Andrade's legacy honored

Respected NESAD professor, artist, and sculptor influenced students beyond the classroom

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Suffolk experienced a profound loss this week as a New England School of Art and Design professor and admired colleague was killed in a traffic accident on his way home from work, according to Suffolk officials.

Paul Andrade, instructor and woodshop manager, received his Bachelor of Fine Arts from Rhode Island School of Arts and Master of Fine Arts from Rutgers University. Andrade's recent work was featured at Kingston Gallery, an artist-run expo in Boston's SoWa area that showcases work by emerging, mid-career, and mature artists.

President Margaret McKenna sent an email to students after hearing the news of his death.

"Paul taught foundation drawing, so he played an important role in introducing students to the university and to visual exploration. He also taught three-dimensional design and managed NESAD's woodshop. And, as an artist in his own right, Paul exhibited in and around Boston," McKenna wrote.

Sandro Corella, a NESAD interior design lecturer, considered Andrade as a close colleague.

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Innovative ideas from potential senators

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It was a real show of democracy when students running for Student Government Association senators in this fall's upcoming election gathered to push their views to make the university a more student-friendly place.

All candidates were asked to answer one question: If elected, what would be the first thing you would want to accomplish as an SGA senator?

"If I'm elected into SGA, the first action I hope to take is to use social media to get freshmen and all students more involved with SGA's doings," said freshman Kally Morse. She said using social media to explain new university policies and highlight events that SGA is sponsoring would more effectively reach students.

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Many fondly remember Andrade on campus

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often with a new discovery," said Corella.

Junior William Barry, graphic design major, recalled a moment he shared with Andrade in his Foundation Drawing I class.

"I wasn't really good at drawing from live observation," he said. "Andrade always found something to latch onto that definitely helped out with my confidence. Now I am a graphic design major and drawing is a crucial part of that. He was definitely one of the most memorable teachers I've ever had."

Inexperience like Barry's in an entry-level course typically may cause stress for an art student. However, Andrade helped Barry remember the importance of finding humor in everything one does.

"He came over and kind of stood there for 30 seconds or so and assessed [my drawing] with squinty eyes," he said. "This definitely looks like something Picasso would draw." He understood that not everyone's spot on every day with drawing and we had a laugh about it and continued on with the day."

"That's my favorite memory of him," Barry concluded.

The university will hold a remembrance ceremony, although no plans have been communicated yet, according to a university official.

"There's a huge hole right now [in NESAD]," said Martin. "This person that has helped everyone is gone, and it's heartbreaking."

It is obvious that there was a definite personal connection between Andrade and his students that went beyond the classroom. He will be sincerely missed by the Suffolk community.

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-- Paul Andrade on his teaching philosophy

Success for first PC event on Roemer Plaza

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On a typical weekday Roemer Plaza is swarmed with students and teachers, but on Wednesday, the plaza was transformed into a roller skating rink courtesy of Program Council.

Led by PC's Entertainment Chair, junior Peter Firek, beginners and seasoned pros alike laced onto the rink for a night of fun with friends, many sweating by the end of the evening.

Although the event ran between 5 and 7 p.m., students came and went throughout the night. Senior Associate Dean of Students Ann Coyne also came out to enjoy some skating.

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new friends and hang out with old ones," said Brandon Simas said he related to Burke. "It was a good way for the community to get together and get to know one another," he said.

20 Somerset's plaza offers a great addition to Suffolk University to create more of a community for the students and faculty. Many students felt as if Suffolk had not had much of a community hang-out spot until this fall, and it is widely agreed that 20 Somerset and Roemer Plaza finally give Suffolk a nice place to relax, work, and have fun with friends.

"It feels like Suffolk University has a community for the first time ever," Burke said. Simas said that utilizing Roemer Plaza is a step in the right direction for Suffolk.

"It is a good strategy for community engagement, which will build loyalty and keep up retention rates, which will do well for the university in the long run," he said.

Simas said he now wants to come to the plaza more throughout the year. "I plan to spend time here between classes and enjoy lunch," he said.

Burke said he has already taken advantage of these opportunities. "I love reading and hanging out here before class," he said.

He also took note of the view from Roemer Plaza.

"It is fantastic, and the plaza is very nice to look at walking by," he said.

Program Council has plans for more events, and will hopefully take advantage of Roemer Plaza and 20 Somerset more throughout the rest of the year.

(Left to right) Senior Courtney Colaluca, junior Brooke Waugh, Dean Ann Coyne, and Assistant Director of SLI Alex Paterson linked arms and took a spin around the rink.
In 2005, junior Alex Bennett, an entrepreneurship major at Suffolk was given a sack of drinking straws made if straw by his mother in Germany, where his family lives. These naturally grown straws caught his eye, and over the next 10 years he thought about drinking straws for an unreasonable amount of time.

Bennett said he noticed that though it was a product with potential, it lacked the right target market. So he developed a consumer market — mixology and sustainability — and formed a partnership with his mother to start producing the straws in the United States.

Bennett eventually launched Straw Straws, the natural drinking straw company, and currently has four farms in Maine where drinking straws are produced. He shared that he works with several researchers at the University of Maine and Rusted Rooster Farms.

The success of Straw Straws is essential to reducing the 500 million plastic straws used by Americans each year, which, according to ecosyste.org, can fill 127 school buses each day.

Currently, there are other reusable, biodegradable, and environmentally-friendly options like metal straws, bamboo straws, and paper straws, but Bennett asserts that the naturally grown straw is the best option.

