Two stabbed following cruise

by Elizabeth Anderson

Two men are still being sought in connection with the stabbing of a Suffolk senior and a Suffolk graduate following a "booze cruise" on Friday, September 26.

Jim McPartlin, 21, of Quincy and Steven Herring, 21, of Malden were injured after disembarking a cruise boat which had been chartered by Suffolk's Program Council.

The condition of both men at press time was listed as good.

McPartlin was stabbed in the stomach and taken to Boston City Hospital. According to Duane Anderson and Margaret Higgins, the directors of student activities here at Suffolk, McPartlin sustained his injuries while on the floating dock, just beneath the gang plank.

Herring, a 1986 graduate of Suffolk, was treated for a punctured lung beneath the gang plank.

"The entire incident happened in about 3 to 5 minutes," Higgins said.

In a telephone interview, Herring described the fight as being like a tornado. "It happened so fast. I was off the gang-plank with my friend. All of a sudden there was a big fight where people were getting off the boat. It came toward us and went past."

The incident has been described by witnesses as having taken place too fast to pinpoint the exact cause of the altercation.

"It was broken up immediately. It would appear that it (the stabbing) was a re-ignition of that incident," Anderson added however, that he did not wish to speculate further on this point as it has not been proven.

"It wasn't until Monday that we realized that Steve and Jim were not in the same place. Such pandemonium was taking place that we didn't understand what was going on. We understood that Steve was injured while ending up something. He (Herring) thought it was Jim, we thought it was Jim."

Herring maintained that the alleged assailant(s) were not Suffolk students. "These guys weren't from Suffolk. They were trouble-makers out of society. It really ruined a good time."

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The ship where the incident took place

Anderson said that there had been an eyewitness during the cruise involving McPartlin and his girlfriend.

"It was an eyewitness," Higgins said.

Duane Anderson wished to comment on the pending suit.

The Boston case is considered perhaps the leading case in the nation to help determine the constitutionality of public-employee drug testing.

At issue is whether drug testing violates the Fourth Amendment's guarantee of the right to freedom from unreasonable searches and seizures - the "search" in this case, of a person's body and the "seizure" of a sample of urine to determine the presence of drugs.

Duane Anderson wished to comment on the pending suit. The Frederick Nolan, Jr. The ship is owned by Boston Herbor Cruises. According to Anderson, when the crew realized that a fight was going on outside the boat, they immediately stopped the remaining passengers from leaving the ship, thus preventing more people from getting involved.

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Student Activities Office, the Campus Coordinating Council, the Suffolk's Program Council and the Suffolk's Program Council are all available to those students who are upset about the incident.
Guilty, where she stayed until transferred to prison. Innocent until proven guilty, her best friend, she was deemed incompetent to stand trial. She has been barred from calling her family for help. Yet she has never been convicted of a crime.

The state has no secure facilities for mentally ill women. When Spero was arrested and charged with the murder of her best friend, she was deemed incompetent to stand trial. She was sent to prison, innocent until proven guilty, where she remained. She has been stripped naked and handcuffed to her bed. She has been shot up with mood-altering drugs. She has been deprived of sleep, denied the use of her hands, and strip-searched. She has been confined for most of her stay to solitary, and her weight has dropped to 100 pounds as a result of involuntary drugging.

It is entirely possible that Spero would be able to stand trial while under the stabilizing influence of drugs. However, she is legally entitled to refuse such a trial and her lawyer has stood by this option. The Catch-22 that presents is unavoidable. Still, the state cannot be allowed to mistreat mental patients strictly on the basis of sex. It is the worst kind of discrimination.

The battle surrounding the need for women's "secure-care" facilities dates back a decade. Since the 1970s decisions to deinstitutionalize mental patients was passed, the state has failed to set up a system for community-based mental health services. The lack of proper treatment has led to a worsening of Spero's condition. A diagnosis of paranoid schizophrenia with suicidal tendencies, she has been confined for most of her stay to solitary, and her weight has dropped from 135 pounds to 250 pounds before dropping to 100 pounds as a result of involuntary drugging.

We are currently working in cooperation with the administration to set up this task force to look into the problems surrounding Suffolk's social events, in lieu of recent alterations.

Suffolk's director of campus security, said that holding several alcoholic events on one day is one of the major problems that the task force will be investigating, as well as ticket selling.

We think we're getting screwed," said Ed Proctor, in reference to the bookstore. Proctor, who was appointed by SGA to research the bookstore, added that he wants to go over the bookstore's contract to see if they have exclusive rights to selling books on campus. Proctor brought up the idea of a book swap, mentioned last week by student Activities Director Duane Anderson, but until the contract is carefully examined no plans can be made.

SGA UPDATE

by Rick Dunn

The Student Government Association is putting together a task force to look into the problems surrounding Suffolk's social events, in lieu of recent alterations.

