A Senseless Loss

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Dear Students and Colleagues,
My thoughts, and the thoughts of the entire Suffolk University community, are at this moment with the victims of [Monday]'s tragedy in Boston and their families and loved ones.

As you know, two explosions occurred [Monday] afternoon near the finish line of the Boston Marathon in the Copley Square area. We have not received any reports of injuries to Suffolk students or employees. However, we remain concerned for the welfare of our entire community. We ask students who have not already done so to reach out to their families and let them know you are OK.

Suffolk University has already come together to make sure we are offering support to those in need at this time. As we all return to campus, the Counseling Center will supplement its usual services with a support group for students affected by this tragedy. Additional information about counseling services available to both students and employees may be found online in the Emergency Alert. After regular business hours, students may contact the Counseling Center at 617-573-8226.

Boston is our home, and today we stand together in the face of this tragedy and pledge to support one another in the days to come.

Sincerely,
James McCarthy, President

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Broken Barricades.

Pearlman was taking pictures for a couple of minutes before she was ordered to leave the area by Boston Police. "I have been in the middle of a gunshot-covered Occupy Boston. I have felt this adrenaline before, but never like that," said Pearlman. "I have been looking at pictures of this kind of carnage, trying to decide which picture is the best. Looking at charred bodies, war victims, constantly looking at bloody pictures...it's not the same when you live it and breathe it."

The improvised explosive devices killed three people and injured 170 people at the time of this writing. One of the deaths is a Boston University Graduate Student while seven Emerson students, three Northeastern University students, three Tufts University students, two Boston College students, one Berklee College of Music student and another Boston University student were among the wounded, according to the universities.

Junior Dan Lampariello was a Metro Correspondent at the Boston Globe was one of the many people inside a building when the explosions occurred. "I was working at my second job about half a block from the second explosion. (The explosion) shook the building so much I was worried the glass was going to blow. By the second explosion, the manager of the store rushed everyone into the basement. 'There were at least 100 of us shoulder to shoulder,' said Anderson, 'I didn't know what to think, warning students to remain clear of the marathon finish line. Once the gravity of the event was understood, a letter was sent out by President McCarthy.

"The sun rose to a different Boston. The National Guard was stationed at every train station, armored police surround major landmarks, and the twelve blocks surrounding Copley Square have become the biggest crime scene in the city's history. 'I woke up angry,' said Anderson, 'I'm not comfortable. I have a thirst to want to know why.'

While some people tried to go on with their normal routines, Assistant Professor of Marketing at Suffolk, Stephanie Lawson had a revelation. "I obviously had a lecture planned," said Lawson "but I thought about it yesterday, 'I can't go in there and talk about consumer satisfaction when this thing just happened right here.' There is a big service component to our job...I never want to forget what it feels to be their age."

Lawson brought her 10 a.m. Consumer Behavior class to Dunkin Donuts instead of giving the normal lecture. Students were allowed to leave if they wanted but a small number came back to the class. "We talked about what happened and by the end everyone was laughing and everyone was in a good mood," said Lawson. "I wanted to tell them that it doesn't matter how you deal with this, everyone heals in different ways. Maybe your friend needs to post everything on Facebook, maybe they need to watch 24 hours of news."

The university's Counseling Services offered walk-ins and appointments all day on Tuesday and together with the Interfaith Center gave students an ability to express themselves and clear the air. "I hope that the culture at Suffolk changes," said Lawson. "I read a story that people wanted to transfer because there is no sense of community and I feel like a day like today created a great feeling...a strong community."

The American Red Cross set up a blood drive at Suffolk as well and had to turn back donors as early as 12:30 p.m. due to an overwhelming number of volunteers.

"I try to see logic, I'm not going to speculate," said Thibault, "I could have walked right next to this guy, he could have stood right next to me...I was standing next to a bomb and didn't even know it, literally just chiling there for like ten minutes. It wasn't until I saw the video at home...I was ten people away from getting my leg blown off."

Pearlman understands she is "still in shock. The moment I decide to leave war corresponding, I run into a bombing," the claims that she was scared to ride the T, "not even going to the office today. I'll be ok though, time will heal."

Anderson is confident Boston will grow from this event. "We are a gritty city, we don't give up," he said. "We won't forget, but I am positive we can rebuild. I'll have to go to work at the same place [when] they reopen...keep on going."

Suffolk University will hold a Service of Remembrance at 10 a.m. in C. Walsh Theatre this Thursday, April 18.
Suffolk Student Government Association (SGA) Leadership Awards

On Wednesday, April 10, 2013, members of the Suffolk University community, ranging from students, to professors, administrators, coaches, and other staff members, joined together at the Marriott Boston Copley Place to celebrate the achievements of Suffolk students, with the annual Suffolk Student Government Association (SGA) Leadership Awards.

Starting at 6 p.m., the ceremony commenced with light drinks and refreshments provided on the lower floor with an impressive performance from Rhythm, one of Suffolk's student music groups. The university's community gathered to begin a celebration that is held towards the end of each spring semester.

Corinne DeCost and Ashley Niemicz, who are both SGA senators, introduced the ceremony which began around 7 p.m. and lasted almost three hours. The crowd, estimated in the hundreds, sat at tables in a big room on the third floor of the hotel located just a few blocks from the Prudential Center.

DeCost and Niemicz, who are also members of Suffolk's Sketchical Misconduct, kept the audience entertained and amused throughout the show. Other talented student groups performed for the crowd, including two songs by the Ramifications and another hilarious improv skit by Seriously Bent. Students who attended were quite impressed with how the ceremony went and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Samienta "Sammy" Pierre-Vil, the out-going Suffolk Student Government Association President, opened the ceremony.

"The best part," she said, "was watching how happy each award recipient was as his or her name was called." Pierre-Vil has attended the SGA Awards since she was a freshman, and even served on the committee her freshman year.

When asked if she was ever nominated, and what for, Pierre-Vil explained she was nominated last year for both President of the Year and CAS student of the year, and she ended up winning Junior of the Year. She added that the "SGA community did nominate me this year for both President and CAS student of the year but I wanted to play a more active role in the awards so I asked to be removed from the running."

Preparation for the event, as you can imagine, took quite some time. Pierre-Vil said that SGA began planning this year's SGA Awards ceremony in the fall and in the spring time they met on a weekly basis.

Pierre-Vil, a student who will be joining her fellow seniors at graduation in a few weeks, also added that she "would like to thank everyone who helped make this night a success and congratulate all the nominees and recipients."

Allysa Perry, a freshman and SGA senator for the class of 2016, also attended. Perry said she went to the award ceremony because she was nominated for Outstanding Freshman of the Year (although she did not make it to the final rounds) and also because she is an SGA senator.

"The best part about the awards," Perry explained, "was the improv group, they did an awesome job of acting and keeping people entertained."

