GMLS goes public: seeks recognition

by Bernadette Smyth

Over the last few years, the Gay Men and Lesbians at Suffolk (GMLS) organization has evolved on campus. "It used to feel so overwhelming that most gay and lesbian students were afraid to be seen at GMLS meetings for fear of being shunned and verbally abused by other students," she said.

"There were many years when the students didn't even want the room number put on the bulletin. It is only in the last two or three years that the group has decided to meet publicly," said Sanford.

"As the climate changes on campus the gay and lesbian students feel more comfortable about being visible. This makes me glad for everybody, not just the gay and lesbian students," added Sanford.

However, being homosexual in society, and in Suffolk, is still a scary and threatening issue for many gays and lesbians "coming out." Many have come from a high school where they have been called names, and have learned the price of honesty. This aggravates the already existent problem of insecurity for them.

"Leaving High School is often a time when you are finding yourself," said Claudio, "and we honor and respect the need for confidentiality from many of our members."

"One of our purposes here at Suffolk is to provide a public support service for kids who are feeling isolated because of being gay."

GMLS has received support from the Counselling Center since it began.

Turtle Island natives discuss culture, shatter myths

by Heather A. Swails

In its continuing efforts to promote cross-cultural understanding in the community, Suffolk last week hosted the Native American Awareness Program directed by Tim Red Loon, a Micmac native. Along with Iroquois/Quahog native Glen Three Hawks, Red Loon was a special guest in several class sessions, giving lectures on Native American life and culture. They also touched upon many of the issues facing the native peoples of what they call "Turtle Island"—North America.

"First of all, I would like to tell you that Native Americans are living, breathing people today," Red Loon told students in Professor John Cavanagh's Mesoamerican History class. "They are following many of the basic attitudes they've had for thousands and thousands of years."

Red Loon, who is also a special education teacher in addition to being director of the program, has been giving presentations on native issues for several years. As a warrior of his people, Red Loon explained, he uses education to fight the misconceptions that mainstream American culture has about the natives of Turtle Island. "We still must fight for our people," he said. "But in different arenas... My weapon is education."

Red Loon and Three Hawks explained that natives are constantly under attack from prejudice and stereotyping. Three Hawks brought the point home as he described how non-native children react to meeting "a real Indian."

"When they see a real Indian they think, "That Indian is going to kill me because that's what Indians are." they said, pointing out that non-natives are brought up with the idea that natives are war-waging savages—a stereotype which is aided by old western movies.

Red Loon and Three Hawks also pointed out that both the U.S. and the Canadian governments maintain a prejudicial attitude towards natives and do little to improve their condition, which on many reservations is horrendous.

"I am angered because I have friends who starve in this country as we sit here today," said Red Loon. "(I am angered) at your government that continues to attack Native Americans."

Red Loon explained that the native peoples just want to be themselves and to be recognized as such.

"We don't want to be Americans. We want to maintain our own identity...be who our parents were and our grandparents," he said.

Red Loon described the movement towards traditionalism among many native peoples today.

"The effort to find the Native Indian people today is to get back to the old way," he said.

Especially in the west, Red Loon said, unemployment and alcoholism rates on the reservations are phenomenal. Unemployment on western reservations such as Pine Ridge is approximately 90 percent. Alcoholism runs between 70 and 80 percent.

"Indian people are not given the opportunity to work...or better themselves. There is an incredible amount of...."
Every penny counts

Walking down to Park Street to catch the Red Line to South Station, where I get on the train that takes me home, I passed a woman in a thin coat, standing with a container in her hands, which she had withdrawn into her coat sleeves for warmth. It was a chilly evening and the wind was beginning to blow the dry leaves on the Common. "Spare some change for the homeless?"

The woman asked this question of several people—to no avail. I'm sure she had asked the question of other people. What did she have to show for it? A few coins that probably didn't amount to enough to purchase a cup of coffee. The people just walked by, either pretending that they didn't see her shivering there or shaking their heads in regret, as if to say, "Do I look like I have any change to spare?"

I knew I had about a dollar in change in the bottom of my pocket. I usually do—it accumulates, you know, after a week of running back and forth between the Journal office and the soda-vending machines on the bottom floor of Fenton. Why couldn't I spare those four coins? I wasn't really using them for anything. They would probably end up in the bottom of the washing machine or in a corner of my desk drawer.

