to multiple buildings in Kendall Square and with construction continuing today, Google employee Alex Daniels joked: “We’re trying to build a compound, so you’d never have to leave.”

After the tour of the building, four Google employees in sales that have recently graduated college held a panel discussion to give business students insights into transitioning from school to work, and the perks of being a Googler.

Daniels, a Duke University graduate who previously interned at Senator Bob Menendez’s office and financial giant UBS, told students that although he has only worked at Google for a year and four months, he has already been there longer than 49 percent of the staff.

“The majority of employees at Google only stay two years because [the company] hires people with higher aspirations,” said Melanie Roth, who attended the University of Pennsylvania majoring in cognitive science and linguistics before coming to Google.

Daniels and Roth’s majors in college and further career interests aren’t similar to what one might associate with an employee for a behemoth tech company, but their stories are testaments to the diversity and uniqueness of Google.

Natalya Bohm, another one of the panelists, majored in political science and art history at school but is now in sales at Google. While she is still interested in these topics, she felt they would not be good career choices for her. When searching for a job, Bohm suggests students find what they want to be doing day to day. “You’ll be doing it for eight to nine hours a day,” she said.

Daniel Rojas, a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a double major in marketing and global business, spoke about the different clubs and development conferences Google gives its employees the option to join.

“It’s all about being passionate about something,” Rojas said, “It doesn’t matter what it is, honestly.” As a fluent Spanish speaker from Venezuela, Rojas said he would be participating in an upcoming diversity conference in San Francisco that Google is sending him to.

Bohm also urged students to work at a job they enjoyed and not settle for a job they hated, warning that “if you stay complacent somewhere for too long, you be stuck there.”

Daniels encouraged students to prioritize their tasks and goals for a career. Without school and a mandatory course track, he told students to be their own motivator. “You have to have a direction in mind...even though nothing’s pushing you that way anymore.”
Student opinion on the viability of US intervention in Syria

Joseph Nothmann  
Journal Contributor

Ten days ago I attended an address given by Canadian academic and politician Michael Ignatieff at Harvard University. In his speech, Ignatieff advocated for a humanitarian “imperative,” arguing for the concept of a responsibility to protect. Naturally this was (or became) an argument for American intervention in the current Syrian conflict. Ignatieff is certainly not alone in supporting direct and/or indirect American intervention in Syria. I have been more than a little surprised and taken aback by the increasingly blurred line between the views of humanitarian liberals like Ignatieff and those neoconservatives who have so haunted US foreign policy these past 15 years.

I agree with Vahid Nasr, of Johns Hopkins SAIS, that Obama has a feckless and ignorant foreign policy, devoid of global strategic vision, but I am not sure if I disagree with US neutrality in the Syrian conflict as an end per se, however domestically oriented that non-involvement may be. Parenthetically, the United States is a democracy, and the foreign policy of democracies is accountable to and constrained by public opinion, however myopic and/or imbecilic that opinion may (or may not) be. See “American involvement in World War Two, 09/1939-12/1941” for a clear example of this. There are many aspects of American policy, both foreign and domestic, which could conceivably be improved, were an autocratic government to consider problems and construct a strategic orientation free from the troublesome interference of electoral considerations, but the fact remains that we live in a democratic order, and I don’t perceive a groundswell of support for a change. Perhaps I am mistaken on that, but I think not. The fact also remains that the US cannot simply be against Assad. There must be some coherent entity for which American policy can stand.

But the problem is that the continuous official “report” from the government speakers has presented numerous contradictions. The most sounding one came from Vice-President Madura when he notified the country that Chavez’s health was delicate after telling on TV that the President was doing exercises less than 72-hours before. Chavez’s situation has created protests in Venezuela. The US cannot (and ideally will not) be the fireman of Syria and the Greater Middle East all the best in a glorious and prosperous future with minimal American participation – which is what its inhabitants have wanted all along, no?
Secession movements in Europe: in or out?

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At some point in middle or high school you were likely, hopefully, made to look at a map of the world. You have probably forgotten most of it beyond the basic shape of things, (the African rhino and the massive sprawl of frozen rock that is Russia) and what, with 200 nation-states and countless territories you'll never even meet anyone from, as well you probably should forget. But it's interesting to look at one every now and then, to see how things are going, and depending on how long ago high school was, it may look quite different.

In the last five years the world has welcomed a few new nations, or specifically not welcomed them depending on who you ask.

As you read this at least ten groups, mostly ethnic and nationalist, are pleading, arguing, coercing, bribing and bombing their way towards the newest place on that list.

The ones you have heard of, surprisingly, are the ones farthest away from achieving actual independence. ETA, the Basque separatist group who bombed Madrid trains in the 80's and 90's, have more or less failed. In fact, their only lasting effect on the international community is the fact that because of them, Spain will never recognize the independence of a splinter group, for fear of encouraging the rest to become militant once again.

You will notice that to this day they do not acknowledge Kosovo, who otherwise has 98 supporting UN member states, or Palestine, with 131. The other one you've heard of is the tiny "Russian Caucuses," most notably Georgia (itself more or less a state) and North/South Ossetia. A few years ago they made international headlines when a group of rebels stormed a Russian occupied village and filmed themselves cutting off the heads of a bunch of young Russian soldiers.