"Reusable drinking straws of all types are available and certainly, if utilized, would reduce waste. However, they are very challenging to clean, which can pose an insurmountable flaw when used by some potential customers," he said.

"Most notably, restaurants and bars cannot handle the extra work and attention to detail of cleaning them."

During the summer, Bennett and what he calls the "Straw Team," who consists mainly of Suffolk students, worked very hard to promote his green start-up. He said the team met every Tuesday to discuss plans to promote the company and succeeded in getting the Straw Straws kickster funded, raising $13,953.

Bennett spoke very proudly about his team.

"All of the people working with me are amazing. We all learned a lot together and the amount of deliverables that the team produced was impressive," he said.

Reflecting on their internship with Straw Straws, the Straw Team emphasized that it is a good experience considering the amount of work that goes into start-ups and what is needed to make it successful.

Simon Han, a senior at Suffolk studying sports marketing with a minor in ISOM, said he gets "hands-on experience" and learns "about how a start-up starts and grows."

Celia Mitchell, a graduate of UMass Boston and the Straw Science Director, also added that, "working with people of completely different educational backgrounds has been great because I have been able to see how our different studies compliment each other and how being a part of such a diverse team is what makes the company."

"From the start of the internship, I felt like I belonged there and learned to embrace, develop, and apply my abilities in a team setting," she said.

Ivan Lanz, a Suffolk senior and street photographer, said he enjoyed "being a part of a start-up that has so much potential."

The Straw Team also improved their professional skills through an organizational development director working for Bennett. They received expert tips in planning their career path during and after college. According to Mitchell, her "communication skills have become more developed" and she has "been able to learn more about market research" and broaden her "science research skills."

Bennett is also appreciative of the support Straw Straws has received from the Suffolk entrepreneurship department with many professors advising the direction in which the company should take.

Bennett said Straw Straws has faced and continues to face challenges as the company grows. Nevertheless, Bennett vows "to meet upcoming challenges" with ardor and "fight for sustainable sipping."

He said his leadership style was influenced by the enlistment he recently completed in the Marine Corps, receiving an honorable discharge after two years as a sergeant.

Bennett emphasized his passion for making Straw Straws a success and said he "will not stop pursuing it. His advice to other students who have similar dreams and aspirations is to put the company before you."

"A company is not about you but the product, the customers, and the time you put into it. In order to succeed, one has to be selfless in the start-up process."
Candidates voice their thoughts

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Freshman Logistics Trupiano agreed, and said that the use of social media, such as Facebook pages, is a more efficient way to communicate with students.

Freshman Morgan Robb would like to push for students' ability to eat at any dining hall on campus, saying that in Boston the climate and location helped her in the career world because she was able to network easily in the downtown area. She believes, however, that her degree major weren't very important to employers during her job hunt. According to Gentile, English majors and Greek literature majors held the position before her.

"The company cared more about my experience in the field at my internship than they did my time at school," she said.

She also said she would have loved to start interning earlier. "I waited until my second semester senior year," she said. "It worked out, but I would have learned even more if I started earlier.

"Don't be afraid to not have that on your resume," she said. "I know as a freshman in high school that I wanted to do PR, but I'm not really doing that right now. I don't even know if I want to do PR at a firm.

For success, she recommends attending recruiting events held both on campus and around the city.

"Don't be afraid to talk to people and ask them how they got to where they are now," she said. "Normally, it's not a straight path."
If you want to learn more about the global business environment and international trade strategies of different countries, International Business Club is the perfect place to go.

Three years ago, freshman Erin Beardsley joined the IBC, hoping to gain a better knowledge surrounding different business cultures. “This club is about bringing together groups of students who are interested in cultural diversity,” said Beardsley.

“It’s business-based, but certainly not secluded to just international business,” and we encourage students from other fields of study to join,” she said.

Beardsley is a senior at Suffolk, current president of IBC and hopes to spread further knowledge amongst international business students, both conceptually and practically.

The focus for this year will include putting together more company tours, hosting different guest speakers, and having trivia nights. “Our goals for this semester include having five guest speakers come in to talk about global business, maybe specifically people who have worked in Boston and internationally,” said Beardsley.

Most recently, the club welcomed its new executive board members joining. Other members include junior Brittany Dervan, who is in charge of the marketing and communications services, as well as junior Sandra Valer, who also manages communications and marketing. Senior Nate Giordano serves as the current Vice President of the club, while Senior Laurel Chasse serves as the secretary and treasurer, and Senior Yamilet Gutierrez is the financial planner.

In the past, the club has hosted a multitude of events featuring Sam Adams Brewery, Google, Taza’s Chocolate Factory, Business Etiquette and Bikes Not Bombs, all of which they hope to work with again. The Business Etiquette event was really interesting,” said Beardsley. “We had a woman come in to talk to us about what kind of forks to use, what sizes, and which hand to use.

“All cultures differ, so the business etiquette event was definitely an important reminder that what many may major in one country may not be the case in another,” added Dervan.

Furthermore, the club is in the process of undergoing several changes. “When I joined my freshman year, I started off as just a member, then sophomore year, I became part of the executive board and managed all the communications,” Beardsley explained. “By junior year, I got more involved and did note-taking for every speaker event, just to provide a synopsis. Then, by the time I became President, we also teamed up with Entrepreneurship Club just to encourage more people to get involved and held a couple of events together featuring companies like Samurai Investments and Veolia Transport. We still work with Entrepreneurship Club today and plan on hosting a couple of events together, in addition to possibly partnering with Women in Business.

