Board bust: Alumni demand improvement

On the heels of an appearance in a standing room only Student Government Association meeting on Thursday where issues regarding the university's plans to repair its broken internal governance with student interest in mind were discussed, Suffolk University's Board of Trustees is under fire again.

In passing a joint resolution with outgoing President Margaret McKenna and See ALUMNI page 3

New course to track election in real time

For political junkies and aspiring politicians, tracking America's politics and catching up on the latest news from the campaign trail can be far more appealing than sitting

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Michael Miller, a traveling speaker who regularly presents to college students, engaged the group of Suffolk leaders at LEAP with his True Colors presentation. Students learned about all their “brightest colors” and how they can use this knowledge to understand, reflect on their leadership roles on and off campus.

Once what Miller called a participant’s “brightest color” is determined, typical behaviors and tendencies are usually predicted.

“Everyone has all four colors in a certain order,” said Walsh, a strict “green” himself. “Especially among an
Conference promotes leadership, community and teamwork

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e-board, it's helpful to know how we work together and deal with each other in certain situations."

An important element Dodge said she learned from Miller is that planning out something for the next year's PC meetings was key to help organization members interested in the role.

"Michael Miller spoke a lot about the importance of keeping everyone in your organization involved and giving them more of a reason to come to meetings," she said. "Techies Union Co-President Amy DalCanton enjoyed the opportunity to present to other student groups on the work the organization does."

"As far as for the future of my group, I think it's really helped us become much more focused in what we want to accomplish, as well as spreading the word of what Techies Union can do for them," she said.

DeAngelis explained that SLI and SGA work together every year to guide the seminars and conference as a whole to address certain issues that the university has recently tackled.

"The big thing is trying to figure out what topics and sessions are relevant to students for that particular year so we can be current for the conference," said DeAngelis.

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LEAP gathered representatives from Suffolk clubs and organizations to learn new ways to get involved on campus.

Students celebrate their Journey

Brigite Carreiro
News Editor

The Journey Program, which incorporates the entire university in building leadership and community, celebrates the variety of retreats, events, and the students involved in them every year. On Tuesday, the Suffolk Law School filled up as prominent student leaders gathered to receive their awards, ranging from unsung heroes to notable student organizations.

Dave DeAngelis, director of the Office of Student Leadership and Involvement, presented slideshows from the many leadership exchanges he led throughout the year, including the Leadership Winter Break trip to Florida in January and the Leadership Spring Break excursion to Barbados in March.

A dedication video to Dean Nancy Stoll was also presented to commemorate Stoll on her time at Suffolk and extend the best wishes to the dean for her upcoming retirement. Student leaders such as Colin Loiselle, Jonathan McTague, Jose Toledo and Joseph Nordlie were among those to speak on Stoll's behalf.

In presenting Stoll with the award for Outstanding Dedication to Students, DeAngelis reflected on the first time he led Leadership Winter Break, which incorporates swimming with manatees in its skill-building program. During the program's first trip, manatees were nowhere to be found, but according to DeAngelis, Stoll encouraged subsequent trips anyway, showing her dedication to student leadership.

"Dean Stoll has served students tirelessly throughout her tenure and makes herself accessible to all students, dedicating countless weekends, nights and hours. I cannot think of a better role model," said DeAngelis.

In addition to Stoll's award, the Outstanding Student Leader Awards recognized Loiselle and Emi Omero-Mparas as the two recipients.

Of Loiselle, Stoll said, "This year's ongoing storyline regarding the institution's leadership thrust SGA and Colin, specifically, in the spotlight," citing a "tough year where accountability was vital."

Toledo and Bailey Damron also accepted the awards for Greek Man and Woman of the Year.

Among other recognitions was the Who's Who Awards, which acknowledged students who have achieved academic excellence and notable contributions to diverse service throughout their time at Suffolk.

Morica Caggiano, Ruby Courchene, Amy DalCanton, Tina Frostinos, Kimberly Mariano, and Mayra Morales accepted the Ram Excellence Award, each of which DeAngelis said "knows what it means to be a Ram."

All seniors who have officially completed Journey were also presented with certificates for their achievement and induction into the Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society.

