State O.K.s
Suffolk's razing of Tremont St. buildings

By Lawrence M. Walsh
Journal Staff

The Office of Environmental Affairs last week approved Suffolk University's petition for permission to tear down the office buildings at 110-120 Tremont St. to clear the way for the construction of a new law school.

Susan Tierney, environmental affairs secretary, wrote in the department's approval, "because of the deteriorating and unsafe conditions of the two buildings, early demolition is desired."

Previous approval for the demolition of the two buildings was denied...

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SOM opens professors evaluations to student review

By Lorraine M.K. Palmer
Journal Staff

"It has been a long battle for over a decade," said Briggs, "but we finally won." Briggs played an instrumental part in making student evaluations public and on reserve in the library.

The documents are contained in a binder marked "confidential." It provides an overall summary of the SOM undergraduate division, as well as an overall summary of the SOM graduate division.

It also contains a two page computer printout with responses to 14 questions about faculty members and their courses. Also available are the syllabus's used by each faculty member for the particular courses he or she teaches.

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CLAS approves curriculum changes

By Lawrence M. Walsh
Journal Staff

The Faculty Assembly of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences approved on March 9 all proposed changes to the core curriculum, to include a new six credit diversity requirement.

The new curriculum requirements, scheduled to go into effect in September 1994, contain significant changes in the reduction of math requirements, the replacement of the logic course with an ethics requirement, and the addition of another science requirement.

Edward J. Harris Jr., chairman of the Educational Policy Committee, said for the most part, the majority of the curriculum will remain intact, with some minor adjustments.

"The changes clearly reflect what is happening on other college campuses as well as the real world," said Harris. Pointing to the new diversity requirement, Harris said, "Cultural diversity requirement is clearly the major change."

When the Faculty Assembly first took up the curriculum changes at their meeting three weeks ago, the cultural diversity requirement dominated the discussion, with faculty members raising concern with the...
Suffolk, MGH adds two medical programs to curriculum

By Michele Mosca
Journal Staff

Two new majors, medical biophysics and radiation biology, were approved by the Faculty Assembly of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences on February 25.

The two majors were developed through a joint effort by the Suffolk University biology department, the physics and engineering department, and the department of radiation oncology at Massachusetts General Hospital.

The initial proposal of the majors was suggested by MGH. According to the proposal, the hospital wishes to develop a four-year bachelor of science degree for their radiation therapists who now have associate degrees.

MGH is hoping to upgrade the standards of education for radiation therapists and expects that a four-year degree will eventually become required across the United States.

MGH stated in the proposal that they are willing to pay tuition for their therapists to attend the program and hope the program will attract prospective therapists to work at the hospital.

By offering the program to incoming freshmen, Suffolk will not only aid MGH in the search for potential therapists, but also open a new student market in CLAS.

According to the proposal, MGH will provide the necessary faculty, classroom and laboratory space at no cost to Suffolk University. The program also requires MGH personnel to teach some of the courses.

The only restriction of the program is that MGH cannot guarantee clinical experience to all students in the program. According to the proposal, only 15 to 20 students will be allowed to enroll in the program at a time.

However, the proposal states that students will not be required to complete a practicum. Only students interested in taking the certification exams or becoming licensed radiation therapists will be required to participate in clinical training.

The two new majors provide those interested in radiation therapy with the opportunity to expand their knowledge by gaining hands-on experience with sophisticated equipment at MGH.

MGH stated that they were excited with the collaboration because either degree would provide excellent training for students interested in the medical field.

The new majors would help in the recruitment of new therapists in Massachusetts where there is a severe shortage of people interested in becoming radiation therapists.

Larcenies continue on campus

By Scott Newman
Journal Staff

Larceny is once again on the rise at Suffolk. According to Officer Jimmy Lee, reports of items being taken from students and faculty members are as prevalent as ever, and should continue to rise as we near the end of the semester and final exams.

The study rooms and cubicles in the library are the most susceptible areas of theft, because of the enclosed space and isolation.

Also, people using the locker rooms on the second floor of the Ridgeway building, as well as faculty members' home offices and desks.

According to Officer Lee, in most cases the only money that is missing is the wall or purse remains otherwise intact. If someone has reported an item stolen, they should contact Suffolk police at ext. 8111 in order to check if that item has been retrieved and claim it.

Retrieved articles are held by Suffolk police in excess of three months and then donated to the police in excess of three months and then donated to neighborhood charities. Officer Lee also encourages people to leave books in the library, keep your valuables, even if they are left in dorms.

People using the locker rooms are prime targets for campus thieves.

Student Government Association Presents

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BSU chooses leadership for coming year

By V. Gordon Glenn III
Journal Staff

After brief speeches and a question and answer period, the Suffolk University Black Student Union elected new officers for the 1993-1994 academic year.

Mirroring last year’s elections, there were five candidates on the ballot for the four positions of president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. The only officer contested was vice-president.

In their two minute speeches, the candidates, Diane Clark for president, Leona Odom and Caleb Desrosiers for vice-president, Rashita Clarke for secretary, and Ulanda Oliver for treasurer, were asked to answer three basic questions:

“Why are you running?,” “What can you offer BSU?,” and “If elected, what are your expectations of BSU?”

“Basically, I want us to do more things for the community,” said Clark, who later was elected president, citing the need for more attention towards the education of young people.

In her speech, Clark also laid out her plans for a tutoring program at the Roxbury Boys and Girls Club that she would implement in September, a program which she described as “all set.” She said that all she would need would be able, dedicated bodies for it to work.

When asked how she would motivate BSU to take part in this and other programs, Clark said, “My concern is with the people who come to the meetings...if I have to ‘get’ you to do it, then you’re not going to be that concerned.”

Clark said that she plans on having on-going programs, such as the tutorial program, to keep members actively involved.