Every year, Suffolk University welcomes students of various backgrounds and cultures. A large sum of these students are also in the Sawyer Business School, but aren’t aware of the IBC. The club’s main purpose is to provide the opportunity to meet other students who want to learn more about the business environment and have the chance to work with professionals. It’s a great way to network, as well as receive hands-on experience.

“When I was a freshman, I was able to meet someone who was doing something I wanted to do when I was older,” said Beardsley. “I thought it was really cool, just to shake their hand and get a first introduction to how life is outside of college, and working in a professional setting.”

Beardsley also recalled a professional opportunity she received through the IBC. “I got one of my first internships through IBC, just from networking with specific people. It’s nice just to have another way to get internships and help people branch out, maybe find a job for right now or after college.”

Dervan’s father will be a guest speaker, talking about his experience in the international business world, and his work for SAP, a multifunctional software company with existing offices in 130 countries.

“I’m really excited for this year and all the opportunities we’ll have,” said Dervan.

International Business Club meets Tuesdays at 1 p.m. The first meeting date will be Oct. 6, location to be determined.

Opinion: How millions are living in fear

If they knew I was talking to you, I’d be killed,” said Mohamed to BBC. It’s a chilling quote on the reality of how millions of people in the Middle East are living their lives constantly in fear. I cannot say I know what this feels like because I have rarely felt fear. It is astonishing to know that people out there live their lives in such conditions. Islamic State is one of the many groups that need to be stopped for its cruelty towards mankind.

It is an extremist terrorist group that has been terrorizing Syria, Iraq, and other parts of the Middle East for years but have grown stronger since. The rule of IS is basically a dictatorship due to the fact they censor everything and control everything they can. “We only have two hours of electricity per day,” said Mohamed. It is almost impossible to imagine not having the use of electricity at your fingertips.

Ultimately, terrorist groups like IS are in these places, like Syria and Iraq, to control and strike fear into the population so their idea will be accepted by everyone. These groups are ruthless. “When you look at the faces of our citizens, they have fear in their eyes,” said Mohamed. People live in fear of the government, or leaders who are supposed to protect them.

But migration is not always successful due to the amount of people trying to leave the control of IS. Mohamed is one of the unlucky ones who will have to be sent back to Raqqa, the so-called capital of Islamic State.

“There, I will live like I have a clamp to my throat - but at least I’ll have my family,” said Mohamed. He showed that even after all this cruelty, to him and his people, he can find something to look forward to in the future.
International student struggles:
The trouble with English

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There’s no denying the ever-changing slang of the English language. As an international student, it’s hard to prepare for such things.

“Hey guys, what the hell is that?” Carlos Cruz, Physics major, said laughingly. Cruz is no way the only one who misunderstands the local lingo of Boston.

Bandar Almohsen, computer science major, still struggles with the differences of speaking with professors than to his peers.

“I feel like professors treat you differently if you can’t speak the language as well,” he said.

“They actually try to understand you more,” said Almohsen.

Raised in Saudi Arabia, Almohsen grew up hearing about the tales of freedom and opportunity in the United States. When he became an adult, these childhood fantasies became a reality when he arrived at Suffolk.

When Almohsen was in first grade, he had a nanny that would speak to him in Arabic.

“Growing up hearing English and Arabic, it’s more about getting you used to the idea of learning a second language,” he said. “Which is completely different language than what I learned.”

“They were kind of free to do what they wanted,” Almohsen says about his EF professors.

“We would learn about drugs and even analyze rap music,” he said.

Almohsen’s English education was much different from Cruz’s, however.

“Talking to students was definitely easier. You have to learn how to talk to professors,” he said.

Almohsen explained that in Arabic, it’s more about getting your idea out there rather than perfect sentence structure or grammar.

This aspect of language plays into his difficulty with English.

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Almohsen agrees that it is difficult to learn; they both agree, however; their English has improved tremendously since they moved here. Living in the dorms and being surrounded by English-speaking people really makes an impact.

“When I lived in 150 [Tremont], I was actually thinking in English at one point,” said Cruz.

Almohsen says that it is definitely difficult getting used to the environment and the language for the first year. An entirely new culture and language can be nearly impossible to adapt to and can really take a toll on someone.

As different as their teachings of English were, they do, however, agree on their feelings of one thing: the word “wicked.”

“Wicked is just weird. I always thought it meant something bad. No, I never say wicked,” said Almohsen.

Opinion: Is ‘defeat device’ a problem for corporate culture?

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The recent scandal involving the German carmaker Volkswagen has far-reaching consequences for the environment. It sets a precedent not unlike the one set by BP in the aftermath of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

BP had caused catastrophic damage to many ecosystems, yet they were allowed to recover with little more than a stain on their brand.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) revealed that Volkswagen installed software in vehicles with an "EA 189" diesel engine that would cheat emissions tests. Most American cars run on gas fuel, but many cars around the world run on diesel fuel. While diesel engines are more efficient than gas engines, they often produce more harmful byproducts. When the car was undergoing tests, the device would alter the engine’s performance so that it appeared to give off far fewer byproducts than it actually does.

We’re seeing a dangerous trend in corporate culture; them portraying it as okay to destroy this planet if the outcome is cheaper production and higher profits. It’s one thing for a company to seek these things out, and it’s necessary for the health of any company. But to do it at the cost of our well-being and the health of our planet is another thing.

Rupert Neste, shortlisted for reporter of the year at the 2012 British Press Awards, quoted a statement to The Guardian from the EPA.

"During normal operation, the vehicle would emit nitrogen oxides, or NOx, at up to 40 times the standard," said Neste. These nitrogen oxides are the harmful byproducts that diesel engines produce. "For violating the Clean Air Act is $37,500 per vehicle, which puts a bill as high as $18 billion on the desk of Volkswagen's accounting supervisor.