Assistant Dean of Students John Silverta took a moment to support the SLI staff.

"Think about where this program was when Dave started it to where it is today. It's night and day," he said.

SGA President and Vice President Colin Loiselle and Sean Walsh had a unique way of giving Dean Nancy Stoll a proper send-off.
McKenna, students vie for university's integrity, stability

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Chairman Andrew Meyer in February, the Board was slated to adopt new bylaws, elect a new Board chair and form a committee to initiate a search process for a permanent president.

However, nearly two months later with no real deal in sight beyond sources saying news may break on Friday, students, speak up.

familiar with the matter to elicited prominent sources a near year-long uphill battle to be the final motion to end escape media mockery and the university's inability to quietly." The harsh reality of under a Board who "tends to leaders "grown-ups acting letter calling the university's Boston Globe column, which wrote.

"There is nothing that leads us to believe that this action is anything short of self-dealing - a serious matter of conflict of interest," said the letter, immediately listing the second hiring of high-priced attorneys to fend off what the alumni group says are "legal threats of a disgruntled vendor who failed in performing his duties for the University." Reportedly, McKenna, students vie for the success for a university.

"I can think of no other campus today that has more engaged students, faculty, staff and alumni working together for the success for a university." - President McKenna

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Presidential race elicits semester-long analysis

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down and hitting the books. But this fall, students in CJNI-491, “The 2016 Presidential Election in Real Time,” have the opportunity to do just that. The course, which will be co-taught by professors Robert Rosenthal and Rachael Cobb, allows students to follow the political race as it unfolds in the fall.

“It’s very exciting because we’ll be studying the presidential campaign as it happens,” said Rosenthal of the course material. “We’ll be looking at the campaign events, the debates, the advertising in the campaign, the candidates’ speeches. And we’re also going to focus on campaign strategy, looking at the demographics like expected voter turnout, who’s voting, where they’re voting, etcetera.”

Rosenthal and Cobb do not know exactly how the course will progress, since it revolves around the campaign. But don’t know exactly how a lot of it will go. Part of the challenge of teaching a course like this is the campaign is changing constantly — we don’t know what is going to happen,” Rosenthal said. “But there is going to be a lot of interaction with the students. It will be very involved, with watching debates, watching the political advertising.”

Rosenthal said they also plan to bring in guest speakers to give students a variety of perspectives on the race including local politicians, local journalists covering the election, and Director of Suffolk’s Political Research Center David Paleologos.

Additionally, Cobb and Rosenthal bring different talents to the class and will both teach about the race from their respective backgrounds, Rosenthal said. Rosenthal, who chairs the university’s Communications and Journalism department, will focus on the communication and advertising campaigns used by the candidates and the media coverage of the campaign. Cobb, chair of the government department and whose background is in political science, will focus on the demographics of voters and voting blocs.

Additionally, each will dig into the major political issues of the campaign and what matters to voters. “It’ll be fun to team-teach the course. We have similar perspectives in some ways, as we’re both into politics, but we’ll bring in different perspectives to the class, too. It should be a very fun experience for the faculty as well as the students,” said Rosenthal.

While many young people across the country are following the presidential race, students who track it for homework will learn a lot about American politics.

“Clearly, they’ll have a very in-depth understanding of the campaign itself and why it went the way it did. And they’ll gain a greater understanding of politics in general, as well as the political communication that goes into campaigns,” said Rosenthal. “From [the political science side, they’ll be] looking at voters, voter demographics ... and they’ll learn a lot about politics and media coverage.”

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Global Conflict is now about to go viral. The abuses of human rights, like those occurring in Syria and Ukraine, are among the next generation of international travesties. Due to technological advances, the bloodshed can be displayed for a worldwide audience that can do nothing but observe. While unmanned drones, hi-tech cellphones cameras and vast social networks have made reporting global chaos much easier, technology has done little to mitigate the breaches of human rights that are being recorded.

The MIT Center for International Studies recently addressed these issues during their latest Starr Forum: Human Rights and Technologies. Speakers gathered to present the different ways in which they are using technology to help promote and document universal human rights.