“If you are wondering about my capabilities to hold this exorbitant office, upon my stable credentials, I am your man,” said Caleb Desrosiers, who was elected over Leona Odom for the vice president’s position.

Being the only male seeking an office within BSU, he said “I am...ashamed and appalled at the lack of contribution from the black male in regards to BSU administrative responsibility...I feel that it is my duty to step up and take this challenge.”

Desrosiers said that communication and using himself as an example could bring in more active black males to BSU. He also suggested that BSU can keep the current members if they find out from them what is needed in BSU.

Desrosiers admitted that he has not been as active as he would have hoped to be, but assured that he would use his experience and dedication to unify BSU into working as a team for the future.

When asked how he intended to work with the president-elect, he responded, “Our goals are to work diligently together... carefully, step by step, to make sure that things are in shape.”

Rashita Clarke, who ran unopposed for secretary, also commented on BSU’s lack of participants in the elections. She said, “It’s nitful to have a president, a vice president, and not a secretary or a treasurer.”

For a record of her qualifications, Clarke told of her experience as the secretary for the Athletics Department and her concern for unity within BSU in working as a team to keep members involved as well as informed, which would be one of her duties as secretary.

When asked about her expectations for BSU if elected, she said, “If I get all of us to work together, to make BSU work...I hope that we can make it even better than it was this year.”

Clarke, in her conclusion, stated the need for BSU to make a statement as a union. “We exist, but if it’s not unified, it won’t work,” she said.

Ulanda Oliver, who was originally slated to run for vice president, decided, in a last minute decision, to run for treasurer.

“I realized that the (vice-presidency) is a big responsibility and that I would lack in that responsibility,” said Oliver, who reasoned that her job would keep her from attending every BSU meeting and fulfilling that responsibility.

In accepting the treasurer’s job and its responsibilities, Oliver asked BSU to keep up with her as she attempts to keep up with BSU. She said that she has experience with dealing and handling money in church as an usher.

So that there is a smooth transition of power, Oliver, along with other elected officers, will be running a couple of meetings after spring break, according to current president Ayanna Yancey.

All the new officers of BSU, along with newly elected officers from the Suffolk University Hispanic Association, and the Asian American Association will be sworn in at the ninth annual “Passing of the Gavel” ceremony, Monday, April 12, at 3 p.m. in Sawyer 308.

This ceremony is held every year to acknowledge the exchange of leadership and academic excellence within these organizations and is hosted by Sharon Artis Jackson, assistant to the president and director of multi-cultural affairs.

P.C. executive board selected

By Kevin Lombardi
Journal Staff

An eight-person selection committee recently started the yearly change of the guard for Program Council by naming people to seven of the 12 available positions.

The committee, consisting of outgoing P.C. President Javier Pagan, outgoing P.C. Vice-President Gina Ciaramitaro, Student Government Association President Rocco Ciccarello, SGA Vice-President Lou Grenwald, Dean of Students Nancy C. Stoll, Director of Student Activities Donna Schmidt, Graduate Assistant Gloria Coursey, and Council of Presidents Treasurer Don Marinielli, selected seven people to fill positions on P.C. for the 1993-1994 school year, earlier this month.

Those selected are: Candi Tulpin, president; Rob Prezioso, vice-president; Jennifer Brooks, treasurer; Tina Pacheco, Special Events chair; Rina El-Hoss, Bar and Grill chair; Christina Walsh, Performing Arts and Lectures chair; and Kristen Paulion, Social chair.

All of the selections are active members of P.C., but none of the existing members will be returning to their original positions for the following school year. Both Ciaramitaro and Pagan feel those selected are qualified for their positions.

The remaining five positions, Daytime Programming chair, Publicity chair, secretary, and assistant to the president, and assistant to the vice-president, will be filled sometime by the end of the semester, according to Pagan.

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SGA enters Inter-Collegiate Forum

By Viki Bernard
Journal Staff

If you're not a transfer student, did you ever wonder what the inside of another college or university looked like? Are there really those "hallowed halls", 200 seat classrooms and frat houses with ivy vines attached to the buildings?

In an effort to bring Boston area colleges and universities together, Junior class Vice President Ehin Hidalgo has joined forces with Student Government representatives from Suffolk, Northeastern, Boston University, Bentley College and Boston College to form the Inter-Collegiate Student Government Forum.

This concept is based on the Association of Colleges and Union's International Conference that was held at the University of New Hampshire which Hidalgo attended. "This forum is based on the large conference, with a more local aspect," said Hidalgo.

Representatives from the different schools will meet once a month to discuss current issues on campuses. "Each month the meeting is at a different school so we can get to know the other representatives and their campuses," said Hidalgo.

Hidalgo heads the project from Suffolk, and is in the process of getting support from the administration.

Curriculum from page 1

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Two course which focus on cultural groups, in and outside the U.S., which have traditionally been underrepresented in the curriculum.

The resulting compromise was to change the language of the requirement to read for the first half of the class to be the examination of one group which is traditionally under-represented in the curriculum, such as women, racial minorities or sexual minorities.

The wording for second required course in diversity was changed to read, the examination of non-western cultures outside the United States, or the role of women or sexual minorities outside the United States.

Ronayne said the changes are representative of the more diversified citizenry of our society and the more diversified campus population.

The diversity requirement will be a double counted requirement, which means a class in history or government may also be able to fulfill the diversity requirement.

Other changes approved by the Faculty Assembly were the reduction of the math requirement from six to three credits; the addition of an integrated studies class in computer science, and Computer Science I, or Statistics.

Ronayne said topics of further discussion will be the formulation of a list of classes which will fulfill the diversity requirement and what changes will be required of transfer students.

The changes to the curriculum will not take effect until the fall semester of 1994.