William "Billy" Cerullo, former SGA senator to the class of 2014 and newly elected SGA President for the 2013-2014 school year, took part in the official "Passing of the Gavel," where Pierre-Vil handed over power to the student succeeding her as president. Cerullo said she thought there were many great aspects of this year's SGA Awards Ceremony, it's hard to pick just one. Two things that I do love about the awards, and that go hand in hand, are the camaraderie and the recognition of leaders around campus.

"I think it is important to recognize the hard work of students, organizations and faculty around campus," he said. "It serves as a reminder of the amazing individuals within the Suffolk community. Even further, it is great to share all of the amazing successes that we have had over the year."

This is Cerullo's second year in SGA, but this was his first time going to the SGA Awards Ceremony.

Suffolk's new SGA President also said that he was nominated for Outstanding Sophomore last year, and was nominated this year for Outstanding Junior and Unsung Hero. Cerullo mentioned that the "awards night is a great example of how anyone can be involved on campus and become a leader thereafter. I truly believe that it is important for students to become involved on campus."

The winners for each category were: Sketchical Misconduct: SU Sketch Comedy Troupe, New Organization of the Year; The Suffolk Voice, Most Improved Student Organization of the Year; Erm Bessette, CAS Student of the Year; Joseph Bebeleo, Sawyer Business School (SBS) Student of the Year; Judith Dushku, CAS Faculty of the Year; Stephanie Lawson, SBS Faculty of the Year; William Davis, Administrator of the Year; Ed Leyden, Coach of the Year; Jacqueline Vienneau, Female Athlete of the Year; Johneris Mendez, Male Athlete of the Year; Recyce Thomas, International Student of the Year; Aldiana Mujanovic, Freshman of the Year; Klonemi Papadopoulos, Sophomore of the Year; Connor Finley, Junior of the Year; Brad Migliacci, Outstanding Senior of the Year; Avenue O, Campus Sponsored Program of the Year; Black Student Union (BSU)'s Black History Month, Student Organization Program of the Year; Carolina Garcia, Unsung Hero-Faculty/Staff; Andrew Catalina, Unsung Hero-Student; Coach James Nelson, Lifetime Achievement Honor; and, last but not least, Program Council, Student Organization of the Year.

During the ceremony, there was also a silent auction fundraiser where all proceeds went to a charity. John Silveria, faculty advisor to Suffolk SGA, gave the closing remarks.

On Thursday, Suffolk University President James McCarthy emailed students to announce tuition hikes for the 2013 - 2014 school year. Full time undergraduate tuition will be $31,292 next year, a three percent rise that will add $920 to students' bills, according to McCarthy.

This percentage rate matches last year's tuition increase, he smallest increase Suffolk has implemented in 36 years. Greg Gatlin, Vice President of Marketing and Communications, said the price hike was necessary to "provide students with the best services." "We obviously want students to have the best experience and educational experience," he said. "We are aware that students and their families have to pay the tuition, but we also want to keep Suffolk education affordable, but we recognize that $30,000 is expensive for many families.

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Housing costs for living in Suffolk's dorm buildings will stay flat for the fourth year in a row. Last year, the Journal reported that Suffolk's housing costs were most expensive in the nation, according to a list compiled by Campus Grotto. Meal plan costs will see an increase of between $88 and $110.

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Suffolk and Boston students walk all night at Relay, hoping for a cure with each step

Ellie Hawkins
Journal Staff

On the evening of April 13, students came from all over the Boston area to participate in Relay for Life, held at the Track and Tennis Center at Boston University. This Relay is one of many that are held all over the United States and the world, it was held from 6 p.m. on Saturday night into 6 a.m. Sunday morning. It is an event where people of all ages can come help support cancer research.

Suffolk University students were present at the event through campus Greek Life and a group comprised of Honors Program students.

Inside the Boston University indoor Track and Tennis Center there was excitement in the air. Students, families, and individuals came to help support their friends and loved ones. Attendees were supportive and involved through the duration of this event, which can help prevent cancer in the future.

Sean Weldon from Suffolk University said that he came to help support the future prevention of cancer. Another participant, Bianca Saunders, stated that she came for her family and friend who passed away at age 13.

The American Cancer Society is celebrating their 100th year and is The Official Sponsor of Birthdays. The Relay at Boston University was sponsored by Colleges Against Cancer. Most Relays are based off the same schedule of events every year. The event starts with an opening ceremony, where the Relay committee explains what relay for life is and some of the events that will be happening that night.

Next is the survivor walk. The individuals who have survived, or who are fighting cancer, wear purple shirts with the Relay for Life logo on the front. They walk the "survivor lap" around the track, and after they have completed this everyone else joins in and walks with them.

After the survivor lap there were multiple other events that students could participate in: photo scavenger hunt, feed me game, and step up Boston, among others.

The sound of each person’s glow stick cracking was eerie and scary. Knowing how many people were affected by cancer hit participants close to home. After the glow stick crack, everyone watched as the word "HOPE" was lit up and displayed on the other side of the Track and Tennis Center. Then all the participants walked a lap for all the people who have been affected by cancer. As the participants walked around the track the word "HOPE" turned into the word "CURE," showing that one day there will hopefully be a cure.

Relayers thought this was the most emotional part of the night. Many people were crying as they listened to the music and watched the pictures on the slide show go across the screen.

Thankfully right after this event the BU Jazz group came and helped lift everyone’s mood. The night continued on with a dodge ball tournament, liquid fun, zumba, Mr. Relay Pageant and performances where dance teams showed off their moves.

Some of the different clubs that participated in Relay for Life were Theta Phi Alpha, Delta Gamma, Kappa Delta, Tri Delta, BU Dental: Smile for Miles, PA Group, groups of supportive friends, and many more.

Eric Girouard, a sophomore at Boston University majoring in math and computer science said, "60% of the participants at this Relay are Greek Life."

This year at the Boston University Relay there were 1,106 people who registered online to participate and the committee was expecting a total of 1,400 participants including walk-ins.

Kyrena Krekel, the President of the Executive Board of Colleges Against Cancer started planning this event in September of 2012," said Girouard. He also stated that the biggest thing he wants participants to take away from this event is how much progress there has been since cancer research began and how much being here does help.

Thanks to American Cancer Society there have been nearly 14 million people who are celebrating another birthday this year and $3.8 billion has been awarded in research grants since 1946.
"Having [Robert Kraft] as the 2013 commencement speaker at our graduation is extremely meaningful...making the event of graduation of even sweeter." - Senior, Dan Newall

Suffolk Sustainability has forward plans for Earth Day

"Our goal is just to raise awareness," says Careese Peters, 20, of Boston. "We hope to provide some information on the repercussions of using things like the Keystone pipeline or tar sands, and just some general information on cleaner energy resources."

As an environmental representative at Suffolk, Peters has worked to raise awareness about current environmental issues as well as putting together this event with Suffolk’s Sustainability Coordinator, Erica Mattison.

Much of the interest for this event sparked after the Forward on Climate Rally brought thousands of Americans to Washington, D.C. in February to protest the construction of the Keystone XL pipeline.

"It’s a hot topic in the U.S. right now, and it’s something we thought students would be really interested in learning about," said Peters.