Jay Aronson, Associate Professor of Science, Technology, and Society in the MIT History Department, moderated the forum. He is the founding director of the Center for Human Rights Science at Carnegie Mellon University. "Rather than speaking in generalities, or propagating some type of utopian fantasy, if we can just get the right technology then an era of actual peace may be ushered in," Aronson said. "We want to talk about concrete systems that have been developed to deal with very specific challenges of documenting conflict and atrocities.

Hauwa Ibrahim, a prominent Nigerian human rights lawyer, was present in the audience to observe the innovations that were billed as the next form of humanitarianism. She is currently experiencing the arduous human rights battle first-hand by working to battle the bloody Reich brought on by the terrorist group Boko Haram. She has been notably recognized for her work representing those who are condemned by Islamic Sharia law, which doles out incredibly severe punishments for civil offenses. In 2005, Ibrahim was the author and Associate MIT professor, stood up and voiced her irritation about the research being conducted. She said, directed at McNaboe. "Their primary clients are all the various branches of the intelligence agencies. It's very sexy technology, I understand, but I think there are a lot of unintended consequences.

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"If you steal, you have your limbs amputated. If you commit adultery, you are stoned to death. If you drink alcohol, you are flogged 100 times publicly. Armed robbery may get you crucified," she explained in an interview with the Journal. "Over the past year, I have defended 107 cases, mainly women and children who have had their limbs amputated."

Nigeria recently marked the two-year anniversary of the 2014 Boko Haram kidnapping of 276 girls was forcefully taken from the Government Girls Secondary School in Chibok, sparking worldwide outrage. The girls have yet to be located. Ibrahim expressed her frustration about the ineffectiveness of recently advanced technology during the frenzied search for the girls. "You can imagine, with the technology of drones, that [the girls] could have been picked up so we would know where they are, and maybe they would assist a little bit," she said. "But two years after, we are still trying."

Although the issues are glaring, Ibrahim remains optimistic that as technology advances, so will our capacity to help humanity. "I think the more we have this information, the more empowered we are to make decisions," she said. "Technology is the future. We shouldn't shy away because we don't have a perspective."

Panelists took turns presenting the ways that they are using new technology attached to the crime." She explained. "Survivors are often ostracized for being sexually violated. The sad thing is, it that despite all the courage and bravery it takes for these women to come forward, so many of these cases fail for lack of evidence."

She highlighted the relative success that the MediciApp has experienced to document the countless sexual assaults occurring in Syria and Ukraine, their origins, and affiliations. The Carter Center recently partnered with the secretive, intelligence-linked firm Palantir, which has received some criticism for its close relationship with the United States security establishment.

Sasha Costanza-Chock, an author and Associate MIT professor, stood up and voiced his concern over the research McNaboe and his colleagues were conducting.

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Caribbean community creates connections throughout Boston area

Stepping out of the elevator and onto the fourth floor of Donahue, many clubs hold a presence of authority and leadership on campus. For many students who are looking for an organization with a diverse and rich culture, they will be able to find it at the Caribbean Student Network (CSN). As the club gains attraction to students, it has become popular as there are several members, reaching double digits, who attend during their bi-weekly meetings in Sawyer.

"Colonialism in the Caribbean is a hot-button issue right now," said President Fedija Charles. "That's one of the things we usually discuss in our meetings."

While the CSN focuses on uniting the people of the Caribbean at Suffolk, they look to bring their rich culture on campus.

"We want to educate students on the different forms of expression from the Caribbean culture, like art and dance," stated Charles proudly as she explained her devotion to CSN. Similar to the other clubs at Suffolk, the goal of the CSN is about concordance on campus with other students of Caribbean decent and any students interested. The CSN works to inform students about their unique culture and stresses that it is not an exclusive club, according to their president.

Unlike other organizations, their events are open to more than the Suffolk community as they welcome any student across the Greater Boston area. As one of the last celebrations that C. Walsh Theatre will host, the 27th Fashion Show on April 23 will be the grand finale of Caribbean Week as their paramount event.

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A few weeks ago, I was quite surprised to receive a "Happy New Year!" email from my Iranian internship director. With a bit of googling, I discovered that Iranians, Kurds, Uzbeks, and many other people celebrated their own new year's holiday, called Nowruz, on the first day of spring.