So, when she asked me, "Spare any change for the homeless?", I stopped, dug into my pocket, and brought out the coins—along with a five dollar bill I had forgotten about. I dropped the coins into her container, which had bold letters plastered on the front of it: Help the HOMELESS. I looked at the five-dollar bill and then at her, explaining that I needed that to get home (which I did). She nodded in understanding, a sad look on her face.

I felt the error as soon as it passed my lips and immediately wished it unsaid. I was feeling an apologetic look, wondering where she would be sleeping on that cold night. I must admit, I don't always volunteer my spare change. I often find myself in too much of a hurry to stop and dig out spare change. Sometimes I don't trust the motives for changing hands.

"I've been called a 'tucker' by some of my colleagues for offering my nickels and dimes to those in need," I said. "I must admit, I don't always volunteer my spare change. I often find myself in too much of a hurry to stop and dig out spare change. Sometimes I don't trust the motives for changing hands."

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When Rock Hudson, one of America's most loved leading men, died of AIDS and it was revealed that he was also a homosexual, the sympathy changed to curiosity. More attention was paid to the ensuing lawsuits by Hudson's former lovers than to the fundraisers arranged in his honor.

Disarraying homophobia, does this mean we are supposed to be unsympathetic to those that might be thought of as deserving what they got? Hudson never received the sympathy or support that Magic Johnson is receiving today. If it were revealed tomorrow that Magic Johnson had just one homosexual encounter, more than likely the well of sympathy and support would go dry.

Besides, if you are homosexual and contract AIDS, are you getting what you deserve because you knew the risk? If that, then Magic Johnson holds no recourse for his promiscuity.

The same holds true for Kimberly Bergalis. If it were revealed that she had just one sexual encounter that one encounter would be enough to destroy her credibility.

AIDS is the fastest growing preventable health risk in the world. It is not a homosexual disease. It is not a drug user's disease. It is a human disease which is claiming more lives every day. The meaningless labeling of who is and who is not a victim must stop if we are going to combat this disease and not hold prejudice against those unfortunate enough to fall prey to the virus.

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Last September, Kimberly Bergalis, a 23 year old from Florida, caught national attention when she testified before Congress, calling for legislation that would require the testing of health care workers for AIDS. Bergalis was one of five people to contract the AIDS virus from Florida dentist Dr. David Acer, who has since died from illnesses related to AIDS.

What made Bergalis so unique was that she was a virgin. She never had intercourse of any kind, never received a blood transfusion, and never used any intravenous drugs. Kimberly simply acquired AIDS by having her teeth drilled and all during her testimony the soundbites on the six o'clock news reverberated with "an innocent victim of the AIDS virus."

The two unique AIDS cases of Magic Johnson and Kimberly Bergalis present an interesting question to society concerning infection or preventable diseases. Is there such a distinction between innocent and guilty when it comes to diseases? Both Bergalis and Johnson have been portrayed as victims not deserving such condemnation as the AIDS virus brings. Because one was a virgin and the other heterosexual (and promiscuous), does that make them innocent victims of an innocent disease? And further, does the homosexual who chooses his or her sexual practices and contracts the virus make them guilty or deserving of such retribution?

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The editors of the Suffolk Journal, in the last edition of the Suffolk Journal, it was inadvertently reported in our story on City-Year that Sarah McNaught said that the Suffolk volunteers would have to ride to the project site in a van with blacked out windows. The comments that were made by Phil Sigma Sigma president Alysa Glazer.

In addition, the waivers which Glazer referred to in her remarks were not for release of libel by Riverside Mental Institute, rather it was more of a prophylactic to protect the confidentiality of the residents of the home. The editors of the Suffolk Journal would like to apologize for the appearance of the "City-Year" story, its inadvertent error and confusion. The story was laid on the page incorrectly and was published backwards. We apologize for any misunderstanding or confusion caused by our mistake.
Sex and the AIDS risk
by Ron Vining

On Thursday, November 7, 1991, time stood still. I was working at One Beacon Street when my friend, Rich, said, "Did you hear? Magic Johnson has AIDS." My reply was something like, "Yea, nice joke." Rich said, "No, I'm serious." Then Rich listened to the radio, and at 5:45 pm, he said, "Magic Johnson has AIDS." I felt sad, empty, and astonished.