On Feb. 17, 2013, thousands of Americans rallied together on the Mall in Washington, D.C. in what is described as the largest climate rally in U.S. history. According to an article by Andrew Rafferty for NBC News, the government argues that creating the pipeline will provide the U.S. with a reliable energy source and create jobs during a period of slow economic recovery.

However, those attending the "Forward" rally suggest that the pipeline will release more carbon, further heating the Earth and causing more devastating events like droughts and extreme storms.

Issues like this and many more will be the topics of discussion on Earth Day at Suffolk. While not necessarily a "debate," Suffokk’s Earth Day event will fill students’ minds with information. After all the main goal of the Sustainability office is simply to raise awareness.

"I’m excited to be putting on this event to talk about energy and climate issues with Suffolk students," says Mattison. "This is a really timely topic, and we want students to have a full understanding of where energy comes from and the repercussions of that. We’re also pleased to have the support of the Institute of Public Service and the support of Sodexo to help with the luncheon."

Students are invited to enjoy good food, but more importantly, good conversation.
Students First

A MISSION TOWARD
A GREATER SUFFOLK

Suffolk University is a TALENT CATALYST that recognizes and develops STUDENT POTENTIAL.

Leveraging our location in the HEART OF BOSTON, our faculty, staff, and alumni work together to provide a STUDENT-CENTERED EXPERIENCE.

This DIVERSE COMMUNITY builds on its dedication and excellence in EDUCATION and SCHOLARSHIP to empower graduates to be SUCCESSFUL LOCALLY, REGIONALLY, and GLOBALLY.
Ryan Powell
International Editor

With summer quickly approaching, international students on campus have a lot more to think about than the average student from the U.S. Apartment leases are close to ending and work visa laws are holding back students from earning income. The next question is always whether or not it is economical for a student to pay for an expensive roundtrip flight that can cost up to $2,500, which is what most students expect to earn in a summer.

Although spending time with family is alluring, international students have found themselves on the search for internship opportunities in the area to save themselves from footing the steep bill necessary to travel across continents. For any student, both from the U.S. and abroad, summer internships and jobs are always a hot topic the few weeks before the spring semester closes. Since conventional jobs such as café baristas or waiting tables are often too complicated to find a job in Africa, it is better. Now, it seems like if you can find a job in Africa, it is better.

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African students at Suffolk University, who works in the undergraduate admissions office as a trustee ambassador, said it was easier to stay and work than fly home because of her job on Suffolk's campus. It can be "really stressful," reiterated Al-Ashgar.

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Reema Al-Ashgar, '16, an electrical engineering student from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, has been drawn to Suffolk for the opportunity via educational opportunity, but that does not mean she does not dearly miss her home country. "I want to go back home," Al-Ashgar said, but it can become a hassle when traveling. Other international students have found themselves in a more convenient position for summer opportunities, but the realities with their family and friends do not always prove easy to understand. Al-Ashgar commented on the summer sessions which allow students to stay on campus and study without their student visas expiring. "Most people take Summer One and then go back," Al-Ashgar said, but it can become a hassle when traveling. Other international students have found themselves in a more convenient position for summer opportunities, but the realities with their family and friends do not always prove easy to understand.

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Carol Leon, '15, a sophomore studying international affairs, is presented with a unique situation that brings a variety of factors for these students to consider that effect their future work and life possibilities. International students make up a great deal of the student population and their presence is welcomed and very much appreciated. The international diversity on campus is what sets Suffolk University apart from so many other institutions in the U.S. Unfortunately, their enrollment does not come without financial and family difficulties when making a decision to stay or go home over break. International students strive for better opportunities such as internships and work-study positions, but there are more factors for these students to consider that effect their future work and life possibilities.
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International education and cosmopolitan citizens

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Journal Contributor

Faculty and administrators of the Sawyer Business School and the College of Arts and Sciences are currently debating a potential "common" undergraduate curriculum. At the same time, Suffolk seeks to enhance its international presence and profile through a variety of programs and initiatives. It is essential at this juncture that the university reaffirm its commitment to instruction in foreign language and culture for all students. Sadly this contributor suspects that foreign language programs will fall prey to financial exigencies and "strategic" decision-making. This would be a grave error.

Suffolk considers itself an international university, and the composition of its student body reflects this outlook. While geographic diversity in the student body can certainly provide some alternative perspectives for indigenous students, it is simply not sufficient in our globalized environment. An in-depth exposure to foreign languages and cultures should be considered an imperative in curriculum development. A more parochial educational model fails students both as prospective job-seekers and as citizens of the Republic. It is not a coincidence that European students in a variety of disciplines combine their vocational or intellectual studies with a foreign language concentration. Even though English is the current lingua franca (a phrase reflective of an earlier phase of French dominance) of global commerce and education, an increasingly multipolar world demands both perspective and expertise from beyond national borders.

Even within the United States a wide variety of languages are spoken. It is hard to think of a desirable job in the future economy for which fluency or proficiency in a second (or third) language would not be of significant benefit. In the international sphere, the old adage remains true: the partners are happy to sell products in English, but they are much more likely to buy products from those conversant in their language and culture. In a country where the trade deficit is a topic of near constant discussion (and complaint,) a commitment to furthering commerce through language and cultural interchange seems most necessary. Instead of viewing language courses as financial liabilities, the administration should see them as investments in the future success of university alumni. Conversely, students

Opinion: Kony 2012 in retrospect

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Kim Jong Un is missing. He has not made a public appearance in two weeks now, which doesn't necessarily mean anything by itself. However, given the fact that he has been mouthing off to the western imperialists with vague nuclear suggestions, more or less everyday for the last two months, makes it somewhat suspicious. Remember that Hugo Chavez disappeared for a few weeks right before he died. However, for all we know he is alive and well, relaxing over Moet & Chandon and a Woody Allen flick in a penthouse somewhere and therefore I will honor my own vague threat last week to discuss the Kony 2012 campaign.

I liked it. I admit it, this time about a year-and-a-half ago, without even thinking about it really, I just clicked the "like" button on Facebook when some casual friend I respect but don't know well posted it. Maybe the source had to do with it. I just assumed it was another one of his political rants and liked it because I like him. Little did I know I had become part of a fraternity of concerned Americans, millions strong, an uncompromising body with a single goal of bringing the devil reincarnate Kony to justice, and saving some African kids along the way. Did every single one of these idealists actually watch the whole 30-minute long video? Did I watch the video? Of course not. I am the product of a generation raised to absorb aggressive advertising and was therefore personally offended at the suggestion that I had half an hour to spare for just one of the thousands of demands for my attention in just one day. I assume it was the same for many of my new peers.

If I had watched the video I would have been confused. The Ugandan Overlord was the 'subject' of the video, per se, but the underlying current is a little more interesting. The 'social media change' is a little more interesting. The 'subject' of the video, per se, but the underlying current is a little more interesting. The 'social media change' is a little more interesting. The 'subject' of the video, per se, but the underlying current is a little more interesting. The 'social media change' is a little more interesting. The 'social media change' is a little more interesting. The 'social media change' is a little more interesting.