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First came their cultural foods, which were amply served to all in order to ready the attendants for the nonstop dancing that soon followed. Kubra and her friends joined in the dancing, only taking a five minute break during the entire session.

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For now, the ISA wishes you all a Happy Nowruz!
Commentary: Confirmation is more than a history lesson

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Arts Editor

HBO delivered a striking depiction toward women with its powerful film, "Confirmation," about University of Oklahoma law professor, Anita Hill and her former employer at the Department of Education and Equal Opportunity Commission, Clarence Thomas. Hill was swept up into a national firestorm about gender and race back in 1991 after she was contacted by the FBI and asked of her affiliation with the then Supreme Court nominee.

She detailed to the FBI the sexual harassment that she faced while working under Thomas at the department that handles issues of and related to sexual harassment. Although she asked that her statements remain private, they were leaked to the press, leading to a drawn out nationally televised spectacle that had members of the nation captivated and horrified.

"Scandal" actress Kerry Washington, who also served as the executive producer for the film, played Hill with incredible poise and reticence. Hill faced heavy scrutiny from the all-white male Senate Judiciary Committee, whose chairman was current United States Vice President, Joe Biden. In her testimony, she detailed her terrifying ordeal with Thomas that occurred ten years prior; recounting Thomas' graphic discussions of pornography and innuendos toward everyday items, particularly a rather gruesome remark about a Coke can.

What Washington and HBO really nailed with this drama was its message. While the case took place over two decades ago, its meaning is not outdated. Women are still subjected to harassment, and while it is not physical attack, it is still an incredibly harmful one because of its demeaning nature.

Hill's allegations were not taken seriously by the Republicans of the Committee during the live CNN broadcast. Who could she go to for help? Her boss was the person who handled those cases. The Republicans of the Committee berated her with foolish banter on live television, attempting to write her off so they could protect their nominee, Thomas.

Thomas attempted to protect himself, most prominently by referring to the accusations as "high-tech lynching for uppity blacks." The statement grabbed the attention of both the Senate and the nation, as well as Hill herself was also African-American.

The Judiciary Committee, which included Republicans Orrin Hatch, Alan Simpson and Arlen Specter did not understand the seriousness of what Hill recounted. Through her actions to defend herself, Hill received national praise from women who were afraid to come forward with their own stories because they feared they would not be believed or taken seriously.

After Thomas was elected to the Supreme Court, numerous women ran for political office and won seats in their local constituencies or within the Senate. Women began to be believed and more came forward with their stories. It is because of Hill's bravery that laws against harassment were created. HBO delivered this message of courage and perseverance at an appropriate time, as women are still harassed and not believed when they speak up.

Kerry Washington plays Anita Hill in HBO's "Confirmation."
Fuller House: a modern twist on a timeless classic

Stephanie Miller
Journal Staff

It's been nearly 21 years since the cast of "Full House" wrapped up its iconic family sitcom. In the years since, the children who watched the show, and its re-runs, grew up. So, a "Full House" reunion naturally came with great excitement and high expectations.

Like the original, the sequel series tells the story of a widowed parent of three whose close family and friends move into the same house to help raise the family. This time around, however, Candace Cameron Bure reprises her role as the eldest Tanner daughter, D.J., who was recently widowed. D.J., her little sister Stephanie, played by Jodie Sweetin, and best friend and everyone's favorite intrusive neighbor, Kimmy Gibbler, played by Andrea Barber. The three women move back into the famous San Francisco house that the Tanner family grew up in.

The show, created by original show runner Jeff Franklin and produced by returning original series favorite, John Stamos, was released on Feb. 26 on Netflix. It offers a modern twist on the beloved family sitcom. Everything about this show, the set decoration, the costumes and the characters, plays into the nostalgic tone of the show. Each aspect is updated to fit modern trends while simultaneously paying homage to the show's traditions.

The script is full of all the classic catchphrases known to fans, including: "You got it, dude," "Have mercy," "Oh my lanta," and of course, "How rude!" The kitchen and living room layouts are updated and stylish but still feature fan-favorites, such as the blue and white checkered plaid couch and large kitchen table.