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Nunsense a devilishly good spoof

By Karen M. Young
Journal Staff

Last year's hit movie "Sister Act," starring Whoopi Goldberg, portrayed nuns in a way they are not normally perceived. The film made the audience laugh at the ridiculous way in which the singing and dancing nuns were portrayed.

The city of Boston has their own version of "Sister Act" in the musical comedy "Nunsense," which is currently in its seventh year in Boston. "Nunsense," which is running at the Theatre Lobby located on Hanover Street in the North End, is the story of a group of nuns from the Little Sister of Hoboken order who are forced to put on a variety show to earn money to bury the four nuns they are storing in their freezer.

The nuns were among 52 who died of food poisoning after eating a tainted meal prepared by Sister Julia, Child of God. The nuns had earned enough money to bury 48 of their sisters but purchased a VCR for the convent instead of burying the remaining four. The nuns desperately need the money to bury the nuns or they will be fined by the Board of Health. Five of the remaining nuns converge on Mount St. Helen's School auditorium and put on an unforgettable show.

The nun jokes fly fast and furious as the group sings and dances to the delight of the audience. The cast of the musical is outstanding, as each scene is more enjoyable than the previous one.

Sister Mary Regina (Karon Lewis) is the Reverend Mother of the Convent. Her decision to purchase a VCR is the reason why the nuns had to put on the performance.

Sister Mary Hubert (Mary Ann Zschau) is in charge of training the novices at the convent. She longs for the day when she will be able to take over Sister Mary Regina's position of Reverend Mother.

Blizzard strands travellers in Boston

By Paul MacEachern and Karen M. Young
Journal Staff

The northeast part of the nation cannot complain about having another dry winter. Record-breaking snowfall has fell across New England, dropping over 70 inches of snow in the area this winter.

A large winter storm gave Suffolk students an auspicious beginning to their spring breaks, dumping over 15 inches of snow in and around the Boston area.

Adverse weather conditions put a damper on travel plans at Boston's Logan Airport. Thousands of travellers were stranded at Logan Airport for several days as the runways were being cleared.

The three Boston stations were telling viewers to call their airlines before heading to the airport. The travellers who attempted to call the airlines heard an endless busy signal.

As a result, many travellers were forced to trek through the snow to see if their flight was one of the few that took off from Logan Airport Sunday afternoon.

Once at the airport, the travellers were met with long lists of flight cancellations and even longer lines to wait in as they tried to reschedule their flights.

Plows clear the streets of Boston after the Blizzard of '93 over spring break. The storm dumped more than a foot of snow in the area.

Carolyn Beaty/Journal Staff

Travellers hoping to visit the states on the eastern seaboard experienced the longest delays, as many major airports, including Kennedy and La Guardia in New York, were closed because of the storm.

Mary travellers were stranded until Tuesday, when planes were finally taken.

Carolyn Beaty/Journal Staff

Fonda shows tough side in "Point of No Return"

By James McDonough
Journal Staff

John Badham's "Point of No Return" is a very entertaining remake of the 1991 French thriller "La Femme Nikita." It is also a film that provides a star-making role for Bridget Fonda.

Staying close to its original source, "Point of No Return" is a non-stop action picture in which Fonda plays Maggie, a cop-killing drug addict reformed by "The Agency" to be an expert assassin.

In the film, Gabriel Byrne ("Miller's Crossing") plays Maggie's mentor, Bob. Bouncing back from his stale performance in last year's awful "Cool World", Byrne has fun revealing his best side in this film.
Maggie's assignments on only a "need-to-know" basis. The film cleverly fuses state-of-the-art action scenes with the credible story of a woman trapped in a world of violence. However, all metaphors aside, "Point of No Return" is an adventure film that accomplishes what it sets out to do: Provide audiences with a female action hero that would make Arnold Schwarzenegger proud.

Like the 1988 Kathryn Bigelow film "Blue Steel" and 1991's Ridley Scott Oscar-winner "Thelma and Louise", this picture displays an immense flare for mixing those adrenaline-pumping action scenes with an intense performance by Fonda. In last year's "Singles" and "Single White Female", Fonda showed only a glimpse of her acting abilities. In "Point of No Return", she is on full-throttle. Another great performance in the film is by screen veteran Harvey Keitel. Playing a character known only as "The Cleaner", Keitel provides a small, but darkly comic take on another professional assassin hired to kill Maggie. He supplies the film with comic relief that perfectly balances the movie.

Anyone who likes exciting action films will enjoy "Point of No Return". "Director Badham ("Strakcout", "Wargames") keeps the audience entertained. Except for the film's abysmal ending, it is a definite winner.

However, the real reason to see "Point of No Return" is Bridget Fonda. Like her famous relatives, she is a superb talent.
The Continental Drift

Student Protesters Burn State Flag

More than 300 students from Atlanta-area universities marched to the Capitol building and burned the state flag to protest a symbol of Confederacy emblazoned upon it. The students assembled at Morris Brown College for the rally to support Gov. Zell Miller, who is leading a movement to remove the stars and crossed bars symbol of the Confederacy from the Georgia flag.

Despite Miller's pleas not to burn the flag, the students set it on fire. Amid chants of "burn, baby, burn" from the crowd of mostly blacks, a few whites and members of the media, the flag went up in flames. More than 500 police officers, helicopters, and Secret Service agents were stationed around and above the Capitol.

One Atlanta police officer, who wished to remain anonymous, said the strong police presence was because they did not want a repeat of the riots that followed the Rodney King verdict in Los Angeles last May.

"The bad eggs might want to cause trouble, that's why we had to staff up so we would be well prepared for the worst-case scenario," the officer said.

However, the student turnout was considerably lower than expected by both the police and student organizers.