For the first time in my life, AIDS was not just a disease that other people get. It hit home. Anyone can contract the virus. Call me ignorant for not really realizing this before, but I bet each one of us has said, "Yea, I'm okay. I'm safe." The question we need to ask ourselves is are we really safe?

From watching the news, I learned that one out of every 120 million people in America have AIDS. Did you know that approximately 1 out of every 100 college students are infected with the HIV virus? As of October 1991, there were 896 AIDS cases reported in our state, but with 4,000 people a day in Massachusetts contracting the virus, this number will be rising rapidly.

How can you tell who has the virus? You can't just look at someone and tell that they are infected. Before, we would be homophobic when we thought of AIDS. This deadly disease is not just for homosexuals or IV drug users anymore. It is not just a heterosexual disease that has no prejudice. Black-white, male-female, straight-gay... it does not matter!

The symptoms can be anything from just a cold, muscle aches and pains, or the club, "the chick/stud" you scoop at a party... do they have AIDS? How about that nice person you talk to in the class, one you think is so innocent, do you know their history? Do you think that the person/people that are intimate with a thirty-two year old, charismatic, all American, NBA star, that he Magic Johnson looked like someone to worry about? Do you know that the person you are going to be, or already are intimate with does not have HIV? The point is that we don't know and can't tell. This is why we do what we do.

The first thing you can do is talk. Be warned, people often times say what you want to hear. Remember, even if that person were to say that they have only been with one other person, that person has probably had multiple sexual partners, an IV drug user, someone with a tainted blood transfusion, or a hetero-homosexual that has contracted HIV from multiple sexual contacts. If they say that they were tested, just remember, Magic tested negative two months ago, and today he has HIV. You just don't know. You need to ask yourself, IS IT WORTH THE RISK?

My second recommendation may sound conservative and old fashioned to you, but think of the 90's, its still prac­tical to abstain. Just because sex is great, it doesn't mean you HAVE to do it! The more you want to hear. Remember, even if that person were to say that they have only been with one other person, that person has probably had multiple sexual partners, an IV drug user, someone with a tainted blood transfusion, or a hetero-homosexual that has contracted HIV from multiple sexual contacts. If they say that they were tested, just remember, Magic tested negative two months ago, and today he has HIV. You just don't know. You need to ask yourself, IS IT WORTH THE RISK?

Staying protected and safe. This goes beyond the catch phrase "safe". This goes further than the "safe" that people often times say when they are intimate with does not already have HIV? The point is that we don't know and can't tell. This is why we do what we do.

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The second thing you can do is be prepared. Be prepared in your dreams, or for the family and friends. Be prepared in your dreams, or for the family and friends. Be prepared in your dreams, or for the family and friends. Being prepared is always there at extension 8325, and so are the people from the Counseling Center at extension 8228. They are here for YOU! The services are FREE and are always CONFIDENTIAL!

In we are college because we are investing in our future. We have dreams of being successful, having a family, retiring, and enjoying all that life has to offer. Don't let your life's dreams be cut short due to a few irresponsible minutes of fun. BE SAFE! Do it for yourself and your dreams, or for the family and friends that will suffer and miss you after you have died from AIDS. Ask yourself, IS IT WORTH THE RISK?

Earlier Commencement date slated

President Sargent's office announced that Suffolk University had obtained new facilities and rescheduled the 1992 Commencement Exercises for an earlier date.

According to a memorandum addressed to the Suffolk community, the 1992 Commencement ceremony will be held at the Wang Center for the Performing Arts on Sunday, May 31, 1992. The ceremony for the Law School will be held at 10:00 a.m. and the undergraduate ceremony at 2:30 p.m.

Orally, the commencement was scheduled to be held at the Hynds Convocation Center Auditorium on June 14, 1992, a later date than previous years.

President Sargent's office regrets the late notice and any inconveniences that it may cause. It is the consensus of the president's office that the new date is significantly better for all graduating students and their families.
Ask Career Services

by Betsy McDowell

This is the second in a series of columns from Career Services that addresses questions from Suffolk students on career and job hunting issues. REMEMBER — you can have your questions answered, too. Go to the Career Services and Cooperative Education Office at 20 Ashburton Place and drop your question into the “Career Government” box located in the Resource Library, it will be answered in a future Journal issue.

This week’s questions . . .