"Volkswagen lost 23 percent of its market value after admitting to their use of a cheat device."

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I won’t even address the implications of him knowing about the existence of a “defeat device.” I’ll assume that he would’ve been outraged if that memo crossed his desk.

The fact that it was developed and used so extensively in the organization he managed deemed it his responsibility. He shouldn’t have blamed the "terrible mistakes" on a "few people" and stood his ground.

We’re talking about some small blunder that caused a loss for shareholders—we’re talking about a serious scandal that reveals serious damage being done to our environment.

Not only did it cause heavy financial damage to Volkswagen Group, but it reveals that they’ve been polluting our environment for years without public knowledge.

This isn’t just a problem for the future of Volkswagen. We’ve seen how BP managed to remain in existence after the Deepwater Horizon catastrophe, without suffering nearly as heavy of a financial loss as they ought to have suffered. History makes it clear that influential corporate entities can destroy our environment for the sake of gain and get away with it. They suffer great financial setbacks as a result, but they recover and remain in business.
Depp’s depiction of Bulger humanizes mob boss

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The romance film of the year may just be Black Mass. The film is based off the book of the same name, written by former Boston Globe reporters Dick Lehr and Gerard O’Neill, and is the true story of Bulger’s 1975 Winter Hill Gang in South Boston. James “Whitey” Bulger, played by a heavily disguised Johnny Depp, owes his hold on power to his childhood friend, John Connolly (Joel Edgerton) of the FBI, who makes a deal to protect Bulger in exchange for information on Boston’s notorious Italian mafia.

Originally a term for a ceremony of devil worship, “black mass” is now a metaphor for the “unholy union between the FBI and Whitey Bulget”, according to the book’s secondary title. While issues of morals or Christianity are nonexistent in the film, the relationship between Bulger and the FBI is the headlining romance. The film paints a full picture of Bulger that humanizes him more than just a criminal. As a result, many Boston locals who saw South Boston under Whitey firsthand, some who even knew of his victims, may have an understandably hard time seeing him as more than the criminal and murderer he was. In my opinion, Bulger was anything but glorified. With fine hair, yellow teeth, and a townie lifestyle, his character was realistic and unglamorous.

The film’s praise mainly stems from the brilliant performances by Depp, as Bulger himself, Edgerton as John Connolly, and Julianne Nicholson as Connolly’s wife Marianne. Depp’s praiseworthy performance and capability to smile with cold, hard eyes, provides creepiness that was perfect for the part and sets the stage for the entire serious, sober film. In contrast, Edgerton and Nicholson’s performances are really the only source of emotion and drama in the film, which, I’m hoping, earns them Oscar’s for supporting roles. The depiction of life in Boston in the 1970s-80s was a character in itself. Clothing, hair, cars, sunglasses, and, of course, the Boston accents, were the meat to the historical and cultural richness of the film, even if comically exaggerated.

Scott Cooper’s directing was particularly well done, as he shows Bulger’s pose describe and give commentary on Bulger, John Connolly, the murders and the events that transpired on Bulger’s climb to notoriety that they saw first hand to the police in exchange for lighter sentences. He weaves these interrogations throughout the film nicely, again creating a very informative rather than gripping film. The entire film was shot in dull, dark tones that leave a rough, unclean feeling resonating with the audience. Many of the shots were impressive, and the lack of a real climactic moment leaves an nerves that just hands you the facts cold turkey. Though the film was well done and the story was interesting, in my opinion it was not outstanding and missed the mark at times. Unlike most gangster or mafia movies that are action-packed and wildly entertaining, Black Mass falls flat and feels more like a really great documentary than a movie. Dick Lehr, the book’s author, only hoped that the film would accurately show the relationship between the FBI and Bulger, and was pleased at the end result.

As long as you’re not expecting this generation’s version of The Godfather, Black Mass is a film to see, especially if you’re from Boston. It’s great that the film would accurately show the relationship between the FBI and Bulger, and was pleased at the end result. And as you’re not expecting this generation’s version of The Godfather, Black Mass is a film to see, especially if you’re from Boston. It’s great acting, riveting true story, and entertaining ‘period’ portrayal make the film a must see if you’re preparing for the Oscar’s. Maybe even just to learn about the notorious gangster who used the system to keep his standing and a romance that is celebrated with conviction.

Andrade leaves his legacy behind through art

Paul Andrade’s “String Theories” and “Complementary Colors” reflect his self expression and imagination.
App finds discounted movie tickets, concessions

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Four grown men, one Toyota van, and over 135,000 miles traveled across country. That's what it took to convince hundreds of movie theatres to sign with Dealflicks, an app that finds discounted movie tickets and concessions based on the user's location.

After taking his seat in a theatre showing, "The King's Speech," co-founder Sean Wycliffe was confused as to why there were so many empty seats for a recently released film. When Wycliffe found that $40 billion dollars is spent every year on movie tickets, popcorn, and soda, but 88% of movie theater seats are empty, a business model came to mind similar to those used by Hotwire and Expedia.

In July 2012, Dealflicks set out to fill empty seats in movie theatres; without forcing the theatre into a set discount. Since then, it has partnered with about 600 theatres across the country with over 300,000 current subscribers.