Both of these potential secessionist groups cite financial woes as part of their reasons for wanting to leave, but a main reason they've not succeeded is because of the ambiguity behind any potential financial benefits from such a drastic move. Indeed, some hardcore Basque nationalists argue that staying attached to Spain while the European Union showers bailout money on them is better than breaking off and trying to fend for themselves. This economic uncertainty is the main factor from the world's most elite borrowers (of which there are only 10-15, all Northern European except for Canada and Australia) this campaign tactic has lost a lot of power. Whether or not Scotland will secede remains to be seen of course, and with polls putting the yes to independence vote at roughly 32 percent, it's still very much up in the air.

The belief that Catalonia should be its own independent nation dates back to the early twentieth century, and since then there have been strong feelings towards sovereignty. Last month, the new parliament of the region approved a new declaration stating that the nation is a sovereign entity, which then allows further steps of citizens living in the Catalan region to decide to withdraw from the regions' parliament will be its own independent nation, which of course, the regions' parliament will decide to withdraw from the EU is unclear. And, while it may be argued that even when America was the process of becoming an independent nation, not everyone was fully supportive, we certainly had advantages that those in Catalonia do not have. America occupied its own land, separated from the nation which owned it. All of the land spread across the Catalan region is occupied by both Spain and France. While location might not make a difference, if only half of the people living in that region want it to be its own country, living on land owned by two other countries will pose problems for Catalan independence activists.

With so much disagreement among governments, the Catalan region may exit the European Union as a result of their independence, which is where many Catalan citizens are drawing the line. And, while its independence is imminent, whether or not the regions' parliament will decide to withdraw from the EU is unclear. In fact, much of this controversy is unclear. Reasoning for a sudden push for independence is hard to come by. Could it be that because the exact reasons were established decades ago, now only the spirit and overall idea of the movement remains?
Chavez: back or not?

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Chavez's triumphant arrival back home. How is it possible that the President enters his own country at dark, with no one able to show an image of it, as if he was a drug package? The reality is that what one can only corroborate is that the government says Chavez is back and that he is back to his house in Caracas. There is no feasible proof to confirm the President's true condition. In fact, all the evidence proves that Chavez is gone and that he is back to his house everyday. Not a single event in the chronology of his intervention in Cuba matches the profile of the charismatic, arrogant, messianic, and powerful Chavez. In this context, even a public assurer Chavez would have called on Dec. 16, 2012 when his party won 20 of the 23 EU elections, that Chavez was healthy, he would have at least called when in February 2013 they needed to celebrate commemorating his failed coup d'état more than 20 years ago.

The days are passing and what we only have is a shady rhetoric behind Chavez's arrival, a lack of a medical report on his true condition, and not a single picture nor video about him. The government says that he cannot talk and his breathing is a mystery, but his public appearance is not the only odd fact in this story. According to official reports, Chavez arrived at 4:20 am to the country. There is no video of his entry in Caracas picture. It is difficult to believe that none of the 13 publically owned TV stations failed to cover this significant moment: Chavez's triumphant arrival. 

Suffolk's newest club: Human Rights Watch

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What can Suffolk students expect to get from joining Human Rights Watch? Any potential trips you’d like to organize, any future events? To any and all interested in joining SU Human Rights Watch know this: We have so many great plans for this club and need passionate people who are willing to learn and get excited about advocating for Human Rights. Some future plans we will be discussing are: A trip abroad! Possibly to Africa or Latin America, though these plans are in the works and are still being developed. We also hope to be able to attend the national Human Rights conference in Boston. And last but not least, we are advocating by Amnesty International.

We want SU Human Rights Watch to become an able network of experts who have a presence not only in advocating for Human Rights on campus but in the Boston community as well.
Avenue Q leaves an impression on Suffolk community

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Journal Staff

Over the weekend Suffolk's Performing Arts Office (PAO) presented a musical version of a gay tale that uses Jim Henson-style puppets in order to tell the story of Princeton, a recent college grad trying to make it in New York City. Though the musical is told with the new style of puppetry that does not follow the themes of the beloved Sesame Street, Avenue Q takes more of a raunchy side to its musical adventure that tackles everything from being gay to sex and the ability to be as loud as you want when doing so.

The PAO managed to bring this musical to life by requiring more than just acting and singing skills, but the ability to use puppets and act through them. The cast did a wonderful job, not only their singing but their voice acting as well. Though the cast did a wonderful job, Delton Hulbert and Jess Talacci, who played Trekkie Monster, and Joey Graham who played Rod, were the standouts of the night. They voiced and maneuvered their puppets in a way that helped the audience suspend that reality the way it was meant to be in this play, and made you forget that there were puppets attached to people.