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The video really focuses on 'telling your friends to use brief shots of kids holding cell phones and using keyboards to get you exited. you too can change the world! The underlying vibe is educational, not about Africa but how to tell your friends that they should care because you suddenly care. It was infectious, and a rousing success. I mean it, it's a good video. It is just not about what it claims to be about. I can almost picture a couple of videographers with money and time to kill arguing about their respective social advertising skills. Dr. Seuss was bet by a friend long ago that he couldn't write an entire book using only 50 words. The result was "Green Eggs and Ham," a book we've all heard of. That's exactly what I think happened. That poor publisher, before his infamous sexual meltdown in a parking lot in California was a truly gifted social engineer who won a bet that he couldn't make a 30-minute long video explode around the world.

"I'm so good I even let you name the subject of the video."
"Anything I want?"
"Sure."
"Child Soldiers in Africa."
"No problem."
A powerful earthquake struck a border area of southeast Iran on Tuesday, killing at least 35 people in neighboring Pakistan, destroying hundreds of houses and shaking buildings as far away as India and Gulf Arab states. Reuters reported early Tuesday that communications with the sparsely-populated desert and mountain region were largely cut off, making it difficult to assess Iranian casualties. But an Iranian provincial governor later said there were no reports of deaths there so far.

"Our staff were in a meeting and we felt the ground shake," Saleh Mangi, Programme Unit Manager for Plan International in the Pakistani town of Thatta, was quoted as saying by the British office of the children's charity. "It was horrible - we felt the movement in the chairs and even the cupboards were shaking. This is the strongest quake I have felt since the 1980s." Pakistani officials said at least 30 people were killed and 150 injured in the town of Mashkeel in the southwestern Pakistani province of Baluchistan, which borders Iran.

**NORTH KOREA**

A US military helicopter crashed Tuesday, April 16, near the North Korean border, a South Korean defense official said, with no reported casualties. The helicopter, identified by the Yonhap news agency as a UH-60 Black Hawk, came down in Cheolwon County, which touches on the border with North Korea, a defense ministry spokesman told AFP. The precise cause of the crash was not immediately clear, but the incident occurred during ongoing South Korea-US joint military exercises. Yonhap quoted emergency rescue workers as saying the 12 service personnel on board the helicopter had survived the crash, which comes at a time of heightened military tensions on the Korean peninsula. North Korea has condemned the joint exercises as a rehearsal for invasion, and made a series of dire threats of military retaliation. There are 28,500 US military personnel permanently stationed in South Korea.

**NEW ZEALAND**

According to AFP, New Zealand is poised to legalize same-sex marriage in a parliamentary vote that gay rights advocates Tuesday said will represent a milestone in the struggle for equality. A bill that amends the 1955 Marriage Act to describe marriage as "a union of two people regardless of their sex, sexual orientation or gender identity" will have its third and final reading in parliament on Wednesday. The proposal is set to pass comfortably after receiving widespread support during two previous debates—including backing from Prime Minister John Key—with the most recent vote last month running at 77 votes for and 43 against.
The night began with an introduction of the Suffolk choir group, which featured a uniform fashion to match the night's dressy theme. The Suffolk choir group performed a medley of Queen songs, dressed in sleek red and black outfits, and danced in a uniform fashion to the song "September" by Earth, Wind and Fire. After hearing these performances, the audience was very impressed.

Another notable acceptance speech was delivered by a Suffolk University student who is a woman in combat. She spoke on how the woman in her story risked so much to do what she had to do, and Walsh was moved by that dedication.

A notable movie critic, Rampage took the stage for a musical performance. Dressed in sleek red and black outfits, the performers sang and danced in a uniform fashion to "September" by Earth, Wind and Fire. After hearing the student's performance, Rampage took the stage again and performed their own medley of Queen songs.

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Venture launches annual magazine

He is the author of the 1993 Washington Prize for poetry winner Tipping Point. Of the nearly 450 submissions for this year's annual publication, this helped us decide on a certain sequence in which to present the pieces in the magazine. The majority of submissions came from incredibly talented students on campus, and I have learned throughout the past few months how artistic our student body is.

The entire editorial staff worked tirelessly throughout the semester to perfect not only the magazine, but this event. "Communication is vital; it's what keeps us from slipping into our own minds. Any and literature break down these thought barriers between people. It is a common language among those who may not even relate. Art is the enrichment of one's soul; the answer to a question never spoken out loud. When we bond through expression, we speak in volumes louder than any verbal ones. In the realm of art and personal expression, there is an ultimate harmony; fluidity of movement; universal understanding.

As one of its few print publications, Venture is a valuable part of the Suffolk community. They publish poems, fictional and non-fictional stories, and any kind of artwork. Submissions for next year's issue will be accepted beginning in late September. Venture is now welcoming applications to be a part of next year's editorial staff.

Are you interested in writing for The Journal? Have you enjoyed reading The Journal this year? The Journal would love for you to join our staff! suffolkarts@gmail.com send a quick message & say hello!
Patton Oswalt hits Facebook to reach out to Boston

Gianna Carchia
Journal Staff

In a timely and moving statement on his Facebook page, Patton Oswalt posted his thoughts about the Boston Marathon tragedy with a reminder that good always conquers evil. He recalls his reaction to 9/11, saying that, at that point, he had had it with humanity. "But I was wrong," he continued. "I don't know what's going to be revealed to be behind all of this mayhem. One human insect or a poisonous mass of broken societies. But here's what I DO know. If it's one person or a HUNDRED people, that number is not even a fraction of a fraction of a fraction of the population on this planet. You watch the videos of the carnage and there are people running TOWARDS the destruction to help out. (Thanks FAX Gallery founder and owner Paul Kozlowski for pointing this out to me). This is a giant planet and we're lucky to live on it but there are prices and penalties incurred for the daily miracle of existence. One of them is, every once in awhile, the wiring of a tiny sliver of the species gets snarled and they're pointed towards darkness."

But the vast majority stands against that darkness and, like white blood cells attacking a virus, they dilute and weaken and eventually wash away the evil doers and, more importantly, the damage they wreak. This is beyond religion or creed or nation. We would not be here if humanity were inherently evil. We'd have eaten ourselves alive long ago. So when you spot violence, or bigotry, or intolerance or fear or just garden-variety misogyny, hatred or ignorance, just look it in the eye and think. The good outnumber you, and we always will."

Following a tragedy like the one that occurred on Monday, it's important to keep thoughts like these at the forefront. Oswalt's message has spread like wildfire across the internet; celebrity or not, he sent a message that could reach its entirety can be found on his Facebook page. Following his remarks, he reminded the citizens of the world that without kindness and the existence of those willing to help in times of need, humanity would have swallowed itself whole already. "So when you spot violence, or bigotry, or intolerance or fear or just garden-variety misogyny, hatred or ignorance, he concluded," just look it in the eye and think. The good outnumber you, and we always will."