Freshman/Sophomore semi-formal

The Freshman/Sophomore semi-formal will be held at Lombardos in East Boston on November 14, according to Brian Hardiman of the Freshman/Sophomore committee. It will be the committee's first event of the semester.

Senior Portraits

Senior portraits for the Beacon yearbook will be taken October 20-24 in Fenton 134c. Beacon Yearbook Editor Paula Franzese said portraits will be taken at no charge. A $5 fee will be charged for portraits that are taken that are not used in the yearbook.

Sweatshirts

Saladino noted that SGA is having Suffolk sweatshirts made. However, unlike the Program Council who subsidized their own sweatshirts, SGA members will have to purchase the sweatshirts themselves. "As elected officials we don't think it was a good idea," said Saladino of the Program Council allocating budget money to buy their own sweatshirts. "We think we can spend our money better."

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Suffering in the name of science
by Elizabeth Anderson

My dog Babe had to be put to sleep recently, which is a nice way of saying she had to be put down. She was 11 years old, sick, age ravaged her physical and mental faculties. I woke up one morning to find her sleeping, hanging over the poor, as she lay bleeding and crying. It was 5:00 a.m., and this had been going on all night. Heartbreaking as it was, I felt so relieved when I called my mother from school to have me come over. It's over. It was just unbearable to know she was wide awake and suffering. I don't think that she could have told us earlier where it hurt.

I just hope that her dog brain comprehended in her final hours that she loved her and took care of her that we knew how. In many ways, this is a relief.

This planet is full of suffering, both human and animal. Much of it is uncontrollable. Again, we are frustrated because we can't feed every hungry Ethiopian. We can't shelter every impoverished Filipino child. We can't rescue every American street girl who is abused by sick adults. We do what we can and pray that our contributions make a difference somewhere to someone.

There is much needless suffering going on in this country, in this state. The victims don't speak any language known to man. They are animals and they are tortured by atrocities every day in laboratories across the nation during experiments. How can we as human beings tolerate the torture of living feeling and thinking beings in the name of science?

This planet has sparked extreme feelings from all sides as of late. Cruel and needless experiments on live, unanesthetized animals have been performed for at least 70 years. It has not been until recently that a concerned group of veterinarians, concerned for the pain and suffering of these animals, decided to do something about it. The group is small in numbers, but they are working to bring animal rights to the forefront of the public mind.

In other words, in the year 1986, we can't begins to comprehend in her last hours that we had seen her through the worst of it. We have never been able to find a way to express gratitude for all of the wonderful things that she has done in her life.

Two weeks ago, a landmark ordinance was brought before the Cambridge City Council. If passed, the law, called the Ordinance for Responsible Research, would mandate proper veterinary care, the use of anesthetics and painkillers, and access to the labs by responsible citizens. The ordinance defines an animal as any non-human sentient being. In other words, animals can feel and cringe from pain. The Cambridge Ordinance for Responsible Research pushed for the ordinance after evidence was produced which proves that last years, 50,000 animals were destroyed using obsolete and painful procedures in Cambridge alone.

The institutions that were under fire were obviously Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Representatives from these schools and others including Boston University and the University of Massachusetts attended the meeting. Faculty, researchers and students expressed their anger that the labs will not allow people to check the facilities, even with precautions for hygiene and the like have been taken.

The argument against the ordinance was based upon the alleged hindrance to research and insults to scientists. Dr. Dwight Hacker, famed for developing the pacemaker, pleaded to the councilors that the ordinance might not be passed. "We are not trying to conceal anything. We are regulated by state and federal laws," he said.

It just so happens that the labs at the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia University, two respected institutions which received federal money, were closed down recently when it was discovered that these universities were wasting government money and animal life on useless and painful experiments. Many animals were so sick before being experimented on that the experiments backfired.

It is an unjustifiable belief that animal rights will not meet with criticism and opposition from a researcher's brusque ego or inconvenience. One woman at this meeting said that if the Cambridge City ordinance was written with the same motive as that of the U.S. Constitution. That is to say that it was developed and to protect and the very worst of offenders. The rest have, in no way, been saved to find an animal alternative for inhumane experiments. However, it is hardly conceivable that in the year 1986 we can't find a humane alternative to vivisection, trauma tests, and other such procedures. At the very least, we could trouble ourselves to make the animals comfortable and eliminate obsolete procedures. We have to share this earth with them and they deserve our respect.

If the city of Cambridge, which has always been famous for setting examples to the rest of the country, passes this ordinance, the precedent could ignite similar moves across the nation. If one animal is spared, it will be worth it.

So, Babe old girl, this one is for you and all the other voiceless wards of that superior species known as the human race.
Bio labs nearly complete

by Robert Hanson

Renovations to the biology department, on the fifth and sixth floors of the Archer building, are a month overdue and will probably not be completed by the end of this semester.

Edward Farren, Assistant Director of the Physical Plant, said that there were no problems with the actual construction; the delay is due mainly to the slow acquisition of the needed materials.