"Fuller House" is definitely a show for all ages. The script is silly enough for children to enjoy and witty enough for adults to laugh, too. The show stays very true to its roots while remaining current. The lovable and darling child stars from "Full House" have passed on the baton to the next generation. D.J.'s middle son, Max Fuller (Elias Harger), may be the funniest of the sitcom's child stars with his adorable demeanor and witty dialogue. He somewhat mirrors a young Stephanie in the sense that she was also the pesky yet lovable little sibling causing mischief around the house. Stephanie, on the other hand, seems to have taken the role of the famous Uncle Jesse (John Stamos), being the musically gifted aunt that does not know much about raising children.

The exaggerated and silly humor associated with the original show's Joey Gladstone (Dave Coulier) takes a new form in Kimmy Gibbler, as well. Nostalgia at its finest, "Fuller House" is the perfect sequel to the beloved family sitcom. A perfect balance of genuine comedy and cheesy, lovable moments makes for an enjoyable and binge-worthy Netflix show. Overall, "Fuller House" does not disappoint. It offers a lighthearted, feel-good script with a familiar storyline that will never go out of style.

Arts Brief

Depp, Heard issue apology

Actor Johnny Depp and his wife, actress Amber Heard, issued a somber apology in a video message after smuggling their dogs into Australia. The couple had failed to properly declare their two Yorkshire terriers, Pistol and Boo, when they entered Australia on a trip last year. Heard pleaded guilty to knowingly producing a false or misleading document, while two other charges of illegally importing her dogs were dismissed. To avoid punishment from the Australian government, the couple issued the stone-faced apology in their uploaded video message. The video is trending worldwide due to the awkwardness of the couple, who appear to look as though they are hostages being forced to apologize. Late Show host Stephen Colbert even mocked the video in a skit on his show. "Australia is a wonderful island with a treasure trove of unique plants, animals and people," Heard said. "Australia is free of many pests and diseases that are commonplace around the world. That is why Australia has to have such strong biosecurity laws." Depp added: "Australians are just as unique, both warm and direct. When you disrespect Australian law, they will tell you firmly. Declare everything when you enter Australia." Magistrate Bernadette Callaghan said the video, played on Monday to her Gold Coast Court, was "of far more benefit to this country."
**Backward bathroom bill becomes law**

**North Carolina introduces new restrictions for transgender people**

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**Patrick Holmes**  
Opinion Editor

In June 2015, the Supreme Court announced the legalization of same-sex marriage across all 50 states. Though this announcement seemed a success, there was still a large part of the United States that was not celebrating. Closing in on nearly a year since the decision, mostly southern states have made it their mission to find any loopholes that would allow them to discriminate against the LGBT community. And there have been plenty of opportunities for the conservatives of the South to exploit.

In late March, Gov. Pat McCrory of North Carolina signed a bill into law that would make it illegal for transgender people to use the bathroom of the sex they identify with, according to CNN. After hearing about this outrageous attempt at discrimination, I figured it would progress with the ideas of other close-minded individuals. Not surprisingly, there are currently five other states considering the same law, according to The Washington Post.

Even though other states are considering this law as well, these leaders, whose actions speak loud and clear, don't realize that they use the same bathroom as the opposite sex every day of their lives. But using a unisex bathroom doesn't seem so radical, especially because the bathrooms in our homes are for both sexes, whether it be family, friends or even a new acquaintance.

The basis for the introduction of this bathroom bill is the sheer ignorance and misunderstanding of the LGBT community, specifically of people who identify as transgender. Some people choose to think that identifying in any other way besides cisgender links back to perversion. I don't know where this idea comes from but it seems that being uneducated leads to lack of understanding. Just a few days ago, after the law passed in N.C., the president of Duke University called for a repeal of the "bathroom law," according to The Washington Post. This followed many other boycotts from the state from many well-known companies and celebrities including Pearl Jam, Cyndi Lauper, and PayPal.

Even after the recent boycotts that would make N.C. in difficult territory, McCrory has not done nor said anything to diffuse the situation. That being said, it seems that southern states need to realize that LGBT rights are not going away and that we are people too.