“We are not like Groupon, and at the end of the day we aren’t telling them to sell a ticket and popcorn at 35 percent off,” said co-founder Ryan Fitzgerald, explaining that it is the theatre who decides the discount based on its time and day of the week. Typically, Dealflicks finds movie tickets and concessions for around forty percent off face value, Fitzgerald shared. "What we found is that by pairing a ticket with concession drives consumers to buy more concessions at full price," said Fitzgerald. Giving customers a good deal while increasing sales for theatres has motivated others to join the bandwagon. Through their revenue share model, there is no ongoing cost or fee to theatres who participate with Dealflicks, yet the company still obtains a percentage of every ticket sold. When making deals within an industry that has not seen significant changes over the span of its history, the start up company needed to differentiate itself. "Historically, there’s only been three major changes: silent film to sound, black and white to color, and 35mm to digital. Whenever an outside company introduces any kind of change, it shakes things up because theatres have been following the same model for decades," said Fitzgerald. By creating a mutual understanding between theatres and Dealflicks, this is how we get new customers put their butts in those seats, he said. The app is constantly improving itself internally on a regular basis to keep competitive advantage by observing consumer behavior, Fitzgerald said. In a world with ever changing technologies it is important to also make the app appealing to older demographics. Users can also find tickets at Dealflicks.com, like them on Facebook, and follow @Dealflicks on Twitter. Courtesy of Dealflicks. Any first time users can receive an additional $5 off their first purchase by entering "SUFFDF5" at the checkout page, and is valid until the end of this year.

Blood moon beams light on Boston Calling stage

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Journal Contributor

Waves of people drifted to the center stages at the City Hall Plaza this past weekend for the 6th Boston Calling Music Festival. As the super blood moon illuminated all faces in the crowd, the festival continuously brought together fans of varying genres.

Singer-songwriter, Gregory Alan Isakov, took the JetBlue with about 600 theatres, without forcing the theatre into a set discount. Since then, it has partnered with about 600 theatres across the country with over 300,000 current subscribers. "We are not like Groupon, and at the end of the day we aren’t telling them to sell a ticket and popcorn at 35 percent off," said co-founder Ryan Fitzgerald, explaining that it is the theatre who decides the discount based on its time and day of the week. Typically, Dealflicks finds movie tickets and concessions for around forty percent off face value, Fitzgerald shared. "What we found is that by pairing a ticket with concession drives consumers to buy more concessions at full price," said Fitzgerald. Giving customers a good deal while increasing sales for theatres has motivated others to join the bandwagon. Through their revenue share model, there is no ongoing cost or fee to theatres who participate with Dealflicks, yet the company still obtains a percentage of every ticket sold. When making deals within an industry that has not seen significant changes over the span of its history, the start up company needed to differentiate itself. "Historically, there’s only been three major changes: silent film to sound, black and white to color, and 35mm to digital. Whenever an outside company introduces any kind of change, it shakes things up because theatres have been following the same model for decades," said Fitzgerald. By creating a mutual understanding between theatres and Dealflicks, this is how we get new customers put their butts in those seats, he said. The app is constantly improving itself internally on a regular basis to keep competitive advantage by observing consumer behavior, Fitzgerald said. In a world with ever changing technologies it is important to also make the app appealing to older demographics. Users can also find tickets at Dealflicks.com, like them on Facebook, and follow @Dealflicks on Twitter. Courtesy of Dealflicks. Any first time users can receive an additional $5 off their first purchase by entering "SUFFDF5" at the checkout page, and is valid until the end of this year.

The sixth Boston Calling Music Festival brought major headliners and considerably larger crowds compared to previous festivals.

The Canadian electro-funk duo, The Canadian electro-funk duo, "Chroma," lit up the stage, and used large foam glow sticks were thrown into the audience to electrify their set. After minor sound issues, Lauren Mayberry, lead singer of the Scottish electronic band, "Chvrches," impressively performed songs from their debut album, "Every Open Eye," that was released the night before. English indie rock band "Alt-J," mesmerized the crowd with a light show while they performed, "Every Other Freckle," from their newest album, "This Is All Yours." The band's piece brought one of the biggest crowds of the weekend to the Plaza. Following the band's performances, I wasn't sure how the remaining lineup could possibly stack up on Sunday. Nate Ruess, lead singer of "Fun," sang from his new solo album, "Grand Romantic," as well as hit singles from their collective album, "Some Nights." British singer-songwriter, Ben Howard, brought a much slower indie folk set and soothed the crowd with amazing vocals and mellow guitar playing. Audience members rocked to Hunter's performance on Sunday night, who rocked the Red Stage with a remarkable set of songs from his latest EP, "From Eden," as well as a surprising rendition of Ariana Grande's hit song, "Problem." The American rock band, "Alabama Shakes," ended the night with a dramatic performance by lead singer Brittany Howard, whose vocals sent chills into the crowd, bringing the three day festival to a close until next Spring.

Screenshot of Dealflicks.com

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Politics is no place for Planned Parenthood

Patricia Negron
Journal Staff

Planned Parenthood has been all over the Internet recently, with most people clearly on one of the two sides of the argument: pro-life and pro-choice. One thing both sides can agree on is that it has been a hotter topic than usual this past summer.

A recent series of videos released by anti-abortion group, Center for Medical Progress (CMP), has only helped fuel the whole argument. The videos supposedly showed evidence of Planned Parenthood selling fetal tissue. However, specialists from a research company, hired by Planned Parenthood, said the video was heavily edited to drastically change its meaning, according to the New York Times.