Threw Trekkie Monster required puppets, it was all Hulbert and his voice work that carried the character, and Talacci's movements that helped bring him to life. While Graham brought a sense of life to Nobby that went past just to his work with the puppet but the audience a great conflicted character that impressed with his rendition of "Girlfriend Lives in Canada" which had the audience in stitches. The same way that Hulbert and Couillard had to pause during "The Internet is for Porn" in order for the audience to regain their composure, after they delivered a hilarious rendition of the song. Finally Mariah Giovannucci gave a great and fiery performance as Lucy the Slut which she not only carried through in her puppet work but also in her movement and singing. All of the puppet work proved to not only be excellent in the movement of the cast proved to be just as strong not only in their singing but their acting as well. From the two bad idea bears played by Elizabeth Alden and Zoe Wells, who created havoc to Arianna Chouchaits who played the sassy and funny Christmas Eve the whole cast worked so well with each other they brought entertaining the rest of the cast.

The whole show was quite raunchy but it was also over for us Bostonians, but day's performances. From the strong puppet work to the acting, PAO's presentation of Avenue Q was well done and proved that not only the cast but the crew worked hard in order to put on the amazing musical. That delivered not only raunchy songs, but wonderful laughs and just a good time for all who got to experience this weekend's performances.

Fashion weeks inspire 2013 spring street-style trends

Saying goodbye to winter slums, and hello to a new season of chic!

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Journal Staff

Winter may not be quite over for us Bostonians, but don't fret because spring is right around the corner. And with the new season, who can resist the new fashion trends seen on the runways? The spring 2013 trends feature everything from bold stripe graphics, and patterns to black and white and anything but your usual ensemble. Read through to see what styles will be on everyone's shopping list this coming season.

Big and bold stripes are all the rage this spring as shown by designers like Tommy Hilfiger, Marc Jacobs and Oscar De La Renta. Move over the classic black-and-white stripes to thick, edgy, colorful stripes, stripes with a barcode-esque and even a little hint of gold! Pair stripes with denim for a classically American look or with anything nary for a nautical-chic look!

Don't be afraid to show a little skin with peek-a-boo pieces. Daring cutouts, baring midriff, and shear fabrics will definitely be seen for the spring. Not to worry for the girls who aren't too into baring skin because the beauty of this trend is that there is a peek-a-boo option for any body shape and you can adjust to your level of modesty. To be a little daring, you can pair crop tops with a high-wisted fitting graphic pencil skirt or to make it more girly rather than edgy, pair crop tops with a flowy maxi skirt. You can also find dresses with mini bare midriffs which only show a hint of skin.

The classic black and white color combination is back and will be seen more than ever in the coming season. This trend is about this is that it actually isn't a trend at all! It's one of those classic looks that never goes out of style. With changing seasons, that it's flattering and anyone can pull it off at every budget. You don't have to be a risk taker to follow through with this trend. You can change it up in many different ways to create a unique look that reflects your individual style. Go from work to date night effortlessly. This trend is the definition of wearable. For a simple look, try a white casual top with a black maxiskirt or for a little edge, switch up the maxiskirt for leather leggings.

No outfit is truly complete without accessories. From knee-high sandals and low heels to structured bags and metallic, the spring 2013 accessories are definitely something to get excited about. With all the different pieces, you can certainly find something that suits your personality. The knee-high gladiators are the shoes of the season. Versace, Altuzarra, and Alexander Wang were among the few designers who displayed these on the runway. Some with thick platforms whereas others with open toe. Structured bags add the perfect touch to any look and they are big enough to fit everything you need for the day. Metallic will definitely be taking a leap and everything from jewelry to even bags and shoes, metallic accessories will certainly be the statement for the spring. Add chunky metallic necklaces or gold rings to your outfit to complete your spring wardrobe.

See Spring page 10

Know a thing or two about the runway?
Are you interested in local Boston street style?
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Come say hello!
Adams Gallery presents works by NESAD faculty members

Gianna Carchia
Journal Staff

The Adams Gallery on the ground floor of the Suffolk Law School is now being permanently overseen by NESADSU. Susan Nichter, a professor at NESADSU and one of five members of its new gallery committee that is currently conducting a nationwide search for a gallery director.

“I think this idea that President McCarthy has of better integration between the departments is great,” Nichter said. “Students don’t get the chance to see what goes on at NESADSU; the Adams Gallery is much closer to the rest of campus.”

For their pilot exhibit, the faculty decided which of their own pieces would go into the show. They were given two weeks notice and were ready in time for their well-attended opening on Feb. 1.

The exhibit features painting, drawing, sculpture, installation, and photography created by NESADSU faculty members.

“We want the rest of the university to see what we can do, the level of expertise we have,” Nichter said. “One of our main questions is how can we offer added value, not just for artists, but for everyone.”

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Legendary Hero Batman Hometown Revealed

Surprise! Batman is from New Jersey. BuzzFeed reported that the Garden State is the official location of Gotham City, based on information from the book The Atlas of the DC Universe, released in 1990. This news has been confirmed by the DC Comics Wiki.

Gotham City has widely been considered a shabbier version of New York City. In 1990, the same year as the release of The Atlas, New York Times columnist William Safire wrote about it himself. “Gotham City, as all Batman fans know, is New York,” wrote Safire. “Particularly New York below 14th Street, from Soho to Greenwich Village, the Bowery, Little Italy, Chinatown and the sinister areas around the base of the Manhattan and Brooklyn Bridges.”