When I receive a job offer, do I need to accept it right when the offer is made? Will the employer withdraw the offer if I ask for some time?

No is the answer to both of these questions. It is perfectly acceptable to ask for some time to consider an offer. In fact, the employer often expects the candidate to ask for time. An acceptable length of time for considering an offer ranges from a day to a week. If an employer has a deadline, he or she will let the candidate know and request an answer by that deadline. In some cases (particularly with the on-campus recruiting process, which takes place over a fairly long period of time) an employer will even allow a candidate a few months to respond. In any case, once an offer has been made, it is more acceptable for the candidate to ask the employer about their expectations and then to request an appropriate “consideration time.” Generally, candidates should feel free to ask for at least one or two days to consider an offer.

What should I do if I have received one offer and I’m still waiting to hear from another employer about another offer?

This is a situation in which most everyone may find themselves at some point in time. There is no easy answer, but there are things a job hunter can do to make this decision easier. As indicated above, when an offer is made it is perfectly acceptable to request a few days for consideration of the offer. During this time, it may be possible to ask the employer from whom an offer has not come if they anticipate coming to a decision soon. Let that employer know that you have received another offer and that you are very interested in them. Ask if you are being seriously considered and find out as much as you can about your chances of receiving an offer from them as well. This other employer may not be able to give you a definite answer, but you may gather enough information to make your decision more easily.

Remember, there is no right or wrong path to choose when it comes to making this decision. Rely on your own assessment of your needs and goals. In the end, you are the one who has to look out for yourself. Sometimes, there is nothing you can do but make the best decision you can with limited information. The key, though, is to be sure that you have gathered all the information you can before you have to make that decision.

How do I decline an offer?

Certainly, having to decline an offer is a difficult, if uncomfortable, situation in which most everyone may find themselves because it may mean that you have received more than one job offer. The most important thing to remember is that you never want to turn your bridges with an employer. You just can’t be sure that an employer you are not interested in now will never be of interest to you in the future. Therefore, when you turn an employer down, make a point to thank that employer for considering you so highly.

You also may want to relay that the position for which you were considered was just not appropriate for your present needs. If possible, write the employer a thank you note to emphasize your appreciation of the offer. Even if you can’t imagine ever wanting to work for that employer, you must remember that the people who work for that employer now may move to another company in which you may have an interest in the future. You wouldn’t want to jeopardize your chances with a future employer because you left a negative impression with an individual who you may meet later at another organization related to your field.

Do Suffolk University students want to see results prepared in a shoddy manner? Do students want their concerns rashly voiced to the university community without considering all of the ramifications that may ensue? Do students want to see outrage dealt loosely on their campus when a problem arises, and no one can appropriately deal with it? If you answered no to these questions (and I certainly hope that you did) then you are in agreement with your S.G.A.

In approaching the elected representatives of our student body, we work as a team to the fullest of our ability on student issues. Junior class Vice President Lou Greenwald points out that “. . . there is no ‘I’ team, and that is exactly what the S.G.A. is about.” Why such emphasis on a team spirit? Metaphorically speaking, Michael Jordan is a great athlete but could not win an NBA championship by himself. So too, the S.G.A. has to maintain a team effort to produce its best results. With a blend of experience and some fresh perspectives, here are some good things S.G.A.’s team has to offer you, the Suffolk Student:

The S.G.A.’s team has a number of new faces this year. This we do not consider a liability but an asset. We have gained both the dependability and creative media savvy of sophomores Michelle McGinn and Mary D’Alba. We have gained the motivating enthusiasm and reassuring smiles of junior V.P. Lou Greenwald, and senior V.P. Kevin Colanino. We have gained the prudence and knowledge of Parliamen­

tarian Keri Sweeney (who has been a referee for a team learning the rules of the game). We have gained the persistent efforts of Juniors Anthony Stepalk and Michelle Machado. We have gained the new ideas and willingness to work of all the freshman class officers; who have adapted to their role and contributed well. In fact, we have gained a lot, when volunteer work is at a low point.

This team also carries some experienced veterans who deserve credit for all of their efforts. The Executive Board has seen that Treasurer Rocco Ciccarello passed the budget a month earlier than last year. Secretary Tracy Burns has kept accurate minutes of the proceedings and has given her all to a position that demands 110% every day. V.P. and Senior Class President Joe Cawley is working to see that clubs such as the International Students Assoc. can be recognized and funded as soon as possible. This committee which has been referred to as the “backbone of S.G.A.” has given model results for other committees to follow.