Lawrence Philpot, one of the organizers of the rally, said they had been expecting between 3,000 and 5,000 protesters, but only about 300 to 500 showed up.

"There was a deliberate attempt by the media as well as the political structure to undermine our efforts," Philpot said. "They know that we had the potential to get numbers; that's why they went to such lengths to undermine our efforts."

While Miller was not present at the rally, he sent a letter to the students in an attempt to discourage them from burning the flag.

"It would insult many Georgians just as the current flag insults you," Miller said. "If you burn the flag at the capitol, you will ally yourself with those who want to fly it over the capitol forever."

The students disagreed with Miller, saying that burning the flag would send a visible message of their strong opposition.

The flag also was put through a mock trial, and was found guilty of being a symbol of oppression.

Black and white students alike said they felt that the flag was racist and should not be flown above public buildings.

The students also said they did not support reverting to the pre-1956 flag. Student leaders, who propose an entirely new flag design, saw the pre-1956 flag as symbolizing and honoring the Confederacy.

"We shall not have the fascist flag of 1956 reformed back to the racist flag of pre-1956," said Lawrence Jeffries, leader of Students for African-American empowerment.

In a second march on the Capitol on Feb. 22, about 75 flag protesters were joined by Fulton County Commissioner Martin Luther King III, son of slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., and Fulton County Commissioner Ralph David Abernathy III, son of civil rights leader Ralph Abernathy Jr.(CPS)

Students Endorse Gay Rights

Iowa State University's student senate recently passed a resolution recommending that partners of the same sex be allowed to live in married student housing.

But it wasn't until after five hours of intense debate. "It started out very logical and rational, then it became emotional. There was a lot of fear. Some people just do not believe in recognizing gay or bisexual people," said Eric Hamilton, president of the Government of the student body.

The resolution also encourages the administration to allow domestic partners of gays and lesbians access to university services, facilities and insurance benefits available free or at reduced rates to spouses of heterosexual students and faculty members.

"We are the trailblazers," Hamilton said. "We're still getting feedback, positive and negative."

Fair treatment of same-sex domestic partners has been a hot issue on the campus since last fall when a homosexual student who was asked to live in married student housing with his partner was denied, and appealed to President Martin Jischke. Jischke was expected to make a decision on the issue after spring break.(CPS)

Book Tells How To Launch Careers

Ethics is an important consideration for graduating seniors as they launch their careers, according to a new book.

"Success without honesty is failure," says Richard Fein, author of "First Job" and placement director for the school of Management at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

The book gives advice about how to identify and emphasize positive characteristics, resume drafting and difficult interviewing questions. Discussions of ethics in the job search are placed throughout the book.(CPS)
Student Leaders Show Their Courage

The week before Suffolk students went on spring break, the student bodies at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and Massachusetts Institute of Technology both passed controversial, non-binding resolutions. The result was a clear message being sent to both of their schools’ administrations and the greater society.

At UMass/Amherst, students passed by a two to one margin a non-binding resolution calling upon the school to amend its harassment policy so that it is not restrictive of free speech. The resolution was initiated by the Cannabis Reform Coalition, headed by UMass/Amherst student Lance Brown who was a candidate for state representative last year, which will ask the school’s student government to inform Governor William F. Weld of the students decision and call for the cessation of the arrest and prosecution of marijuana possession on campus.

The same day, students at MIT approved by the same margin a resolution calling upon the school to amend its harassment policy. The resolution was initialed by the Cannabis Reform Coalition, headed by UMASS/Amherst student Lance Brown who was a candidate for state representative last year, which will ask the school’s student government to inform Governor William F. Weld of the students decision and call for the cessation of the arrest and prosecution of marijuana possession on campus.

A part of a nationwide debate over free speech and the need to be more sensitive to the needs of traditional minorities, the MIT policy is worded so that anything perceived as creating a hostile environment is a violation of the policy. Students at MIT complained the policy could be used to quash political speech or criticism the school. Still, the administration has not relented on making an exception for political speech in the policy.

Although we here at Suffolk may or may not agree with the initiatives debated at others schools, the student leaders of these two schools should be commended for their enterprises and fortitude. It takes an incredible amount of courage to step outside the accepted norms of society and take on the unpopular mainstream issues.

All too often, students today are quick to accept a false perception that they are powerless against the establishment of government and universities. At UMass/Amherst and MIT, they have broken that perception. In the 1960s and early 1970s, students would gather for rallies, sit-ins, and protest against even the most mundane issues and were able to gain many of the liberties we enjoy today. For more than a decade, the passion and power of students exercising their political voice has been notably missing.

The closest thing to a protest or initiatives like these two was the last November’s protest against the appearance of Fred Leutcher on campus. Nearly two hundred students and faculty packed a room to, not protest, but attempt to expose Leutcher’s power of students exercising their political voice has been notably missing. The administration, even before the protest was over, took it upon itself to announce its support for the students’ privilege to freedom of expression, thus quelling any further debate concerning the appropriate forms of speech or the role and responsibilities to the greater society. (Note, on a private campus, speech is a privilege and not a right.)

With a fleeting glimpse, the only group to remember the Leutcher controversy were the people at the heart of the matter, the Criminology Club. When they attempted to keep this issue and their credibility at the forefront of the community’s attention by sponsoring another debate on the death penalty, hardly anyone took notice.

We should herald the leadership and conviction of these student leaders at MIT, UMASS/Amherst, and the Criminology Club for taking an unpopular position and breaking from the mainstream.

We here at Suffolk can only hope the rest of our “student leaders,” both present and future, have the same conviction when the time comes to stand up for the rights of the student body and their beliefs.

## Letters to the Editor

### Special note of thanks

I would like to thank Joe Cowley, Graduate Assistant in the Student Activities Office, for all the help he has given me in planning both the Family Program and the displaying of the AIDS Quilt. He has spent countless hours assisting me and he should be acknowledged and congratulated for all the work he has done.