Boston-bred celebrities send Twitter love to their hometown

This Weeks Upcoming Shows & Events
• 4/18: Fx Manchu ft. Bloodstuff & Gozu, 7 p.m. Doors, $15 @the Sinclair
• 4/18: Timeflies @theHOB, 7 p.m. Doors, $25
• 4/19: the Feelies, $22, 8 p.m. Doors @theSinclair
• 4/20: the Dead Milkmen ft. Rebuilder 8 p.m. Doors, $22 @theSinclair
• 4/21 Clinic Ft. No Joy, the Cobbs, 7 p.m. Doors, $15 @theSinclair
• 4/22: Skinny Lister ft. The Folks Below & Fixed BoJ onts $10, 8 p.m. Doors @theMiddleEastUpstairs
• 4/23: One More Time - A Tribute to Deft Punk ft. DJ Master Millions @theParadise, Doors 8 p.m. $20
• 4/24: Twin Tigers ft. High Pop, Palm Springs Life, Forget Forget $10 8 p.m. Doors @theMiddleEastUpstairs
• 4/26: Ben Rector ft. Alpha Rev, 7 p.m. Doors, $20 @ the Sinclair
New York City’s famed Shake Shack sets up shop in Boston

Soleil Baxros, Journal Staff

Shake Shack has been nothing but an acclaim since its doors were opened on March 20, 2001, and today, it continues to attract customers in celebrating the very first day of spring. Located directly off of a busy highway, better known as Route 9, at 49 Boylston St. more specifically, Bostonians can now enjoy all the juicy goodness that lies between the lettuce, tomatoes, burger and the bun at the popular Shake Shack.

Traveling by car would be the ideal situation, but as for young learners dwelling in the city of Boston and the college atmosphere, this particular location is quite the adventure to get to. Approximately 11 stops on the MBTA’s D-line will take you right into suburban Chestnut Hill. approximately two miles away from the heart of Suffolk University’s campus, Shake Shack is successfully taking on the world as they visited N.Y., Chicago, and various international locations. It is without a doubt that this particular franchise is taking over the burger joint business. The inviting friendly service and delicious deals that lie within the restaurant's walls easily make this particular location one of the more memorable experiences in comparison to the shakes spread throughout the various parts around the country.

Marathon RELIEF

How Can You Help?

The One Fund
Formed by Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick and Boston Mayor Menino
Donations: Onefundboston.org

The Salvation Army
Donations, clothing, food, books, gift cards
Donate.salvationarmyusa.org

Blood drives
www.redcross.org

Vince Wilfork Foundation
Text “VINCE” to 50555 to donate $10 to efforts
Wilfork will match $10,000 in donations

Housing
Google Doc available online for people who have housing available for stranded runners

Wednesday, April 17, 2013
3 PM – 10 PM
The Tavern, 102 Irving St., Framingham, MA
100% of proceeds go to disaster relief

The ‘Rams Can’ Kindness Campaign

While the incidents at the Boston Marathon this week were very tragic, we also witnessed incredible acts of heroism and kindness from first responders, volunteers, and members of the Boston Community. To honor that spirit of help and kindness, we are encouraging all members of the Suffolk Community to join in our ‘Rams Can’ campaign. What can you do to spread a little kindness and help someone else? Between now and the RAMily Reunion on April 18, 2013 think about a way you can be kind – as an individual, a student organizations, or a group of colleagues. At the RAMily Reunion we will ask people and groups to share their ‘Rams Can’ story on a wall of inspiration to show our gratitude for the kindness our city has shown and to pledge our support as a Suffolk community for the city of Boston and those impacted by the Boston Marathon tragedy.

Some ideas to get you started - ‘Rams Can’

• Rams can donate Blood. Remember, patients currently being treated will need blood over the coming weeks and months.
• Rams can help a tourist by giving them directions.
• Rams can tutor someone in your class who may be struggling.
• Rams can hold the door for someone.
• Rams can thank a first responder.

Event: RAMily Reunion
Date: Thursday, April 18, 2013
Time: 12:00 – 2:00pm
Location: 73 Tremont, 9th Floor

In light of a senseless tragedy, ‘Rams Can’ come together and make a difference with kindness.

For more information contact sl@ Suffolk.edu
Ethan M. Long  
Editor-In-Chief

I was angry. In fact, I was livid. In the moments that followed, a huge crowd on Boylston Street just a few blocks down from Forum, a bar where I spent a lot of time, the local radio station featuring former staff members of WFNX, was sponsoring a benefit for the Joe Andruzzi Foundation. To make matters worse, I had followed the flow of families, students, and spectators down Newbury Street from the Hynes MBTA station right onto the wrong side of the street. This was my first Boston Marathon experience, and up until I arrived at Forum an hour after I stepped off the Green Line, I had convinced myself that this huge, mass-marketed event, with thousands of people wandering their way through huge crowds, just validated my pre-determined annoyance of “Patriot’s Day.”

Two years ago, I had been hanging out in the alleys of Harvard Square before heading to the sidewalk not far from Sound of the City based band Fissed Jeans, a band which has consistently put on some of the most consistently exciting and impressive Oakland, in particular, had captured my imagination: what a perfect example of the type of community and solidarity between neighbors. “Planet Oakland,” as they called it, was the opposite of what Boston felt like at the time. The DTM music community was thriving. I could just imagine stumbling through a crowd and get in the way and force what were once safe-space hosting friends to hop on stage. I hadn’t been speaking to my friend Adric before Monday, this was on my mind more than anything else.

I arrived at Forum, which I had been to twice, since it was 2008 and 2012 elections. I was there the last time I had run into Adric XII and the rest of the Staff were standing by the door. Those IS seconds or so have been my body move like I was jumping from one side of a mosh pit to the other, into a fan’s chest – but I had more room to jump. It was one of those bars, and the pandemonium, I took the first chance I could to push the table forward and just out the back door. Those 15 seconds or so have been a blur I had never felt total hysteria before. Quite a sensation, it split my brain and my body, and without much processing, I felt my body more. There was so much smoke, Glass blew by my face. A pretty heavy-set guy, I was the earliest target in the room. I had to get on stage and run off and slips of paper were flying every which way. I couldn’t see, there was so many people, and I couldn’t see, there was so much smoke. Glass flew out of my eyes. I didn’t have the photographer there. A Flash went off along with a huge boom.

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Once inside Forum, I decided to turn back around and hike up a block to Walgreens, where I purchased lens cleaner, cloth, and a pouch of pistachios. On the way back, I made a quick eye contact with former Journal editor Derek Anderson, who was helping a runner’s family decide where to go. “That was the first thing I noticed. It all happened in one second. It was like a livestream that describe other peoples’ condition to the point of no connection, and in turn, left me with one percent battery life. We found Chris Fairrace, former staff writer for the Boston Globe, who I had worked with during the lead-up to the death of Andre Breeheit a year ago. So we were with him when the explosion happened. Standing on the curb with face in phone, marathon route had been divided. For the first time, my phone was just a stream of runners without bibs, and a livestream that describe other peoples’ condition to the point of no connection, and in turn, left me with one percent battery life.