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The Oscars brought in 40.3 million viewers, the highest number in three years, reported Huffington Post.

The show ran for three and a half hours and the Academy delivered its six major awards to six different movies. All of the nominees were strong in the acting, writing, and directing categories this year, and seven of the nine best picture nominees received major awards. Ben Affleck, snubbed for a directorial nomination, was able to take the stage at the end of the show when his film Argo took the award for Best Picture.

While the show is being touted as one of the best in years, Seth MacFarlane is never going to host the Oscars again. Sunday’s host replied to a tweet yesterday morning asking if he would do it again with “No way. A lot of fun to have done it, though.”

Responses to MacFarlane’s hosting varied from entertained to offended, as expected. Early on in the show, there was a video of him performing a song about various topless actresses in movies. He also brought jokes about Chris Brown and Rihanna, as well as Lincoln’s assassination.

Jennifer Lawrence’s Best Actress win for her performance in Silver Linings Playbook was a minor upset for Jessica Chastain, who was awarded the Golden Globe for her role in Zero Dark Thirty. Daniel Day-Lewis, Anne Hathaway, and Christoph Waltz were widely considered shoo-ins for their acting awards.
Buckcherry returns after eight years
hits comeback with new album

Mackenzie Cummings-Grady
Journal Staff

Buckcherry was one of my favorite bands in middle school. Their hiatus comeback album is still on repeat when I feel like listening to some raunchy explicit rock and roll. When I first heard their new album Confessions, which released on Tuesday, I debated not even reviewing it, for the last eight years their post albums have been abysmal. Black Butterfly (2008) was too ballad heavy, and provided minimal opportunities to rock out, which is what the band is known for. All Night Long (2010) was the complete opposite and was filled with party songs that were shallow and all sounded exactly the same, and some even seemed underproduced.

As it seemed impossible for the band to gain back that balance they had on they released Confessions after a three-year break. While they still have a long way to go before they gain back the support of those they lost during the slump of the last eight years, Confessions shines a light of hope on the band, that maybe it is possible to teach an old dog new tricks.

The highlights of the album are no doubt “Gluttony” and “Dreaming of You,” both completely different rock songs. “Gluttony” through thick guitars and Josh Todd’s cracking vocals tell the story of a man addicted to danger and partying. The track is formulated in a unique way to make a statement they’ve been attempting to make since 15, that they are a hardcore party hard rock band. If anything the track inspires one to go out on a Saturday night and paint the town red just like Sunshine did back in 2005. “Dreaming of You” shows a maturity in lyricism that I haven’t seen from the band since “Sorry” and “Carousel.”

Other gems such as “Greed” and “Ain’t” gain the same kind of party-hard/love making response from the listener, and overall the musicianship well-constructed.

While some tracks are still under-developed and seem almost rushed in production (“Envy” and “Lust” for example), the album shows a change in the band’s style, and overall a maturity that hasn’t been visible in the last eight years. I thought my favorite guilty pleasure band was dead and gone, but with Confessions they’ve made my little eighth grade heart beat again, if only on every other song.

This Weeks Upcoming Shows & Events

- 3/1 WXRV 92.5 the River Presents: Milo Greene ft. Savoir Adore, & Parks, $15, 8 p.m. @the Sinclair
- 3/2 & 3/3 (recent MTV Woodie Award Nominees) Alt-J, $20, 8 p.m. @theParadise (3/3 ft. Hunted Waters, 7 p.m.)
- 3/6 Leedz Ent. & Jam’n 94.5 Present: Trinidad James ft. Forte Bowie, & Stu Cat, $22, 8 p.m. @theMiddleEastDownstairs
- 3/11 Django Django ft. Night Moves, $15, 7 p.m. @theParadise

From Spring page 8
Sony reveals PlayStation 4 pre-renders, leaves giant enemy crab at home.

Ivan Favelovic
News Editor

Like any piece of technology, video game consoles go through cycles. Affectionately known as “generations,” they act as markers for jumps in technology and innovation in the industry. Traditionally, a generation lasts for about five years before a new set of lovely boxes take over.

It has been eight years since the Xbox 360 came out. Some blame it on the recession, others on the increase of online access for home consoles, allowing for smaller updates to extend the shelf life of a game. Fact is, it has been way too long since a new console hit the market and the industry has suffered for it. A new generation brings creativity, it allows developers a chance to try new things and evolve the medium. When the life of an old console gets stretched, developers have no choice but to rehash old gameplay mechanics in fear that starting a new game property so late in the cycle will make their product seem stale once the new hardware hits the market.

With the Wii U hitting shelves this past holiday season, Nintendo pulled a Sega Dreamcast moment and decided to deliver their goods a little bit early and slightly underpowered compared to what we have come to expect with the Wii. Undoubtedly, the Wii U only helped Nintendo catch up to what other manufacturers were producing graphically. The one year lead will only make the games seem dated by the time Sony and Microsoft show up, so publisher support is key to keeping the console afloat.

considering their previous overstatement with the second game in the series.