Dr. Arthur West, head of the biology department, added that getting the materials through the crowded, multi-levelled halls of the Archer building took time. He also said that there was an initial delay in obtaining the two building permits needed from City Hall.

The reconstruction has caused some inconvenience for the faculty and students.

"We were given the option to discontinue the courses for one year. I wish we had taken that option," said West, half in jest.

West noted, however, that that would have been impractical. "The entire faculty would have to be paid full time and special accommodations would have to be made for the students."

Most labs started one week late. There was only one cancellation due to overpowering fumes from the newly painted rooms.

Faculty are now sharing offices. Lectures are being held on other floors and buildings. (The law school has provided rooms in the Donahue building.) All labs are being held in either the organic chemistry labs, which are not being renovated, or the genetics lab, which has been remodelled and enlarged.

The sixteen students enrolled in microbiology are the only ones without a lab period.

West said, "The fact that we're finally getting the facilities we need is keeping the faculty tranquil."

It is slightly different with the students.

At one point, on hearing a lab was cancelled, several students immediately complained to the dean. It was soon learned that the lab had been moved, not cancelled.

The estimated cost of the renovations is $2 million. According to West, most of the funds are coming from alumni donations and grants, not from Suffolk University.

Most of the improvements are on the fifth floor of Archer. The genetics lab was enlarged to hold twenty students rather than twelve. The two over-sized labs on the west side will be converted into three more specialized labs.

On the east side of the hall, the men's lavatory was removed so that the microbiology and botany labs could be enlarged.

The entire floor is being designed to conform to the lab equipment. Previously the lab equipment was brought in to conform to the floor plan.

A new "cold room", used to simulate marine conditions, will replace the old, deteriorated one. The animal research lab will have a controlled environment to prevent animals from dying, especially during the winter.

The physiology lab appears to be the one farthest from completion. Dan Hichman, majoring in biology, described it as "rubble in Beirut."

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One life under the Monkee influence

Two Sides of Hell

by Sandra Miller

My favorite was Davy. For a while, anyway. I quickly added Davy was the only cute Brit. He had the biggest brown eyes, and the most kissable lips, and the most sincere songs (including a love song for me) and he sang to me. OK, I was seven. A second-generation Monkee fan, I was new to the band, and was lusting to see...well, just anything they sang to me. I couldn't comprehend whether Davy's new girlfriend would meet. The Monkees were hip, goofy, gross sideburns! He rarely sang and...yes, I was seven. A second-generation Monkee influence to back Saturday morning cartoon comedy-musical-variety-series! I had to make do with a yearly showing of "Help" (does anyone remember?) usually coupled with the strange cartoon "Yellow Submarine." I grew hungry for an additional quartet and was willing to accept inferior imitations, while still maintaining at least aural allegiance to the "Fab Four." For a while, anyway. I quickly added Davy was the only cute Brit. He had the biggest brown eyes, and the most kissable lips, and the most sincere songs (including a love song for me) and he sang to me. OK, I was seven. A second-generation Monkee influence.

While lead singer Brian Johnson screamed his lungs out, and for some reason, simultaneously grabbed at his crotch (probably straining for the high note) before reaching as Mick Jagger's lips, I've been continuously searching for a more somber tone to worship at a false temperities before finding it. Angus Young is now my favorite AC/DC is inListen. Arriving at this pinnacle of born again musicality was no cake walk over water, but the opening of the show...with a great cover of an old school classic, it was like nothing I've seen before. I clapped politely and nibbled on brie and...well, just anything they sang to me. I couldn't comprehend whether Davy's new girlfriend would meet. The Monkees were hip, goofy, gross sideburns! He rarely sang and...yes, I was seven. A second-generation Monkee influence.

Beyond the AC/DC - Salvation

by Doreen Iudica

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I had grown up as a staunch Beatles groupie. But being the adolescent video junkie Time Magazine claimed that I was, I started to develop the hots for the Monkees. These were the days of Monkee paws and brass buttons. But which one? Mike was the intelligent one, but was also the mostremoved and more obviously the homeliest. I couldn't comprehend why he wore that on his head unless he had a bad case of dandruff. And those gross sideburns! He rarely sang and...well, just anything they sang to me. I couldn't comprehend whether Davy's new girlfriend would meet. The Monkees were hip, goofy, gross sideburns! He rarely sang and...yes, I was seven. A second-generation Monkee influence.

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The Sox were struggling and had lost 13 of 19 games. It was a tough road, with losses against teams that they should have beaten and a frustrating season with injuries and poor performances. However, the Sox were determined to prove themselves and earned a key win against the Angels. The game was packed with intensity and excitement, with the Sox eventually prevailing.

In other news, the women's tennis team had strong performances, and the men's cross country team took second place. The baseball team was also in action, with some promising results. Overall, it was a successful week for the team, and they were looking forward to the upcoming games.
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