Lola bar on Commonwealth Avenue had become our home for the next hour or so. Journalists from all over, as it was as close as we could get to the scene. We found few power outlets and water. An older, more casual, and that the Globe the photos taken. No luck. Too slow. Devail Patrick and Ed Smith was born from a hotel on the other side of Boylston, and as we watched, shouts attempted to shut up the drunkards raging about 9/11 in the back corner.

There will be no NGA meeting. We encourage everyone to go to Family Reunion. This will be held on 9th floor of 73 Tremen from 12:00pm-2:00pm. Enjoy free food, prizes, and arcade games. You can also stuff and make your own Rammy! Don’t miss this fun event, and enjoy this annual end of the year celebration.

Our weekly meetings are Thursdays in Donahue 311. 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
Dangerous operations must be closed

Alex Hall
Managing Editor

Patriot's Day is supposed to be a day of celebration, of viewing or taking part in a historic running event and maybe catching an early Red Sox game. After the horrific attacks that occurred on Monday, it's hard to do any celebrating, but citizens should feel proud of how their city responded.

Eyewitnesses interviewed from almost every news outlet on Monday commented on how quickly Boston Police, on-scene medical staff and volunteers responded after the bombs detonated. Any injury to come from an attack as cowardly and malicious as what happened Monday is too many but without the efforts of police and others, circumstances could have been much worse.

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The Politics of the Marathon

Monday disaster

Megan Dutra
Asst. Opinion Editor

Yesterday's unfortunate events at the Boston Marathon were horrendous and a threat to America. The explosion caused three deaths and many more injuries to innocent observers of loved ones running across the finish line. The attack challenged many to run to help and the community came together. Although it was a night of mixed emotions, the news coverage and constant unreliable updates on social media were not helpful. Only minutes after initial coverage started, a CNN guest started inaccurately accusing the attack on Al Qaeda and saying it was an international terrorist attack. Even with no evidence to support her claims, the CNN host did nothing to clear the statement as speculation since there was no true evidence of any suspects or causes for the blast. The NY Post also had other numerous false claims on the incident. At one point in time, they reported 12 deaths from the explosion while all other news sources were only claiming two deaths (this later rose to three casualties). Along with the falsely reported death numbers, it also reported elsewhere can come. Of course this was a very frightening and uncomfortable time for the people in the city. We were already scrambling to get a hold of friends and loved ones to make sure they were not hurt in the initial blast and to reach out welcoming hand for those that were affected but because of these unreliable reports, our own safety was uncertain. I fully trust that our Boston Police Department and the FBI have full control of this situation. Our city is probably safer today than it was yesterday and we are all

Ask Kelsie

Dear Kelsie,
I want to start being more organized with my schoolwork. I have four classes that I always lose my notes and work for, and when tests come around I have nothing to study because I usually loose it...

From: Unorganized

Dear Unorganized,
Have you ever tried using one binder/notebook for each class? Some find it hard when they only have one binder/notebook. Also if you only want to use color coded dividers so you know which class is which. Most importantly, you must keep on top of being organized because if you fall behind on putting your notes/handouts into the dividers that's how you lose them. Another idea is to keep clutter to a minimum is try to type your notes so that way you will always have them with the backpack full of papers to study when the tests come around.

Dear Kelsie,
I'm really bad with my money. The minute I get it I spend it. Then two weeks later I'm broke and it's hard for me to pay my bills. How can I save money and not spend it? Should I budget it weekly? And how should I do that?

Sincerely, Broke Girl

Dear Broke Girl,
There are many ways to budget money. First you can start off by putting aside a set amount that you will spend on expenses. The best rule of thumb is to always put half away. Here comes the hard part for many people, you cannot touch this money. If you have to, pretend it doesn't even exist. This way, when you get paid, you have spending money but you can also pay your bills without falling behind on them. Also, be realistic about how much you put away. Even though putting half your paycheck away would be great because then you can also save money, if half of your paycheck is too much to put aside put the bare minimum to get those bills paid. Similarly, I have found it is harder to budget money with a debit card because it is so easy to just swipe away your paycheck. If you have a debit card, try taking out your spending money and leaving your debit card at home so you are not tempted to buy everything you see. Instead cut up all the credit cards that you need. If you only take out the money you have set aside for spending then you will always know how much money you have left before your next paycheck. One of the ways with a debit card is that not everything clears with the bank right away so you may be spending money that is not really in your account. So basically, set a budget and stick to it and you should be golden!

Dear Kelsie,
I'm feeling overwhelmed between working and having a schedule full of highly demanding classes. It seems I just can't catch a break, and I am afraid that I will fall behind on papers and projects. What should I do?

Sincerely, Falling Behind

Dear Falling Behind,
Many times, the key to keep up with all your day to day activities is to stay organized. You could use an appointment agenda or even the calendar in your phone to keep track of all your important dates that things for classes are due. If this doesn't work, maybe try registering for fewer classes in the fall or maybe working less. Don't get me wrong I know you may have to work to pay bills and those sorts of things but for example, I only take 12 credits a semester, including summer, because I also work 20 hours a week. If you don't want to cut down on your classes or work hours maybe try registering for some easy classes with one hard class. Many times there are other options for classes instead of many demanding classes at once. So, if you can stay organized with your calendar and time on the demanding classes you should find yourself staying ahead of the game.

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Amendola shows charity after explosions

The New England Patriots welcomed new wide receiver Danny Amendola to the organization this off-season, and in the light of tragedy is offering a very generous offer. In the wake of the tragedy at the Boston Marathon, Amendola made a promise on Twitter; "I will donate $100 for every pass I catch next season to whatever 'Boston Marathon Relief Fund' there is." The offer is very generous and Amendola is now putting pressure on himself to have a productive season, but also pressure on him personally to not drop passes or it is even more money out of his pocket. It is a win-win situation, but at the same time Patriots fans probably don't want him to drop any passes seeing that was the one negative about former Patriots receiver Wes Welker. Still, Amendola didn't have to donate anything, so it shows that the new Patriots receiver is already feeling love for Massachusetts.

Bruins to "play their hearts out" for Boston

It was back to work for the Boston Bruins, a day after the horrifying events at the Boston Marathon. The Bruins game against the Ottawa Senators was postponed, but they continued with practices on Tuesday. "We all know it was a very sad day and emotional around the city for everybody," captain Zdeno Chara said to the press. "We just have to support each other. We can all play for each other, and during these tough times, maybe help people cheer. With the way we play, we can show the support." Bruins coach Claude Julien said that the Bruins would "play their hearts out" for the rest of the season. An emotional week for the Bruins has obviously brought the mood down to Earth, but will motivate them to keep working and playing hard for the city they are representing.