The boycotts from so many companies is terrible for the state's economy and can potentially affect how the state will be run. Raleigh has lost $3 million due to the discriminatory law, according to LGBTQ Nation. Moreover, this should be a wake up call to other states that are considering the same law, as they should not want this to happen to them as well.

Hopefully, McCrory will see the error of his ways and understand the consequences of his actions. Maybe he will understand that what the people want is greater than what he wants. The fight for equality is nowhere near over and this is just another example of that dilemma.

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**Boston Marathon**

Monday was the annual Boston Marathon, and everyone congratulated the winners of both the men's and women's races. Coincidentally, the winners had the same coach. Out of the 26,639 runners who finished Monday's marathon, 72-year-old Fran Drozdz was the last contestant to cross the finish line at 8:45 p.m. that day. If anything, that is most applauded for her age, because even as a 19-year-old college student, I can't even think about running a mile, let alone a marathon. I have a lot of respect for the people who run the marathon and continue to do so, especially after the tragedy in 2013. There are probably countless stories that are heart-breaking and memorable just like Drozdz’s. Her husband, who is fighting cancer for the third time, is the reason she ran her 75th marathon. At the end of the race, her husband met her at the finish line to give her a medal. Drozdz took so long that her husband got worried during and called the police because he thought she got lost or injured. Moreover, she was running for the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. She should be an inspiration for everyone.

**Donald Trump misspoke on Monday when referring to 9/11 as "7/11." Although it seemed hardly noticed by some, Brandon Wall from Buzzfeed captured it in a Vine. Personally, if one were to slip up on a major event in United States history, they should reflect on their priorities. Especially as a presidential hopeful, it's tough for you image when a mistake like that happens. Trump, however favorable by some, does not seem favored by the majority of America, and this does not help his campaign. Other candidates have obviously had slip-ups as well and made mistakes, but this does not seem surprising coming from Trump. He is known for spreading hatred and bigotry, so for him to misspeak of a U.S. tragedy is not too eye-opening. It shows his character as a person and his way of thinking when debating and speaking. Furthering his campaign, Trump should be aware of these mistakes and try to learn from them so he can be a better candidate. However, unlike, this is very possible. He has a long road ahead of him against the Democratic party.**
Dear Suffolk students,

Last week’s general meeting was held at the New England School of Art and Design.

We have four members of the Board of Trustees coming to our meeting, including John McDonnell, Bill Popeleski, Tara Taylor, and Jim Morris.

These members filed student questions and overall concerns about the recent events that have been occurring throughout the Suffolk University community.

There was a productive conversation between the students and the Board of Trustee members.

On Monday April 26, the Public Relations Committee within SGA will be filming their third and final segment of the SGA Series.

During these shows, they feature Class Senators from each committee to explain and represent their roles within SGA as well as on campus.

Next week’s meeting will take place in Somerst B18, where all students are always welcome and encouraged to join.

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**How Clinton could lose the Black vote**

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As a Black woman, I forgive Sen. Hillary Clinton and Sen. Bernie Sanders for supporting the 1994 crime bill that gave many Black and Latino Americans life sentences for minor crimes. They have both expressed sympathy and shared ideas on how to fix mass incarceration, and I believe that it was an honest mistake.

In addition, I forgive Mr. Clinton for calling men of color who are a part of gangs ‘superpredators’ in 1996. However, what I don’t respect is the level of desperation and oddity of Hillary’s motives in order to receive the Black vote.

For the Democratic candidates in this year’s presidential race, the Black vote is important because of the plethora of issues in the United States affecting African-American communities.

In 2015, more than 90 Americans were shot and killed by law enforcement, and 40 percent of the victims were Black men, according to The Washington Post. Mass incarceration, poverty, unemployment and education are what African-Americans want to see change, and most expect Clinton and Sanders to continue to expand current President Barack Obama’s plans to resolve these issues.

However, with a Republican candidate like Donald Trump, who promotes hate and discrimination toward minorities, it is very scary to see how people, specifically white Americans, support the bigotry and ignorance of a man who has a good chance of becoming president.