A gag order was issued against CMP on July 31 to stop them from further publishing the videos or any information related to the story, according to the Washington Post. However, that didn't stop Republican presidential candidate, Carly Fiorina, from citing the videos in efforts to defund Planned Parenthood, she claimed in the recent GOP debate. According to Fiorina, the videos show "a fully formed debate. According to [Fiorina], she claimed in the recent GOP stop Republican presidential video was heavily edited to show evidence of Planned Parenthood has taken a dramatic stance and recently ambushed her by throwing condoms. As the fiscal year is about to end, some Republicans are threatening to hold Congress hostage by not passing the continuing resolution, the temporary funding bill needed to keep all the agencies working, if federal funding is not removed from Planned Parenthood. As the Seattle Times editorial board put it, "Lawmakers would be outrageously irresponsible if they impeded women's health care across the country to justify a repeat of the 15-day government shutdown in 2013 that killed job growth and cost the U.S. economy $24 billion."

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who are housed at either Mass Art or Mass Pharmacy.

There are wanted positions throughout the sophomore, junior, and senior classes that will be voted upon as well. It is an exciting time for our organization because this leads to new members, new ideas, and fresh perspectives.

Yesterday many leaders from the Student Government Association went to the Smith Residence Hall at Mass Art. While there, they met with Suffolk University students who are housed at either Mass Art or Mass Pharmacy. These leaders were able to speak to students and give them an equal opportunity to participate in elections.

In addition to the ongoing elections, this weekend the Student Government Association is going on our annual fall retreat.

On the retreat we will participate in various team-building exercises so members both new and old can create stronger bonds with one another that will lead to furthered involvement and innovation. The executive board will teach lessons based on the fundamentals of how our organization works. By doing this, members both new and old can grasp a greater understanding of our dynamics and resultantly become a better leader and a better representative of our student's needs.

During the retreat we will be making our goals, setting our agendas, and brainstorming initiatives for the upcoming semester and/or year. These ideas will reflect the wants and needs of the students and the institution overall.

There are many up and coming things to expect from the Student Government Association.

Have a great week.

The Student Government Association

Making the most of your last year at Suffolk

Serina Gousby
Asst. Opinion Editor

Everyone has a dream they want to make a reality in their lifetime. My dream of graduating from a four-year university will happen very soon. It is my senior year and I have only nine months left to leave my own mark on Suffolk.

To make the most of my final year, I made a bucket list of things to accomplish before I graduate. All of my goals reflect the ideas of taking a risk, going out of my comfort zone, and facing one of my fears.

Before college, I overcame stage fright by reciting poetry to large groups. At Suffolk, I major in English with a concentration in creative writing, focusing mainly on poetry. Fortunately, each year I have been able to recite my poetry at campus events.

At the top of my list is to perform at Fall Fest because it is one of the biggest performing arts shows of the year. I am currently preparing a poem to use in my audition in October. Even if I do not get into the show, I will be happy to say I tried and be able to check it off my bucket list.

I also want to connect with one or more of my professors. College prepares you for a career where you will be financially secure and mentally satisfied, and recommendations are absolutely crucial for applying to jobs or graduate school. These applications will be far less stressful knowing that you have connections with professors who can help you, especially those within your major. You never know if a professor can help you unless you talk to them outside of class, and developing professional relationships that will stay intact long after you graduate.

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Suffolk hosts many events, and this year I plan to attend a lot more, especially the ones at night. As a commuter student, I didn't want to go home, change clothes, and come back, so I avoided nighttime events. I want to go to a lot more events this year because networking is very important, and solidifying new relationships will help me after graduation.

For instance, Cooking 101 is a great event that shows students how to cook meals on a college budget and exposes you to dishes from Latin, African, and Asian cuisines. Other events like Coffee Hour with the Office of Diversity Services, sports games at the new athletic complex in East Boston, community service opportunities, and events run by the Alumni Association and Career Development Center are beneficial, too.

Something that is just as beneficial is my Ram card which I intend to use a lot more often while I still have it. When I was a freshman, I was excited to finally get college student discounts to music and theater shows. Now, as a senior, I will definitely go to a lot more events in Boston before they disappear and we have to pay the full price of everything in the real world.

Something on my list, that most people want, is to get and get to know more of my classmates. It used to bother me that I did not get a chance to know at least two or three people in my classes, even after being in the same class with them for months. But now, three weeks into the first semester of senior year, I love my classes and hope the people I meet will want to engage in conversations with me as well.

Finally, to all my fellow seniors, I highly recommend creating a bucket list of things to do while you are still at Suffolk and taking full advantage of the opportunities our school offers us. Even if you are not a senior, creating a list now will encourage your time at Suffolk and in Boston.

Don't be afraid to add some fun and outrageous things that you can do during your time here, especially goals that will take you out of your comfort zone. My risk-taking goals that I succeeded through my last three years were the most rewarding.

For me, I just want to enjoy being a senior, and I'm excited for what's to come.

Divorced Christian tries to define marriage

Patrick Holmes
Asst. Opinion Editor

The media is a great way to spread news quickly. It is a great tool to make people notice things and form an opinion about them.

But it is not a great way to give Kim Davis, the county clerk from Kentucky who has refused to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples, a following and too much fame. I would be surprised if anyone in the LGBTQ community specifically, the couples in Kentucky, by fighting to deny them their rights.

With Davis being so widely covered by the media lately, it is giving her an ego boost that she does not need. The press needs to stop giving her so much attention because with it, she is gaining some sort of backing from supporters.

Davis is a stubborn woman with a fool on her that it seems that she doesn't fully understand it. She has been a Christian for only four years, and yet, in her lifetime she has been married four times. Now, who is destroying the sanctity of marriage?