Rivers: "This city has an amazing amount of spirit"

Like the rest of the city, the Boston Celtics have been struck emotionally by tragedy this past Monday. The Celtics' game was canceled against the Indiana Pacers this Tuesday, but no one is truly worried about a game at the moment. At practice on Tuesday, Rivers addressed the media about the sadness and tragedy of the explosions on Monday, but also mentioned the true soul that the city had. "The city has responded," said Rivers to the press. "The city it was awesome, watching people help people. I'm driving and I can see people helping people walk, helping go to the right places. This city has an amazing amount of spirit and I think that showed last night. And today still."
**Red Sox Hope to Keep Building on Hot Start, Strong Pitching**

Roy Ben-Joseph
Journal Staff

The most popular question in the baseball world over the last couple of weeks is whether the Boston Red Sox are legitimate contenders. The start to the 2013 Red Sox season couldn’t be more successful. The club has not only won nine of its first 13 games, but also posted some encouraging numbers in the area the team has been struggling for years: pitching. While the Red Sox used to lead the majors in many offensive categories, including scoring in 2011, expect it to go down as Adrian Gonzalez, who was a main RBI figure in the lineup, got traded to the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Fans may also keep in mind that the Red Sox are days away from getting their best slugger in David Ortiz back. But scoring is not the reason for the excitement around the 2013 Red Sox. For the past two seasons the Red Sox have struggled in the pitching category, posting an ERA over four in both 2011 and 2012. It was very frustrating to see an offense putting 5.7 runs per game and still losing during 2011 and 2012.

Through 13 games in 2013, the Red Sox pitching has been nothing but outstanding. The team total ERA (Earned Run Average) is 2.69, the lowest in the American League. The Red Sox starting pitchers have posted a combined ERA of 1.99, the lowest in baseball. Jon Lester is 2-0 with a 1.50 ERA, Clay Buchholz is 3-0 with a 0.41 ERA (tied for lowest in the ninth, especially in save situations. On paper, the Red Sox have a top three bullpen in the MLB. Not many teams have the pleasure of having two natural closers as relievers. Joel Hanrahan, who was acquired from Pittsburgh in the off-season, is the official team closer. Andrew Bailey, the former Oakland Athletics closer is assigned to the eighth.

Red Sox pitching leads the league in the American League. The team total ERA (Earned Run Average) is 2.69, the lowest in baseball among qualifiers. Ryan Dempster is 0-1 due to the lack of run support and the rainout against Baltimore that gave him his first of two no decisions, but his ERA is very solid standing at 2.69. Red Sox pitching leads the majors in strikeouts as well as in opponent batting average, standing at only .212.

While the team’s top three starters have already proved that they are pitching well, it has yet to be determined what high pitch count. John Lackey missed the entire 2012 as a result of Tommy John Surgery he underwent following the 2011 season. If the Red Sox would be able to get from him the same solid production he had with the Los Angeles Angels, then we are talking about a Red Sox team that has one of the most intimidating rotations in the league. The Red Sox bullpen has been solid in early innings and the Red Sox will have an all-around elite pitching stuff.

It is impossible to talk about the 9-4 start without mentioning John Farrell. The former Red Sox pitching coach, who has returned as manager, has a huge influence on Buchholz and especially on Lester who won the 2007 World Series with the Red Sox while Farrell was the pitching coach. Both Lester and Buchholz had a huge down year in 2012, both posting an ERA over four, which is high and above their career average. It was believed that while both had their best years when Farrell was their pitching coach, the return of the former would put them back on track.

So far they have done nothing but prove it all right through three starts each. On Sunday, Clay Buchholz took a no hitter into the eighth inning where it was broken on a broken-bat single by Kelly Johnson. The Sox have a top three pitcher in the league who currently rank first in the majors. Red Sox pitching has been ranked first in the majors since 2010. Red Sox pitching had a 0.96 ERA against the Rays, and it was only due to solid pitching that the Red Sox were able to finally complete this sweep against arguably the best pitching team since 2010. If Farrell would be able to maintain the solid pitching performances, then expect the Red Sox, who currently rank first in their division, to go deep in 2013.

Men’s Tennis Looking to Rebound into Postseason Down the Final Stretch

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The Suffolk Men’s tennis team has not been at the top of its game this season, but the Rams are not finished yet. They still appear to be confident heading into the final games of the season with a 3-5 record. The Rams have had some close matches throughout the season, and continue to struggle on the road with a 1-4 record. Their most recent loss, and only home loss, was a 7-1 defeat to Johnson & Wales.

The Rams still have a chance to change the history of men’s tennis here at Suffolk,” said Vasilij Stroganov, junior tennis player for the Rams. “The playoffs are coming up very soon and we only have three games left of the regular season. The playoffs are just two games, a semifinal and a final. Our goal is to first win the semifinal which would be against either Johnson & Wales or Norwich. After we win that game our goal is to beat Emerson in the final for the third year in a row. A fifth consecutive GNAC title is our goal. If this happens we will go to play a team from New Jersey for the spot in the national NCAA Division III tournament. This would be the first time that the Suffolk University men’s tennis team goes to the NCAA. That is our ultimate goal, to change the history of men’s tennis at Suffolk.”

The Rams are currently in third place in the GNAC conference standings, and look like they will stay in this position going into the post season.

Ryan Chevalier, sophomore, got to see his first bit of action this week with the Rams being short on numbers.

“As a sophomore, I knew I was going into this season that I knew I would get more playing time and would need to step up my game,” said Chevalier. “Freshman year, I was just starting out and we had such a great team that I was only needed for two matches. I am getting more playing time this year, but haven’t had the winning results I’ve wanted. Overall, the feel of this season has been more frustrating than last, but each guy knows the work ethic and focus we need to win and get our fifth GNAC championship.

The Rams will go on to face Boston University April 17th at 3:00 pm. Boston is the first of three road matches for the Rams, which also happen to be the final three games of the regular season.

“There is a blend here where the Rams are just going to be extremely tough,” said Stroganov. Last year we lost 7-2 and the year before that we lost 6-3. I think we can compete with them if we stay focused during the matches and play this match like it was a usual one. I don’t believe in statistics and I think that they can only show some pattern but not the whole truth. On the red team there are a lot more better players, but that is not necessarily true on the court and we have to show that we can happen and we should not be afraid of them.”

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The Sporting World Reacts to Boston Marathon Tragedy

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The events that happened at the Boston Marathon this Monday were horrific. Not only the city of Boston, but the entire nation was hit with a shocking blow each time the news replayed the video of the bombs going off. In troubled times like these, it is always heartwarming and inspiring to see how different communities band together and become one. Two soldiers, after helping to rescue people from the debris and chaotic aftermath of the explosion, ran all the way to Mohegan Sun to immediately donate blood. Thousands of Bostonians turned out on Tuesday to donate blood of their own. At Suffolk University's blood drive, appointments were booked up for the day by 11:30 a.m. and were not accepting walk-ins by 1 p.m. due to the amount of students already donating.

Despite being a diverse, often fractured community, barriers immediately disappear during times of crisis. This is also true of the sports world. Usually divided by cities, states, or nations in constant competition, the sporting world came together almost immediately to help pull its brothers and sisters in Boston through these hard times.