With that being said, Sanders has been in the news multiple times speaking about racism and mass incarceration, and has pictures from his early twenties of him marching with civil rights leaders like Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Some African-Americans look to him as a sign of hope and liberation because he seems to understand these issues and refuses to ignore them. However, some Americans in general feel like he is over promising with no clear explanation to solve these issues; Clinton agrees.

During her time cruising through New York City’s metro system and playing dominos with residents before the upcoming New York primary on April 19, Clinton spent some time talking to Power 105’s hip hop radio show “The Breakfast Club,” who also interviewed Sanders in February.

One co-host, Angela Yee, asked Clinton what item she always has in her bag, and Clinton said without a pause, “hot sauce.” This response received backlash since it connects with Beyoncé’s Black power anthem “Formation,” with one of the lyrics being “I keep hot sauce in my bag, swing.”

Another co-host, Charlamagne Tha God, commented, “Now listen, I want you to know that people are going to see this and say, ‘She’s pandering to Black people,’ and Clinton responds “Is it working?” Up to that question, the interview was great, because she really expressed her feelings about negative things that she said in the past and also her views on racism and the prison systems.

Clinton’s only way to lose the Black vote is trying to connect with African-Americans in a harmonious way.

Former President Bill Clinton was nicknamed America’s First Black President by Toni Morrison, which I will never understand, and now Black Americans will see that his wife is not a saxophone-playing southern girl that African-Americans feel that they can connect to.

Sanders is proven to have Black supporters because of his positive words, his protesting for equal rights in the 1960s, and his political actions. If he does hip-hop dances on a television show or performs rap lyrics that would hurt him tremendously as well.

The best way to get the Black vote is standing by your own truth, expressing honest feelings about issues Black Americans care about, and not looking like a fool by using Black stereotypes or dance moves in order to connect with them.

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The Student Government Association recently posted on Facebook about the current tuition rise at Suffolk. If your cumulative GPA is a 3.6 or higher, next year’s tuition rise does not affect you. Moreover, you will receive a grant for doing well academically.

This is an incentive for students to keep their grades up or to start to raise them. Ultimately, this is a good tactic for Suffolk to use, so that its students stay motivated. Personally, as a student at Suffolk, being able to receive more money to pay for my tuition instead of being included in the rise is appealing. Again, this highlights the motivation to accomplish a GPA of 3.6 or above.

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So, as finals are looming over our heads and assignments are due, we should strive for the goal of receiving the grant.

The transcript at the end of the semester should not be avoided but rather welcomed with enthusiasm.

It’s easy to procrastinate or skip class but that motivation can be found again thanks to the ability to earn money because of your GPA. It’s still not too late to ask for help from your professors and do well.

It’s time to achieve the GPA you’ve always wanted.
You will run again. Because that is what the people of Boston believe you can do. That is what the people of Boston believe you believe you can do," said Barack Obama after the 2013 Boston Marathon bombings. "That's why a bomb couldn't beat us. That's why we don't hunker down. That's why we don't cower in fear," he said at the peak of his speech, during an interfaith service at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. "We carry on. We race. We strive. We build, and we love." We have to move on and save our future point. That's what we could take out of [losing games]."

Despite the 2-8 record, Saia thinks his team is in race standing moving forward next season, especially in welcoming a new set of players to the team this season as four of six starters are serving their first year with the team. "Time will tell," said Saia. "With time will give us excellence, and with excellence will give us wins." Saia thinks the games played have helped the team as well as himself get a feel of what to expect in conference matches. In their first conference match of the season, the team lost 9-0 to Johnson & Wales University (RI).

Besides working on fighting for the "one inch to the finish line" to come out of games with wins, the mental part of the game can be challenging. "The mental part is literally 85 percent and the rest is athleticism," said Saia. Almost everyone can get into shape, but it's easy to run your head down in tennis; every shot matters.

"If you make an error, you start getting streaky and you have losses" and have never been down on themselves as a team. They instead look at game takeaways to prepare and move on to the next match. "It's looking past points and not looking down at yourself in the game," said Saia. "You have to move on and save yourself in the next point. That's what we could take out of [losing games]."