Thanks, Joe! Gina Ciaramitaro Program Council

### Academy didn’t snub Malcolm X, Spike Lee

I found the commentary about Spike Lee’s “Malcolm X” written by Gordon Glenn to be very interesting. This movie was by far the best movie I saw all year. The movie was entertaining and informative, and it gave me more of a sense of who Malcolm X was and what he stood for than ever had before. Overall, it was definitely worth my $6.75.

I do not agree with Gordon however. I think the Academy Awards are more political than they are racist. Spike Lee has a funny way of making the people around him very angry. I saw numerous television interviews with Mr. Lee, before and after the release of his movie, in which he slammed the producers and the motion picture company that helped make “X” for not giving him enough money and support. The problem with the Academy Awards is that it’s the producers and the motion picture companies that vote to nominate people for the awards. Spike Lee is a great film-maker and a smart businessman, but if he wants to win Academy Awards he has to shut up and let his movie do the talking. This year’s awards will be no different than last, where the most popular movies get all the awards. “X” is not some cutsey fun movie that makes you warm all over. “X” makes you think. “X” is a hard movie. “X” is not “Howard’s End” or “Unforgiven.” Spike made something very different, something that some people just plain don’t like.

What I’m trying to say, Gordon, is that if “X” taught me about Malcolm’s life and what he stood for, what else could Spike Lee ask for? I thought that was the reason he made “X.” If Spike’s in the business only to win awards, he should quit now.

Jim Belote
Sophomore

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What Is The Nature Of Student Activities?

Lawrence M. Walsh

Over the years, the campus has recorded noticeable elevations and ebbs in the various student organizations. Performance levels of any student organization can be measured on a bell curve of high performance, relative activities and events, to low periods of controversy and confusion.

The Council of Presidents holds constitutions for student clubs and organizations which have either disintegrated or gone inactive. The Student Government Association in recent years has been plagued by the difficulty of finding students to, not only run, but to vote in their campus-wide elections. And Program Council has seen substantial disappointments in the level of commitment and quality events.

The Suffolk Journal is not exempt from these problems. Over the years the level of technical expertise, lack of a dedicated staff and lack of fully trained editors almost ran the paper out of existence.

The predicament which faces the future of all student organizations in the philosophy of carpe diem, living for today and not thinking about what tomorrow might hold. As students, the net influence we have is over the campus is static. We are here today and gone tomorrow and rarely care what happens to our former affiliations after graduation.

Ask any student leader where their organization will be in five or ten years, the answer will be the same...the organization will be serving in the same capacity as it is today. This is an absolutely true statement. If you examine reports of the student government and the candidate's speeches, the organization's goals, and the performance of results of their efforts, you will find they are dealing with the same problems, concerns, and issues they were working on five and ten years ago.

The organizations do not inspire progression, just continuation. The Suffolk Journal will put out a newspaper every week. The Student government will talk about tuition, the book store, financial aid. And Program Council will hold student parties and events. Many times, the students who assume these leadership positions do not innovate the organizations with new philosophies, but fill in the blanks provided by the previous administrations.

The true goal of any student organization is to enhance the learning process on campus and with this the learning process must be augmented growth and innovation. The most important lesson learned on campus through student activities is how to interact on professional levels.

All too often, student leaders are confined by ill-conceived notions of being too offensive in their Interaction and association with other student leaders. Where consensus building leaves the campus plodding, the lack of constructive conflict adds to the lack of growth and progress in our activities.

Student leaders need to begin to think about the future of the organizations, put aside personal and philosophical differences and empower themselves to take on the difficult and sometimes painful issues facing students, student leaders, and their organizations.

If not, five years down the road, after we are all but forgotten, some student leader will be talking about problems in the book store and the library.

Voices of Suffolk

Should students be able to review professor evaluations?

"Yes, because we are paying tuition and we deserve to know how the professors we will get are perceived."

Mike C. M. Sophomore

"Yes, definitely. There is a course I'm taking now and if I had seen an evaluation I wouldn't have taken it."

Carolyn Cook Freshman

"I don't see why not. If it will help students see what the course will be like. That's basically what you make your judgement of the course on other students' opinions."

Christine Fulton Freshman

"Definitely, yes! Because it would help students find a professor compatible with themselves."

James Christian Senior

"Yes, this way they have an idea about the professor so they wouldn't make the mistake of taking the class."

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"FOR THE KIDS"
A Fundraising Dance Benefiting
The Boston Pediatric AIDS Project
Friday, March 26
Sawyer Cafeteria
Students $4.00, Guest $5.00
7:00 p.m. Lecture and Video on pediatric AIDS
8:00-12:00 Music and Dancing
*For Additional Donations: Floor, Drinks, and picture will be available.
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A Suffolk Journal Public Service Announcement