In Chicago, the Tribune ran a full-length, half-page ad on the front page of the sports section stating “We are Chicago Red Sox. We are Chicago Celtics. We are Chicago Bruins. We are Chicago Revolution...” followed by a heartfelt message of support to the people of Boston.

Sports Illustrated posted its cover for this week’s issue, which is the iconic photo of Boston Police Officers helping a marathon runner to his feet shortly after the blast.

Around the major sports league’s currently in session, teams paid their respects and support for the Boston community. Stadiums from Montreal to Anaheim held a moment of silence before their games to honor the victims and their families. At Yankee Stadium on Tuesday, the Red Sox’ biggest rival had a moment of silence before playing the Diamondbacks and then played Neil Diamond’s “Sweet Caroline” in between the third and fourth innings out of respect to Boston. The Braves, Athletics, Marlins, and Cubs also played the Penway Park favorite during their games the same night. Players from Boston and just about everywhere else took to Twitter, expressing support and solidarity for the Boston community. Sports figures from Muhammad Ali to Chad Ochocinco to Jeremy Shockey expressed grief and support via Twitter. New arrival to the Patriots Danny Amendola has promised to donate $100 for every catch and $200 for every drop he makes next season to a Marathon victim charity.

Boston Strong.

Perhaps the most inspiring tweet came from Red Sox third baseman Will Middlebrooks when he posted “I can't wait to put on my jersey today... I get to play for the strongest city out there. #BostonStrong.”

In one tweet, Middlebrooks expressed the sentiment of a whole city. Bostonians have arisen from this tragedy strong, resilient, and more proud of their city than ever.

It might sound silly, but sports have helped Americans through crisis before, and will do so again for the city of Boston in 2013 and beyond. Sports have an oxy-moronic effect in these kinds of situations. They represent an escape from reality, the couple hours of the day where we can sit back, crack a cold one, watch a game with some friends and forget about our troubles. But that escape is also a return to normalcy, to the reality of the world prior to this tragedy. The world of sport is one of ritual and traditions, virtues that provide us with security in an uncertain world.

The sports world is indeed divided by cities, but in these kinds of situations, differences were put aside, and old rivalries were put aside, retired and current players reached out in support of the city and fans from all over have banded together. The best visual representation of this was this beautiful cartoon done by The New Yorker in which a Yankee fan and his daughter are walking wearing their team's bat, with Red Sox logos on their shirts. The quote from the father is “Yes we like the Yankees, but today we are all rooting for Boston.”

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"A LIFETIME AT SUFFOLK"
Suffolk Athletic Director Nelson to retire after 46 years

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After 46 years working within Suffolk University, longtime athletic director Jim Nelson will retire at the end of the 2013 spring semester. Nelson announced the news on April 10 at the Student Government Awards upon receiving the lifetime achievement award.

"I've given serious consideration the last several years and made the decision back in September. President McCarthy came [last year] and said I felt it was not appropriate to leave until I knew him and shared the uniqueness of the program and told him I would stay at least a year," said Nelson regarding the decision.

The Boston College graduate began his time at Suffolk in 1966 when he was named assistant director of athletics and assistant basketball coach.

"When I first got to Suffolk, it was just one building and was largely a commuter school. We only had the Archer building, and the Donahue building opened up my first year," Nelson said.

After nine years at the university, the former college basketball player was named athletic director and head men's basketball coach in 1975. Nelson served as head coach and athletic director simultaneously until 1995, when he hung up his coaching whistle and focused solely on his other role with Suffolk.

"As a coach, you are first and foremost a teacher. That was the aspect I enjoyed most during coaching. Each day in practice I would be teaching the fundamentals of the game but also civility, discipline and commitment, loyalty and sacrifice. To be successful, you will need to sacrifice a great deal to time commitment."

Considering Nelson's many contributions to the university, it's safe to say there are few better to teach the value of sacrificing time for a great cause.

Up until 1991, Suffolk athletics were played largely at the Cambridge YMCA where Nelson spent plenty of time during his first decade and a half as head coach and athletic director. The Cambridge native recalls many days spent at his hometown YMCA where he was fortunate to have student athletes who had a similar commitment and love of sport and respected quality," as he saw during his time as a player for the Eagles.

Thales to the help of former university president Daniel Pearman, Nelson and others, Suffolk opened the doors to its first athletic facility ever, the Ridgeway Gym in '91. Nelson remembers encouraging the former president and other Suffolk high ups for years about how a gym would be a help for his department and the school as a whole.

"It's something that has given us enormous benefits. It's allowed the basketball and volleyball teams facilities to play games and practice and students to come and cheer those teams that are made of their friends, classmates or roommates. It doesn't take many to have a sellout at Ridgeway and our teams have been able to play in front of big crowds. Ridgeway also gave me my first and last office!"

With the Ridgeway building as a whole currently on the market, Nelson explained that the goal for Suffolk is to have another athletic facility with enhanced resources sometime in the future.

In addition to his work bringing the school its first ever athletic facility, Nelson helped Suffolk sports become a full-time member of the Great Northeast Athletic Conference during the 1999-2000 school year. Since becoming members of the GNAC, the university has won a combined 11 conference championships and qualified for eight NCAA tournaments.

Nelson helped shape Suffolk athletics into what it is today, but he didn't accomplish these goals by locking his office doors and diving into paperwork.

"Coach Nelson is the Mayor of Suffolk," said Suffolk basketball coach Cary McConnell in a press release given to the Journal. "He knows everyone's name and when he stops and talks with you, he really cares about what's going on in your life."

Suffolk athletic trainer Jim Stone was given his current title with the school from Nelson in 2005. Stone explained that Nelson remembered him from his days in the 1970s as a trainer for high schools and colleges, tapping up his players at away games.

"Guys like him are hard to find. He has a cache of trust and a solid reputation. He's legendary. Suffolk's version of New Hampshire's Old Man in the Mountain... he's universally admired," said Stone.

Nelson has seen and been an integral part in Suffolk's growth from a small, largely male-populated commuter school into a university with three dorm rooms, a gymnasium and a campus on Beacon Hill.

"I'm immensely proud of my association with Suffolk. I've always said I had a great four years at Boston College but I've had a lifetime at Suffolk. Three of my five children hold degrees from here and that speaks to the level of education here. Suffolk has allowed me to travel extensively to represent its interests on both a national and international scale and I am truly grateful," said Nelson.

"Since I've made my decision, every day has been a closing event for me and there's been great nostalgia in each of those. I will miss it 100 percent... I was struck by the comment Tom Menino said in his retirement speech when he said I'm leaving the job that I love, because I'm leaving the job that I love. Health-wise, I am thankful for the good health I have been blessed with and I could go for 50 years but this is the time."

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"I hope they will bring their own experiences but will also capitalize on the goodwill that we've accomplished with Boston, sister institutions and surrounding cities and towns that have allowed us to present a competitive athletic program." Should that new athletic director want to get to know the person who paved the way for them however, Nelson hopes to not be too removed from the Suffolk campus in the years to come.

"I hope to continue teaching my history of sports in the Olympic Games course and will be active in alumni activities," said Nelson.