"I'm proud of myself in working hard in the season," said Saia. "I knew I had to pick it up with the captain, and leadership weight on my shoulders. I didn't want to disappoint anyone on the team by not providing for the team." Saia, who is humble to serve as captain, said his best interest is to help the team out by giving advice to his teammates to help the group advance to the next level and next match. He does not think of himself any better than the next person, and hopes his teammates do not take his advice the wrong way when he suggests what players can do better.

"As a leader, I want to provide for my team in every way possible that I can," he said.

In the summer, Saia will practice four times a week with a private coach to work on footwork and the "little things." He will continue playing tennis in the fall to prepare for next season. As a diverse group of student-athletes, he hopes his teammates will be doing the same in different parts of the world to help bring the team to the next level.

"If you don't play for a week, you're back to square one," he said. "You have to continue having the consistency and playing the sport. You realize what you need to work on and set out to work on those things.""
Strength in numbers produces wins

All first base player Greg Speliotis cares about is defending their 2015 championship title. And he is out to do so with his team playing and winning games with the goal of capturing the 2016 Greater Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC) Championship.

He believes the baseball team’s winning record has turned some heads.

“Our talent and depth speaks for itself,” said Speliotis in an interview with The Suffolk Journal.

The baseball team leads the GNAC in number-overall wins, GNAC wins, GNAC tournament wins and games, GNAC championships, and National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) appearances.

“I am honored to play for a program as successful as the Suffolk baseball team,” said Speliotis.

With 10 games left in the season, and a 22-7 record after Monday’s 8-7 loss at Babson College, Speliotis, the 21-year-old sophomore says his team hopes to defend their GNAC championship title last season. They also want to compete at a higher level in the NCAA after getting eliminated two games into the regional tournament last May.

“The season has been going well through the first half, but obviously for us the goal is to continue to improve throughout the remainder and make sure we are playing our best baseball come May and in the conference tournament,” said two-year Head Baseball Coach Anthony Del Prete in an interview with the Journal.

Del Prete thinks the team has been playing well in all areas of the game from pitching, hitting, showing efficiency on the mound, playing good offense and defense, and using the overall athleticism of the team to produce runs. He wants the team to take advantage of the “little things,” to continue winning games, and to help the group stay focused moving forward.

“I think last year’s success has helped keep the team motivated heading into the season,” said Del Prete. “After a five-year drought, it gave the team a taste of winning.”

“I’m happy that the work and effort the team has put in throughout the fall and winter has translated to early success, but it is all about how you finish, not how you start,” said Del Prete.

Besides playing well in all areas of the game, Del Prete attributes the team’s success and winning record to the 32-player roster.

“It makes it a lot easier on players knowing that not everything has to go through one individual,” said Del Prete. “It has been a team effort and a different guy every day helping us win games.”

Speliotis, an Entrepreneurship major, has stepped up in “some pretty big situations” and has contributed to the depth of the team whether he is starting or getting a crucial pitch hit off of the bench. He thinks the team has excelled in every aspect of the game.

“I believe that we’ve hit, pitched, and fielded well enough to consider ourselves one of the best teams in New England,” said Speliotis.

Even though Speliotis thinks the program’s work ethic has been “pretty persistent” the three years he has been with the team, they can work on improving their sense of urgency to gain more confidence heading into the next game and to stay hungry regardless of the opponent they face.

Del Prete, who has served as an assistant coach at Suffolk for 10 seasons, feels fortunate to inherit the 69-year program from Cary McConnell, former head baseball coach and since 2015 the university’s director of athletics, to continue upholding “the longstanding consistency and tradition of success.” He thinks the team understands the commitment and expectations the program looks for in student-athletes.

Del Prete, who is also the university’s associate director of athletics, thinks the program has evolved over the years as the university has grown. The university’s location and academic reputation gives Del Prete and the program a competitive advantage in recruiting players. When he played for the university, most of his teammates were from the Greater Boston area and commuted from local New England areas. Now the program has players from nine different states.

UPCOMING GAMES

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The Phoenix Suns are retaining Earl Watson as head coach for the 2016-17 season.

Conor McGregor tweets cryptic retirement message

Red Sox option pitcher Jonny Ramirez to Triple-A Pawtucket and recall pitcher Heath Hembree

Los Angeles Clippers guard Chris Jones off waivers

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