Her back and aside, Davis shows no intent on giving up on her beliefs. She sends appeal after appeal to the courts to allow her to keep refusing marriage licenses to same-sex couples and is continuously denied. You would think Davis would get the point by now. After all, she spent five days in jail for her dastardly deeds. But still Davis attempts to defy the law due to her newly found and misguided faith in God.

"After returning to her job on Sept. 14 as the Rowan County Clerk, the filing said, Davis 'immediately' began meddling with licenses that the office's deputy clerk, Brian Motl, was handling," according to NBC news.

Aside from the legality of her actions at clerk, one thing I just can't understand is how she can be so set in her ways that she cannot accept the idea that anyone should be able to marry whomver they love.

One day, hopefully there will be no Kim Davis and there will be no opposition. But until that day, the LGBTQ community must fight against Davis and her supporters to win the efforts that have been shown throughout the years to progress LGBTQ rights.

The fight is not over but the publicity that Davis is receiving is too much. It is more detrimental than it is helpful. It gives her a sense of heroism that she does not need. She is no hero.

Kim Davis served as a Chief Deputy Clerk of Rowan County, Kentucky from 1991 to 2015.
Freshman Fancy works hard on volleyball court

Trevor Morris
Journal Contributor

Suffolk freshman and volleyball starter Rachel Fancy has taken the team by storm. The team's outside hitter and defensive specialist has been persistent on leaving her mark on the court. Originally from the suburban town of Agawam, Mass., Boston has been quite a change for Fancy, according to her; it's a good one.

"I really like the city, being from a suburb it's very different. There is definitely more noise but I like that there's always things going on and all the opportunities the city has to offer," said Fancy.

The young player began her volleyball journey after watching her hometown friends play and figured that she should give it a shot on a travel team when she was 12 years old. She has not turned back since.

In Fancy's mind, she has earned the right to be named one of Suffolk's starters. "It's probably due to my hard work at practice and my coach's belief in my skills," she said.

Freshman teammate and friend Dorothy Mensah gave a bird's-eye view on what it's like being Fancy's teammate. "Rachel is very enthusiastic and has a lot of fun to play with," said Mensah.

"She's always encouraging people on and off the court no matter the situation. She may not be our best athlete, but her attitude and excitement makes her all-around amazing.

Along with a new team, there will also be a new coaching staff to adjust to. "I love playing for Coach Bonny (Ducharme)," said Fancy.

"She has this intensity at practice that really gets me and the other players going and even though the season isn't going exactly how the team wants it to, Coach Bonny continues to push because she knows how great we can be as a team.

There is, however, still a lot that Fancy and the team have to work on. "I feel like I definitely need to work on my timing and the whole team needs to work on communication," Fancy said.

Fancy self-reflected on what she brings to the table for the team. "Definitely my intensity. I make everyone so excited with my hype after every point," she said.

"She's a little crazy but we need her craziness on the court. When she does go crazy, I've come to observe that this gets the team pumped and excited," said Mensah.

Rachel tries to model her game to Olympian beach volleyball player April Ross. "She's just an all-around great player and that's why she's so good at the game she loves," said Fancy.

Although they are a new team, Fancy explains that they are a young team, and with a new coaching staff getting started tends to be difficult, especially when adapting to their own diversity.

"We are all from different places so we are always laughing about our different mannerisms," said Fancy. "I had to explain to a few teammates that a 'grip' means 'a while' if you're from Eastern Mass.

Fancy plans on majoring in applied legal studies with aspirations of attending law school after graduating from Suffolk. "Definitely my intensity, I make everyone so excited with my hype after every point," she said.

Cross country teams' rosters running on fumes

Christian Nagle
Journal Contributor

Over the summer, Suffolk's cross-country program welcomed new coach James Petersen.

Petersen came from Bentley University as a 2014 graduate with a Bachelor's degree in Computer Information Systems but also stayed and competed in the MASCOT triathlon team, according to the Suffolk Athletics page.

During Petersen's three years at Bentley, he qualified for the Draft Legal Nationals as one of the top 75 collegiate men in the country.

His first challenge will be picking up the pieces of not - so - great scouting and a renovation of the Suffolk's athletics department. The scouting has led to a less than ideal situation for the amount of members on both the men's and women's teams. In Fancy's team, only five members and as of now is allowed to compete in races, but that could change if someone on the team were to be injured.

Sophomore Paulo Guedes said he isn't worried about the team this year and is understanding to the fact that no matter the situation.

The new coach had no time for proper recruitment. "Our new coach came in only a couple of weeks before this season started and had little to no time for proper recruitment," said Guedes. "I can assure that the team won't be lacking runners by next season."

The women's team is having 12 runners and that's why they have great experience. Their struggles come with wanting more members in case of any injuries and developing players for future seasons, even if the average of runners on a team is around 14, according to the GNAC.

"One of the main reasons for each team's struggles this season is due to poor recruiting and scouting efforts during the off-season. With little time for recruitment and scouting efforts, both teams missed our goal this season and that's why we have greatly benefited them."

The program carries additional problems of finding more runners for this year's team even after classes have started and finding times to meet and practice between the runners' competing schedules.

For those students who are interested in joining the program or acquiring more information, they should contact Petersen at his Suffolk email.

"Most of the runners are new to running cross country," he said.

The women's team's next race will be on Oct. 3 and the men's next race will be on Oct. 10.
I'm going to say it: the New England Patriots are the best team in the NFL, again.

It feels like we've been here a million times before. That's because we have. In 2007, through week three, the pundits were dubbing the Patriots' revenge tour following the Spygate Saga a non-stop train to their Super Bowl, and they were correct.