A highly toured feature was the all new “Share” button in the all new controller. It will record the last ten seconds of gameplay and let you annoy your friends with your pointless gaming achievements. While this feature is a godsend for the YouTube community, I don’t see it making the new PlayStation a must buy. Furthermore, the addition of a touchpad similar to the Vita across the front of the controller seems like an awesome feature, once they tell us what they plan to do with it.

In the end, the PlayStation 4 announcement came off as kind of rushed. I understand Sony’s need to capture their audience before the overwhelming chaos of E3, but not giving the public a chance to see what the game will look like, trade shows will make their product seem stale. The Vita approach is not a good neighbor. It doesn’t hurt.

Dear Students,

The Student Government Association would like to give a warm welcome to all our students. In the past week, initiatives provided funds for the International Affairs Association, so they can attend their conference that will be held in New York. We would like to congratulate the SGA on their becoming a senator for the class of 2016.

Furthermore, this week was the meeting that was mandatory for all the students that are running for a senator position next year. Good luck to everyone that is running! The packets were due Tuesday, February 26th at 5:00pm. We invite the Suffolk community to join us for Open Forum, a very important event for the Student Government Association.

There have been a few minor changes to the initiative by-laws. If your organization is planning at coming in front of the SGA, be on the look out! Make sure the by-laws are read and you are familiar with them. The next Open Forum will be Open Forum for the candidates for the 2013-2014 Executive Board. Please join us at the C. Walsh Theatre this Thursday at 1pm. This is your chance to ask the candidates anything you would like.

Save the date for SGA elections on March 4th through 6th. This is when you pick the students that you want to represent you. SGA will be tabling in the Donahue lobby and Sawin cafe on March 5th, stop by the table and get your hands on it! We will be tabling in the Residence Halls during elections, be on the look out!

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at sga@suffolk.edu.

Have a great week.

Student Government Association
Let's get legal: does Facebook owe you money?

Shayne C. Dunbaugh
Journal Staff

That's correct — according to a recent email, some users may be party to reparations in a pending class action settlement against Facebook. The Action claims "Facebook unlawfully used over 150 million users' names, pictures, likeness and identities in featured article ad campaigns on its site."

Facebook, Inc. — a company that is still in its tentative stages after launching its Initial Public Offering just five quarters ago — outpaced its expected growth estimates last quarter wholly due to revenue generated from advertisement. As such, a proposed class action directly targeted at marketing couldn't come at a worse time for this volatile industry, especially when facing off against advertising giants like Google and Microsoft's Bing.

But how far does this violation actually go? According to the Facebook Settlement Page, claimants can file for reparations only up to $10. Further, if the number of claimants exceeds a payout deemed economically plausible according to Facebook's numbers, Facebook will give the money to a charity that educates people on proper online advertising techniques.

Is this to say that Facebook has placed a cap on the social cost of using personal information in its own profits? Are companies really willing to use someone's face and name for its own margins and then scrape out of finding the quantitative cost-per-click payout it rightfully owes to its constituents? It makes one wonder if Facebook did their homework before testing in the open market and begs the question: Does people really gain enough satisfaction from Facebook that they are willing to forfeit potential monetary gains and privacy rights violations?

Over the years, Facebook has accepted the role of pilot in the Web 2.0 era — carrying us from its inception in 2004, to the present landmark of mobile use outpacing desktop use in single quarter. Everyone agrees that Facebook has been a sensation, piggybacking on the advent of the "dot com boom," but at some point realism has to kick in.

A little review of the stock's performance is enough to knock out some of the hype and see where the stock settles or, worse, that no market exists at all. Facebook's Initial Public Offering of $42.05 came just ten months ago on May 18, 2012. It closed the day down $3.82 to finish at $38.23. Although the stock did top out at a whopping $45 throughout the day's trading, it continued to close at a steady decline until hitting its lowest of $26.82 in September. Currently, the stock has been trading in the $27-$29 range, but topped at $32.46 a month ago. The majority — and I do mean majority — of Facebook's revenue came directly from advertisement.

Is this to say that Facebook owes you one check, maybe? Is this to say that Facebook just owes you every quarter for a portion of the profits due to clicks while someone was attracted to your site. Do you think this sort of change in the market will enter a Final Order and Judgment, dismissing the case with prejudice, meaning that it cannot be filed again and remember if too many people file, Facebook will simply throw the money into a charity.

Let's get serious if Facebook admits that it featured an advertisement with a picture of someone and their name next to their site as a result of their unique creation? Do you think the profits from clicks when someone is attracted to the owner of the site receive their consent, and somebody clicked on that advertisement? Do you think this is the case, maybe Facebook doesn't just owe you one check, maybe according to our evolving democracy — Facebook owes you a check every month or every quarter for a portion of the profits due to clicks while someone was attracted to your site. Do you think this sort of change in the market will create a positive effect, evolving Web 2.0 into the next phase, whatever that may be? Could committing to constitutional rights first cause a modification of Facebook and the industry that could only result in improving real-world performance?