Building from page 1
Suffolk because they did not receive a waiver for filing an environmental impact study on the destruction of the building.
Brian Delory, director of the Boston Redevelopment Authority, said the hurdle gaining permission for demolition has been overcome and now Suffolk can move forward with the purchase and construction.
Among the concerns of many in the local downtown area is Suffolk tearing down the building and leaving a vacant lot for an extended period of time.
A part of the approval for demolition is a requirement that Suffolk must negotiate an agreement with the Massachusetts Historic Commission as to what will happen if construction does not proceed on a specified time frame.
The BRA, which has viewed the location of Suffolk Law School on Tremont Street as a major part of the revitalization of the area, has said that if Suffolk does not begin construction with 15 months of demolition, it may impose financial penalties against the university.
Delory said the fines, if used, are only a development mechanism designed to keep the new construction on a progressive schedule.
Suffolk has been negotiating for several months for the acquisition of property with its current owners, Olympia & York, a world-wide development company which is in dire financial straits.
Since the announcement that negotiations began, local preservationists have opposed the destruction of the Tremont Street property and have lobbied for Suffolk to rehabilitate the property.
Antonia Pollack, of the Boston Preservation Alliance, said she was disappointed by the decision, but was happy Suffolk agreed to construct the new building in a timely fashion.
The preservation alliance has been fighting to preserve several Downtown Crossing buildings, and to save the area from new parking lots. Pollack commented that the lots do not contribute to the growth of the district and act as a breeding ground for criminal activity.
Pollock said she believed that Suffolk has gone through the proper process and that the new building will not have a detrimental impact on the area as demolition of other buildings will.
"This is a unique site because there will be a building to replace the building being torn down," said Pollock.
Last week, the Boston Globe reported the new building will cost Suffolk $60 million to build. David J. Sargent, president of Suffolk, told the Suffolk Journal last semester the new building would cost somewhere between $35 million to $40 million, but no firm figures have been made.
Suffolk has been searching for additional property for classroom and office space since last year when a deal to acquire the Women's City Club building on Beacon Street fell through.
Paying $7.2 million dollars for the Beacon Hill mansion, Suffolk had planned to open an alumni association facility and move its administrative offices into the building.
The university backed out of the deal when several preservationist and community groups opposed Suffolk's expansion into the residential side of the hill.
Last September, Suffolk made a bond issue of $32.9 million. Nearly $20 million of the issuing went to refinancing of the bonds used for the purchase of the Student Activities Building and the construction of the Ridgeway Building. The remaining funds will have been earmarked for the acquisition of additional property, namely the Tremont Street sites.
Sargent told the Journal in an interview last semester that Suffolk would be applying for federal grants, launch a capital campaign, and use bond issuing to raise money for the construction of the new law school.
Additionally, Sargent said, any cost accrued by the acquisition and construction of the new law school building would be burdened by the law school.
Everybody Deserves A Little Attention!

The Suffolk Journal has made tremendous strides in our performance and coverage over the past year. This would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of so many people. In recognition of this hard work, we ask you, our readers, to nominate the best of the best on the Journal staff for the first ever Suffolk Journal Excellence Awards

Nominate our staff and sections in the following categories:

**Reporter of the Year:**
For the most significant and outstanding contribution to the Suffolk Journal in reporting news, features, specialties, editorials and commentaries, and sports. This award is based on the number of contributions, writing style, accuracy, and assistance given to other reporters and editors.

**Section of the Year:**
For the most outstanding section of the Suffolk Journal in the areas of coverage, page design, accuracy, style and organization. Sections eligible for consideration are News, Lifestyles, Sports, Editorial, Specialties, Campus Spotlight, Nubian Record, Business Page, Media Careers, International Exchange, Alternative Life, Voices of Suffolk, and others. Awards will be presented to the editor or special editor and the staff of the section. The SGA special election page and Valentine's Day page are ineligible for this award.

**Best News Story**
For the single best news story written by a Suffolk Journal staff member or contributing reporter for the year. Winner will be determined by the accuracy, style, and comprehensive coverage of the subject.

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For the single best feature story written by a Suffolk Journal staff member or contributing reporter for the Lifestyles section. Winner will be determined by the accuracy, style, and comprehensive coverage of the subject.

**Best Sports Story**
For the single best sports story of the year by a Suffolk Journal staff member or contributing reporter for the Suffolk Sports section. Winner will be determined by the accuracy, style, and comprehensive coverage of the subject.

**Best Specialities Story**
For the single best specialties story from any of the Suffolk Journal's specialties or special interest sections, written by a Journal staff member or contributing reporter, or special to the Journal. Winner will be determined by the accuracy, style, and comprehensive coverage of the subject.

**Best Column, Commentary, or Editorial**
For the best opinion column, commentary, or editorial by a Journal staff writer or Suffolk student. Nominations will be considered on the basis of reader's response, nominator's comments, clarity, subject matter, and style. Submissions from faculty, staff, and non-Suffolk students or employees are ineligible.

**Best Photograph**
For the best photograph taken by a Suffolk Journal staff or contributing photographer. Photos will be judged by the art work, its relation to a corresponding story (if any), quality of the print, and appearance. Certain file photos, public relations photos, free-lance photos, wire photos, and photos appearing in the Voices of Suffolk are ineligible.

**Quote of the Year**
For the best "Quote of the Week," as judged by our readers, determined by the most nominations received. The top three quotes will be named as nominees. Quotes from stories, commentaries, or entries with the nomination process which did not appear in the "Quote of the Week" are ineligible.

Nomination forms will be available March 25 at the Student Activities Office and the Suffolk Journal office. Nominations should include the reporter's and section's name, story headlines, specific examples of their work, and the date the story appeared in the paper. Awards will be given at the Suffolk Journal Excellence Awards Ceremony, time and date to be announced. Nominations will be accepted until April 16.
"More than three million women have been battered each year by their husbands or boyfriends and 1.5 million more have been murdered. Every 15 seconds a woman is battered and every hour 240 women will be battered."

Domestic violence: a crime not to be ignored

By Cheryl Curtis

Domestic violence is not a crime that should be kept behind closed doors, although some may disagree. It is a national problem that needs to be recognized more by the federal and state government as well as the community. Not as a crime of drug or alcohol abuse or rape, but as the crime of domestic violence.

According to the National Crime Survey, men commit 95 percent of all assaults against their spouses. Wife battering, which results in more medical injury than rape, is defined as a man trying to gain control by using physical force on his partner. More than one-third of all women treated in emergency rooms were there as a result of domestic violence.