The team lost to the Giants in the big game, but that's beside the point. In 2011, the year the Patriots' offense dismembered defenses as well as they have again claimed this team would be Super Bowl bound. Again, they were right, and again, the Patriots lost to the Giants.

In conjuring these bittersweet memories, the feelings through week three feel a lot like this year's team. But there's one group that -- no surprise -- looks and plays even more similarly to this year's team.

And yes, it's exactly whom you're thinking: the defending Super Bowl champions.

Before we compare the two teams, let's go over the differences. First, this Patriots team has nowhere near the secondary that last year's team had. Unfortunately, that seems like a reality that Patriots fans will have to deal with until early February at the latest.

Also, this team won't have the doubters that condemned the team after their week-four playoff loss to the lowly Kansas City Chiefs. Which, some may argue, helped fuel the team's proverbial fire. However, in terms of verbal, this year's team does have the mountains upon mountains of chalkboard material provided by the Deflategate scandal and those teams who detested the evil, cheating Patriots. The situations provide different scenarios, similar products.

In terms of similarities between the two teams, both feature a young quarterback. Last season, Bryan Stork -- a rookie at the time -- played the majority of the snaps at center starting in week four. His plays would turn out to be some of the most consistent on either side of the line, carrying over into the playoffs and the Super Bowl.

This season, David Andrews has stepped up to the same role, while Stork nurses a concussion. Surprisingly -- or not surprisingly if you've been watching the Patriots for the past 10 seasons or so -- the undrafted free agent out of the University of Georgia has done an exceptional job filling in for Stork. Now the question is: who gets the spot when Stork returns?

Another similarity is the teams' use of their running backs. Last season, Shane Vereen would serve as a pass catching option for Brady more often than not. This year, Dion Lewis has assumed a similar role as a receiving option out of the backfield.

The difference: Vereen had a better hand at fumbling and catching roughly 68 percent of his targeted passes. Despite the fumbles, Lewis leads the league in forced missed tackles, and has scored two touchdowns while averaging 4.9 yards per carry.

The similarities between these two teams stretch beyond the young O-line and the shifty running backs. Both feature a rejuvenated Tom Brady, a healthy Rob Gronkowski, and a vicious crew of linebackers. With the comps, this 2015 Patriots team is primed for yet another Super Bowl run, which would make seven appearances in the big game since 2001.

But of all the similarities, the starkest may be this: the New England Patriots are the best team in the NFL. See you in the Divisional Round, folks.

**Suffolk teams have new home base**

Sam Humphrey
Managing Editor

Suffolk University's student-athletes have been navigating narrow sidewalks, limited playing space, and crowded gyms for years. With the university's latest addition of a new sports field in East Boston, however, there seems to be more opportunities for the Rams and Ram Nation.

"Moving to East Boston will allow our student-athletes a place to call home that is in close proximity to campus. It allows for easier travel but more importantly a place they can identify as their home field and take pride in," said Adam Chick, Suffolk's head baseball coach and an associate director of athletics.

"The fields are nice. They are very well-maintained and close together. It definitely looks like a collegiate place for our teams to practice and have games," said senior Anthony Del Prete, Suffolk's Student Athletic Advisory Committee and a shooting guard for Suffolk's men's basketball team.

As part of the agreement with the city of Boston, Suffolk announced in June that it would also spend money to improve the parks facilities. Among other things, the upgrades will expand the facilities' bleachers, provide new training room equipment, and make improvements to the softball field.

Del Prete is particularly excited about what the new facilities will provide the baseball team. As part of its upgrades, the university added two new electronic scoreboards and two batting cages and improved the infield of the park's softball field, according to Suffolk's website.

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"I think having a turf field will benefit us as a baseball team in the spring, given the way the past couple winters have been. Having a field that will be easily maintained and ready to go should give us an advantage in being able to not have many gaps in our schedule due to cancellations," Del Prete said.

"It has also been beneficial for our baseball program as many of our players live near the area and can work on their game during their free time on their own," Del Prete added.

Besides the facilities' benefits to students, Chick and Del Prete also hope the fields' location will make it easier for supporters to attend more matches and support Suffolk's athletes.

"We have had good turnouts for our soccer games with parents, friends, family, and other fans coming over to watch the contests," Del Prete said. "Hopefully being in East Boston will allow us to draw more fans for our sports teams overall."

"Having a home field will make it easier for Suffolk's fans and fans in East Boston to get there, and they don't have to go too far out of their way to support our teams," Chick said.

Del Prete, who grew up in East Boston and still plays in the team after their week-four win, said, "I'm going to say it: the New England Patriots are the best team in the NFL. Again, this year, Dion Lewis has assumed a similar role as a receiving option out of the backfield."

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**The Patriots run onto the home field at Gillette stadium.**

Courtesy of New England Patriots' Facebook

**THE RAM REPORT**

### TEAM STANDINGS

#### Women's Soccer:
1. Lasell | 4-3-1
2. St. Joseph's (Maine) | 5-5
3. Albertus Magnus | 4-4-2
4. Johnson & Wales (R.I.) | 9-5
5. Emmanuel | 4-7

#### Men's Soccer:
1. Emmanuel | 4-4
2. Mount Ida | 5-2-1
3. Albertus Magnus | 6-2
4. Norwich | 5-3-1
5. Johnson & Wales (R.I.) | 5-4

#### Women's Volleyball:
1. St. Joseph's (Maine) | 14-0
2. Johnson & Wales (R.I.) | 7-4
3. Anna Maria | 7-7
4. Simmons | 4-7
5. Lasell | 5-12

Note: all standings are overall records.