Photo courtesy Wikipedia Commons

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 Facebook employs a targeted marketing platform for firms, small businesses, and individuals to advertise to specific or non-specific demographics by employing advance data correlation techniques desirable to attract commerce. Options exist as to how these advertisements are portrayed and the advertiser is charged according to the campaign criteria selected. The case involved, Farley, et al. vs. Facebook, is allowing any person featured in a "sponsored story ad campaign" prior to Dec. 3, 2012 to file a claim as party to receive a proportion of a single $20 million payout by May 2, 2013. This is where it gets interesting: If the settlement is approved, the court will enter a Final Order and Judgment, dismissing the case with prejudice, meaning that it cannot be filed again and remember if too many people file, Facebook will simply throw the money into a charity.

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2013 TRANSITIONS

Off-Campus
Housing Fair

Thursday, February 28, 11am—2pm
73 Tremont Street, 9th Floor

Suffolk University
Off-Campus Housing Office
Massachusetts leads the way to equality

Ally Johnson
Journal Staff

This past Friday, the Massachusetts Department of Education issued an eleven page directive affirming rights of transgender students. This will provide guidelines for educators on how to uphold the identities of transgender and gender non-conforming students.

As outlined, transgender students must be allowed to use restrooms, locker rooms, and changing facilities that correspond with their gender identity. They are permitted to play on sport teams with the gender that they align with. Any person, student or otherwise, who deems it appropriate to purposefully use an incorrect pronoun or name as a way of deliberately harassing a transgender student will be subject to punishment and disciplinary action.

These rules and regulations were given a second look after the state's 2011 anti-discrimination law was taken into review in order to include transgender students. Transgender youth advocates are in deep support of the movement, hoping that this will allow aid for the confusion surrounding teachers, students, parents and administrators on how to conduct and take part in a safe and giving environment, inclusive to all students, transgender or not.

There will undoubtedly be backlash from the dependable right-wing individuals who wish for the traditional and restrictive to power on - but for now this is a wonderful step in the right and progressive direction. Being the long suffering and silent group of the LGBTQ advocacy, it's time for their plight to be recognized and for action towards equality to be taken. Where better to start than in the school systems?

Phi Alpha Tau: an example for us all

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An Emerson College-based fraternity is going above and beyond other college frats, showing the world what brotherhood is all about.

Phi Alpha Tau, which boasts itself as the oldest communicative arts fraternity in the country - is in the process of raising money to help a transgender brother complete his transformation surgery. With a goal of $2,000 and a total surgery cost of $31,100, the fraternity has already raised approximately $14,000 as of Tuesday night with 40 days still left on the Indiegogo campaign.

Donnie Collins - whom the fundraiser is intended for - was born a woman, but began identifying as male at the age of 17, according to Katie McNamara. The incident, which police discovered in the frat house basement.

Chuck Berger, Adam Aragon, called the effort a "prime example of supporting brothers, and that's what fraternities are supposed to represent community and support being "taken to the hospital because they were so intoxicated," according to FOX News.

The cases involving Alpha Epsilon Pi and Sigma Delta Tau are unfortunately the stereotype of how most fraternities to behave. Luckily, Phi Alpha Tau is here to show us all is not lost. While
Sports Briefs

Brady Takes Pay Cut

Tom Brady may not be the richest man in the NFL, but right now he looks like the most selfless man in the league. Brady agreed to a contract extension until 2017, but has lowered his salary for the upcoming years. His contract was extended by three years, and he now has $57 million guaranteed. This adjustment of Brady's contract opens up more salary cap space for the New England Patriots to spend on free agency or any rookies they want to bring in. Brady actually made a move like this a few years ago so former Patriot receiver Randy Moss could get a proper contract to become a Patriot. A move like this may be for similar reasons since wide receiver Wes Welker will be an unrestricted free agent in just two weeks, so the extension may help the Patriots re-sign Welker.

Canadiens, Stars Swap Ryder and Cole

The Montreal Canadiens have acquired Dallas Stars' Michael Ryder in a trade, sending Erik Cole to Dallas. Ryder was actually originally drafted by the Canadiens before he went to the Boston Bruins back in 2008. This move is one that shows that even though the Canadiens are on top in the East, they are still aware that they need to fill a few holes on offense. Ryder is in the last year of his contract and will be a free agent in the off-season, whereas Cole still has two years left on his contract. Both players shockingly had identical numbers for goals last season, both scoring 35. Ryder right now has 14 points compared to Cole's six points. Ryder is the more expensive player and Cole is bigger, but it will be interesting to see how these two play out with their new teams for the rest of the season.

Fatigue Setting in for Celtics

While the rest of the Boston Celtics team continues to look beat up and inconsistent, Paul Pierce is showing off his toughness in the second half of the season. The injury report has been on the rise all season, and for a team that has older big contract players, it has been a constant struggle to have a consistent starting line-up. 57 games into the season, and the captain Pierce has started every single game for the Celtics, and Garnett has only missed one game all season. The Celtics are fighting to stay in a decent position in the conference, and players like Pierce are showing a lot of heart and are stepping up for the team even through all the struggles against injury. There is still a lot of games left in the season, but Pierce and Garnett will have to pace themselves if they want to stay fresh the entire season and be effective in the playoffs.