More than three million women have been battered each year by their husbands or boyfriends and 1.5 million more have been murdered. Every 15 seconds a woman is battered and every hour 240 women will be battered. This abuse not only affects the women, but it also affects their children, thus will influence future social patterns.

The number of children witnessing domestic violence each year is 3.3 million. One of the prime reasons a woman will not leave an abusive man is because of the children. There is a threat that if she leaves the abusive relationship, the children may be taken away from her or harmed themselves.

In an abusive home, the mother can become unstable and unable to care for the children. Without the proper counseling or support, children may turn to drugs, get involved with the wrong in gangs, perform poorly in school, and develop obnoxious attitudes just to draw attention. This may seem only like a threat to the family but in the long run it is a threat to society because the deterioration of the family structure impacts all of society, not just the particular family.

A study done by a California state prison found that 93 percent of the women who killed their partner had been battered by them. Out of the 93 percent, 67 percent said they did it to protect their children. Each year 40 percent of abusive families are turned down by shelters due to lack of space. So where do they turn? To the streets? What effects does this leave on the children?

The Massachusetts Coalition for Battered Women Service Group in Boston says, the state should make getting a restraining order an easier process and the restraining order should be enforced. This could at least keep the abuser away on a temporary basis.

Also the federal and state government need to treat domestic violence as a health and social issue. There is a need to educate judges of the importance of this issue so that women can get immediate responses to their problem. Women should be informed if their ex-husband or ex-boyfriend is being released from prison. More money should be allocated by the state to provide more shelters space and treatment facilities. In 1974 there were no shelters, no community acknowledgment or any laws to protect women against domestic violence. Today, there are 1,400 shelters and more than 2,000 programs to educate women, children, and society about domestic violence. There has been progress over the years but more is needed, especially in terms of funding.

Money could be used for low-income and affordable housing or more emergency shelters. Child support laws could be enforced more stringently if a woman does get the courage to leave. Health care could be provided for the woman and her children.

By the time you have read this an average of 16 women have been battered. This needs to come to an end. If you would like to help the cause of battered women call the Mass Coalition for Battered Women Service Group in Boston at (617) 426-8492 or Casa Myrna Vasquez (617) 262-5381.

Cheryl Curtis is a contributing reporter to the Suffolk Journal.

Nomination for Intercultural Initiative Awards

Suffolk University's InterCultural Affairs Committee (ICAC) is soliciting nominations for our Intercultural Initiative Awards. The three categories of recipients are: student; faculty, staff or administrator; and alumnus or alumna.

Criteria for nominations include, but are not limited to, the following: initiative in the development of Intercultural programs, leadership and presentations in the community, participation in international and Intercultural activities, sensitivity to cultural diversity, and encouragement of harmony, respect and understanding among people.

- 1992 Award recipients: James Christian, class of 1993; Paul Kom, Professor of Psychology Services; Sharon Lee, MEd, 1987; Pat Walsh, Special Recognition Award.
- 1991 Award recipients: Rachelle M. Tayag, class of 1992; Judith Dushka, Associate Professor, Government Department, Suffolk University; and Robert W. Ward, JD78, Assistant Professor, New England School of Law.
- 1990 Award recipients: Nicole Alexander, class of 1992; Valerie C. Epps, Professor of Law, Suffolk Law School; and Noral L. Toney, MEd88, Teacher; David A. Ellis School, Roxbury.

The awards will be presented at the Intercultural Initiative Award Reception on Monday, April 26, 1993, in the Vice-President's Conference Room, One Beacon Street, 29th floor, starting at 3:30 p.m.

Nomination applications are available in the International Student Office Ridgeway Building, 3rd floor, telephone number (617) 573-8239 or 573-8154.

ICAC

- It is the mission and the intention of the Intercultural Affairs Committee to:
  - Add to the Suffolk community's awareness and appreciation of its multi-faceted International dimensions
  - Contribute to the local community's awareness of the realities of an Increasingly interdependent world as reflected in the Suffolk Community
  - Provide support to the international members of the Suffolk University community

A Commentary

- "Domestic violence: a crime not to be ignored" by Cheryl Curtis, The Suffolk Journal, Wednesday, March 24, 1993

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He feels that by making the information available, faculty will strive to improve their teaching methods. "There is nothing like measuring to improve quality," he said, "because measure motivates.

Now that proponents succeeded in making evaluations public in SOM, the issue of whether CLAS will follow their lead is now the question. Briggs said that some SOM faculty members and himself are concerned about the quality of CLAS courses and feel they should be made accessible as well.

He said because half of the courses that his students are required to take are in CLAS, he feels that he should be able to advise his students on course and professor selection. Without the availability of evaluations, he said he can not adequately advise his students because he has nothing as a basis of evaluation.

He said he is concerned for his students and whether or not they are getting their money's worth and thinks it is unfair to the students not to have access to such evaluations.

Vicki M. Ford, library assistant at the Mildred F. Sawyer Library, said that not many SOM students have checked out the evaluations and feels that unawareness of availability may be a factor.

Ken DiBlasi, junior, marketing, said he knows that the evaluations are now available, but does not think many students will take advantage of them. "I think it's more word of mouth that determines how they will choose their classes. I think the teachers will be more worried about it than anything else."

Briggs said that the availability of the evaluations has to be made more widely known, but says he is very excited that Suffolk has started making accessibility to evaluations an issue on campus.

Swastika found in Harvard dormitory

College Press Service

Students recently found a swastika and graffiti on a wall in a Harvard University dormitory where several Jewish students live, the Harvard Crimson reported.

Abigail S. Kolodny, a sophomore who discovered the vandalism, told the paper she was "deeply offended" by the act. Kolodny, who is Jewish, said others in her dorm were similarly horrified.

The incident was under investigation by the Harvard police. Because Lowell House was open to outsiders for a recent opera and other events, officials said there was a possibility that non-students were responsible for the incident.