Women's Basketball

Wednesday, 2/27 vs. Endicott @ 7 PM (ECAC Quarter-Finals)

Team Standings (Final)

Men's Hockey
1. Wentworth 10-2-2
2. Nichols 9-4-1
3. Curry 7-3-4
4. Western NE 8-6
5. Salve Regina 5-7-2
6. Johnson & Wales 5-8-1
7. Suffolk 3-7-4
8. Becker 1-11-2

Men's Basketball
1. Anna Maria 20-8
2. Albertus Magnus 24-4
3. Emerson 15-11
4. Johnson & Wales 15-12
5. St. Joseph's (Me.) 17-10
6. Suffolk 10-16
7. Rivier 10-16
8. Emmanuel 6-20
9. Lasell 6-19
10. Mount Ida 7-18

Women's Basketball
1. Emmanuel 23-5
2. Suffolk 21-7
3. St. Joseph's (ME) 16-11
4. Rivier 15-10
5. Albertus Magnus 20-7
6. Emerson 13-13
7. Johnson & Wales 12-14
8. St. Joseph (CT) 14-11
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Maimed Cranium

BY JON LANGE

"SEE, THIS IS WHY WE DECIDED NOT TO PLAY PEDIDDLE ANYMORE."

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In January 2011 during the annual Winter Classic game, Pittsburgh Penguins star Sydney Crosby was drilled with a shoulder to the head from the Washington Captains David Steckel and suffered a major concussion. Not only did Crosby miss the rest of the 2011 season, he also missed almost the entire 2012 season, returning only on March 14, months after the injury. His line mate in Pittsburgh, Russian forward Evgeni Malkin, was looked upon by his teammates as the one who is going to have to step in to the role of Crosby and lead the team forward. He has more than lived up to expectations. Malkin is the reigning NHL MVP following his career-best performance in 2012 in which he scored 50 goals and assisted on 59, giving him a total of 109 points. With Crosby healthy and back playing with Malkin, it was supposed to be a full strength year for the Pens, until Friday. During a game between the Penguins and the Florida Panthers Malkin lost his balance during a battle for the puck and collided with the boards while his head snapped backwards in a very awkward way. The Penguins diagnosed him with a concussion and placed him on injury reserve list without any timetable for return. Unfortunately for many hockey fans, the reigning NHL MVP is not the only star to sit out due to an injury. In the past off season, the New York Rangers traded forwards B. J. and O. Dubinsky and Artem Anisimov (who himself suffered a concussion last week) plus a top prospect for a first round pick in the 2013 draft to the Columbus Blue Jackets in exchange for their star and franchise player, Rick Nash. Nash was looking great in John Tortorella’s line and didn’t seem to have any acclimation problems. But last week, without any notice, the Rangers placed Nash on the injury reserved list with an undisclosed injury. The Rangers are taking a lot of media for being so discreet about Nash’s condition. Although the Rangers are not confirming any report, many people believe it was a nasty hit from Milan Lucic of the Bruins on Nash that might have caused some kind of upper body injury, possibly join a concussion. The hit occurred in the second period of the Bruins vs. Rangers game in the TD Garden, behind the Rangers net. Nash looked like he was shaken up on the play and the first thing he did after stepping on his skates was to chase Lucic down the ice and to confront the big bad Bruin forward. , to confront the big bad Bruin forward. Nash was a minor penalty for hooking. Both Lucic and Nash are big men around 220 pounds each. Lucic is a great fighter and is much loved in Boston for the way he stands up for his teammates. Rick Nash is one of the most talented hockey players on the planet, his stick and puck handling and quickness are at the highest pro levels. Nash lost Columbus as the franchise leader all-time in goals, assists and points. The Rangers have gone 0-2-1 without Classic star Nash in his absence. The Ottawa Senators have lost their two best players to the Senators (defensive player of the year) Erik Karlsson to a lacerated Achilles tendon and center Jason Spezza with broken back. Despite those major losses, the Senators are one point away from leading their division. It was great coaching by Paul Maclean and players such as Kyle Turris who stepped up to keep Ottawa in the picture.

The only question remaining is if Sydney Crosby will argue for his Penguins team as Malkin did in his absence and will veteran players like Marler and Gaborik and capitan Ilya Kovalchuk do the same for the Rangers in order to fill in for a very talented and valuable hockey fan base. Teammates hockey fans from both teams can only hope to see that result, but the truth has yet to be seen. With that being said, it will be very important for the NHL to get those elite talented players back as soon as possible.

NHL Tables Confusing, Pointless Re-alignment
Proposal Pending NHLPA Approval

This Tuesday, the NHL proposed a team re-alignment plan to the NHL Players Association. The move does not come as a surprise, seeing as the Winnipeg Jets (formerly the Atlanta Thrashers) still reside in the Southeast Division from their days in Atlanta. Instead of a simple shuffling of teams, the league has gone all-out, putting forward a proposal that would restructure the entire league and playoff structure. The plan makes almost no sense, and is a completely un necessary means to a simple end.

The new structure is a 30-team league divided into two 15-team conferences, East and West. Each division has gone or five teams. When the Atlanta Thrashers moved to Winnipeg for the start of last season, it was agreed that the team would stay in the Southeast Division for another two to three seasons to give the league time to come up with a realignment plan. If the NHL wanted to take the logical path to solve this problem, they would simply slot the Jets into the Central Division, and take either the Columbus Blue Jackets or Nashville Predators and move them to the Southeast Division. But the NHL is notorious for making things as complicated as it possibly can, and this new plan is simply the latest reflection of that. The new plan calls for the two conference system in the new structure will now have two big divisions (the Central and the Atlantic in the East; the Pacific and Northwest in the West) and three smaller ones.

The new divisions are horribly drawn up, with flaws like regionally new division with Detroit and the two Florida teams (Florida Panthers, Tampa Bay Lightning.) The new divisions were meant to cut down on travel for the teams, but it seems like in most cases they are simply making more travel for the teams. Another problem with the new structure is that the conferences are now uneven. If the plan passes, there will be 14 teams in West, and 16 in the East. This doesn’t seem like a huge problem until one looks at the new playoff structure that comes with this plan. In the new plan, the top three teams from each division make the playoffs. The two remaining playoff spots in each Conference will be designated as “wild card” spots. The uneven division of the Conferences could make it easier for teams in the West to grab those wildcard spots. From there, the playoff structure is just downright confusing. The first playoff round is intended to be divisional, the higher ranked No. 1 seed (the one that gets more points in the regular season) would face off against the lowest ranked wild card (the one that gets more points in the regular season), while the No. 2 and 3 seed from each division would face off against each other.

The Ottawa Senators have placed them as Toronto, Philadelphia Flyers, Washington Capitals and others. The only question remaining is if the NHLPA needs to ratify the plan. For example, there would be a longer ability to face off in the Conference Finals, the riva factor is completely erased. For those who would keep the current division would more able to face off in the Conference Finals, the riva factor is completely erased. For those who would keep the current division would more. The new plan is deep flawed, but the good news is that the NHLPA needs to ratify it for it to go into effect. Another recent history is any indication the NHL and the NHLPA do not agree on much of anything and hopefully the PA will keep the league in check.
**Lady Rams Basketball Advance to ECAC Tournament, Will Face Endicott**

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The Suffolk University women's basketball team is in the middle of one of their best seasons in a long time, finishing the GNAC Conference with a 10-2 record while posting a 21-7 overall season record.

Now the Lady Rams are ready for the ECAC tournament. After a strong regular season the Lady Rams produced great results in the GNAC playoffs. Through a solid team effort and superb individual talent the team managed to win both the quarter and semifinals in the tournament.

In the semi-finals the Lady Rams beat a powerful St. Joseph team 53-45. Head coach Ed Leyden, who was recently awarded GNAC conference Women's Basketball Coach of the Year for the 2012-2013 season, spoke about the game: "It was an intense game and we knew it was going to be a challenge. St. Joseph is a very well coached team with a lot of great players." A lot of weight was lifted from the Lady Rams' shoulders after the victory and the team is now in GNAC final, where they will face a worthy Emmanuel team that had not lost a conference game in 14 years. The Lady Rams fell to Emmanuel 68-45.

Coach Leyden gave his view on the game: "It was heart breaking and frustrating to lose that game. We had high hopes and we fought hard out there, but Emmanuel did a great job and won the game. It's been one of my most fun seasons here at Suffolk. I am close to the captains and there are strong relationships between the players. The team is likable and we have very good chemistry. There is a lot of talent in this team and when you combine that with hard work you get very good basketball players. Also the captains Jacqueline Vienneau and Lindsey Rogers have done an outstanding job of integrating new players in the team and creating a great atmosphere." Despite the loss to Emmanuel, the Lady Rams second place finish in the GNAC conference secured their participation in the ECAC tournament.

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The NBA trade deadline ended Thursday Feb 21 at 3 p.m., with no significant blockbuster trades. Here are the winners and losers:

**Winners**

**Golden State Warriors**: Golden State traded forward Jeremy Tyler to Atlanta and guard Charles Jenkins to Philadelphia in "separate salary-shredding deals." The Warriors entered the day $1.2 million over the salary cap and dealing the two players' combined $1.5 million salary brings them under the luxury tax.

**Boston Celtics**: The Boston Celtics traded an injured Leandro Barbosa, who is out for the season with an ACL tear in his left knee, and the 34-year-old Jason Collins for shooting guard Jordan Crawford. Crawford was drafted by New Jersey in the 2010 draft and has averaged 13.3 points per game in his career. He has already improved the Celtics roster by bringing some youth and scoring ability what the Celtics lack so they have a legitimate shot at winning a title.

**Memphis Grizzlies**: When you trade your leading scorer and leader (Rudy Gay) you're an automatic loser. Gay has played 10 games in Toronto, with the Raptors, leading them to a 7-3 record and averaging 24.1 points per game and 6.8 rebounds per game. Oh, and by the way, he has hit two game winners in that same span.

**Los Angeles Lakers**: Don't we see the same drama unfolding again? That same drama we saw with Dwight Howard in Orlando? The Lakers are a loser for trading that man. We all know the outcome to this Hollywood flop, and being that Dwight controls his own future he is in the driver's seat and the Lakers are going for a long ride.

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