According to the Crimson, several swastikas appeared in the elevator of another residential building in November, prompting students to respond with a written petition condemning the act.
Ronayne to seek faculty interest in release of prof. evaluations

By Lorraine M.K. Palmer
Journal Staff

Now that the School of Management has students evaluations of their professors on reserve in the Mildred F. Sawyer Library, the dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Dr. Michael R. Ronayne will ask CLAS faculty their views on the issue to see if there is any interest in providing the same document for CLAS students.

As a student government association project about 10 years ago, members of SGA went into the classrooms and did their own course and professor evaluations. The project was called "Of Course," and the results were published and sold for a nominal fee in the cafeteria to interested students. The CLAS faculty decided against combining their end-of-semester evaluations with the SGA’s results, and the issue has not been raised again until now.

With the SOM evaluations on reserve in the library, some CLAS students feel that it would be beneficial if CLAS provided the same opportunity for them.

Amy Hartnett, sophomore, biology, said, “It’s better to get an overall opinion of what a professor is like. When you ask your friends, you can get many different opinions, because certain students like different kinds of professors.”

Nelda Valeri, junior, elementary education, said she would definitely take advantage of the opportunity of student access to faculty evaluations.

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Suffolk Sports

Don't write the Bruins off in the playoffs just yet

By Chris Olson
Journal Staff

As the National Hockey League season comes to a close in the Adams Division standings, the month of March has seen the Bruins go 9-3, climbing to within one point of the second place Quebec Nordiques and five points behind the Adams Division-leading Montreal Canadiens, with Andy Moog spearheading the club’s last resurgence. Moog has regained the form that has taken the Bruins to the Stanley Cup finals once and the Wales Conference finals twice in the last three years. Moog’s record is currently 28-13-4, with a .936 goals against average. His goals against figure isn’t as impressive as rookie John Blue’s, but Moog has come up big when the team has needed it, in the closing minutes of a close game. Whether the Bruins have depth or not, everyone knows that their goalie, Moog, has managed to deal with the loss of Cam Neely, thanks mostly in part to Adam Oates. Oates, previously known solely for his assists to former St. Louis Blues inomate Brett Hull, has taken over the role of the Bruins’ primary goal scorer. Neely has eclipsed his previous career-high for points in a season, and leads the Bruins in goals (41), assists (80), points (121), power-play goals (22) and game-winning goals (8). Whether the Bruins have depth or not, everyone knows that their goalie, Moog, has managed to deal with the loss of Cam Neely, thanks mostly in part to Adam Oates. Oates, previously known solely for his assists to former St. Louis Blues inomate Brett Hull, has taken over the role of the Bruins’ primary goal scorer. Neely has eclipsed his previous career-high for points in a season, and leads the Bruins in goals (41), assists (80), points (121), power-play goals (22) and game-winning goals (8). Whether the Bruins have depth or not, everyone knows that their goalie, Moog, has managed to deal with the loss of Cam Neely, thanks mostly in part to Adam Oates. Oates, previously known solely for his assists to former St. Louis Blues inomiate Brett Hull, has taken over the role of the Bruins’ primary goal scorer. Neely has eclipsed his previous career-high for points in a season, and leads the Bruins in goals (41), assists (80), points (121), power-play goals (22) and game-winning goals (8).

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**A Grim Reminder**

**AIDS Quilt Displayed At Suffolk**

Sections of the AIDS quilt were displayed in the Ridgeway Gymnasium on Wednesday, March 10 and Thursday March 11 in order to spread awareness of this terrible disease that has touched so many of us.

The "Names Project" wants to show that these people who have fallen are more than just numbers, they are individuals.

The spectators who viewed the quilt talked about how they all had had friends and loved ones fall prey to the wave of this deadly virus. As each panel is added to the quilt, everyone of us is eventually bound to know someone who has been infected.

The AIDS quilt is not only a memorial but a warning that no one is invulnerable to the tide of this epidemic.

The AIDS quilt was sponsored by Program Council, SGA, COP, Counseling Center, Student Activities, Dean Stoll, and President Sargent.

"AIDS 101: Get The Facts" lecture coming to Suffolk

Promoting awareness here at Suffolk University is the main goal of this year's annual Education and Human Services symposium. The symposium, titled "AIDS 101: Get the Facts," will be held Thursday, April 1 in Archer 365, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

After a five year hiatus from the topic, EHS faculty in connection with the AIDS Action Committee have developed an agenda that will hopefully aid students in understanding the changing body of knowledge of AIDS research.

"Our focus is to take things that seem to relate to what is going on in people's experience, whether it is something they think about or that they are unconsciously aware of," Education and Human Services chairperson Dr. Glen Eskedal said. "The data has changed since we have done our last symposium on AIDS back in 1988. Most of us don't keep up with it."

Ballotti Learning Center Director and Associate EHS Professor Susan Thayer has been working closely with the AIDS Action Committee to provide speakers who will talk about topics ranging from learning the basic facts about AIDS to issues affecting people who are HIV positive or have full-blown AIDS. Both speakers are infected with the virus.

Director of Health Services Margaret Fitzgerald will also be speaking on HIV/AIDS resources available at Suffolk University in terms of providing information, free screenings, testing, referral sources, and counseling. AIDS handouts and packets will also be available for anyone wishing more information.

Since the symposium follows the exhibition of the AIDS quilt on campus during Cultural Diversity Week, organizers are expecting nothing less than a full house. So far, reactions to the AIDS symposium are positive, with a majority of students stating that this issue is not only timely, but something vital for surviving in today's society.

A reception, free and open to anyone wishing to attend, will be held in the Munce Conference Room (Archer 110) immediately following the symposium.

For more information on the symposium contact Michael Plante at the Department of Education and Human Services (573-8261).