Lastly, but far from least important for the S.G.A.’s team, is the constant questioning of members like Senior Rep. Dan Josting. Someone should question the policies and directions of a group, to see that they truly serve the best interest of all — Dan obviously does it well.

What is important to this group is doing their job properly. False “professional” pretenses are unnecessary. True achievement and respect come in time. These are the types of efforts that build consistency and allow for the development of great achievement of any team.

In conclusion, this team has a lot of talented players, who will achieve great things at Suffolk. The team is not beyond making mistakes, but if you see them play you will know they are a hard working group who have matured quickly. We as a team do not like shoddy results, inconsistencies or problems incurred through lack of insight. The Suffolk student body elected this group and that reflects on them. Good results come in time, and the S.G.A. will produce their best team effort in due time. Come to our meetings on Tuesday at 1:00 in Sawyer 421 and let the team work for you. Determine for yourself what is or isn’t professional for actions speak louder than words.

NEW COMMENCEMENT DATE
SUNDAY, MAY 31, 1992
WANG CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS
270 TREMONT STREET
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LAW SCHOOL — 10:00 A.M.
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Higher education is $12B industry

by Tara Queen

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SU student dies in Chelsea

by Lawrence M. Walsh

Sophomore Lena (Danca) Bellanti, 39, was found dead on Oct. 31 on the corner of Clifton and Margaret Streets, the industrial section of Chelsea.

Bellanti, a resident of East Boston, was found in the middle of the road by a passing truck driver. The preliminary autopsy results did not reveal the cause of death, but police said there were no signs of violence connected to the death.

According to Lt. Keating of the Chelsea police said that the autopsy results were incomplete and Chelsea and State police were continuing the investigation.

Bellanti was a full-time student at Suffolk majoring in Sociology. Professor Ronald Morton, her advisor until this September and instructor of two of her sociology classes said that she was surprised by the news of her death. He said Bellanti was a pleasure to have in class and that she was not afraid to express herself. "We were just talking about violent crimes in her criminology class and now she may have been a victim of a violent crime," said Morton.

Bellanti also participated in the work study program at Suffolk by working for the Suffolk Police. "It's a tragedy," said Lt. John Pagliarulo of the Suffolk Police.

Many students who were acquainted with Bellanti expressed grief and dismay over the news of her death. Paul Ring, a classmate and sports editor of the Suffolk Journal said, "she was fun to have in a class and made class interesting."

Lena Bellanti will be sorely missed by the Suffolk community.

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Hillel group introduced to Suffolk

by Paul R. Korn

The Hillel Organization at Suffolk University is dedicated to providing a forum for the exploration and enjoyment of Jewish heritage in all its dimensions. The group takes its name from the famous 9th century scholar and teacher, Rabbi Hillel. Hillel sponsors speakers, celebrates holidays, provides advice and mentorship, and creates connections with many jobs there because of college students.

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Open to all people at Suffolk, the organization's present membership in the greater Jewish community in Boston. Open to all people at Suffolk, the organization's present membership includes students, staff, and faculty from CLAS, SOM, and the Law School. It will be development relationships with other similar campus organizations within the worldwide Hillel network.

At Suffolk, Hillel has sponsored Passover celebrations in the spring and an annual remembrance of the Holocaust. This year, on December 4, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Sawyer 388, Hillel invites everyone at Suffolk to a Hannukah celebration which will include lighting the menorah, telling the story of Hannukah, and enjoying latkes — the traditional potato pancakes.

Also, anyone interested in talking or meeting with the leader of Hillel at Suffolk can contact the Hillel network through the campus ministry office in the Student Activities Building or by calling and leaving a message at 573-8325. This network exists to assist in creating connections among Jews on campus and to provide support and information to everyone at Suffolk about Jewish events at the university and in the Boston area.

Two events of interest are occurring in the next month. On November 24, at Temple Emanuel in Lexington, a program of film and music of Russian Jewish Artists will be presented at 7:45 p.m. Also, on December 8, at 7:30 p.m., there will be a Hannukah concert at Northeastern University's Blackman Auditorium featuring the Zamir Chorale, the Klezmer Conservatory Band, and the Zaichik Brothers Band.

Finally, those who wish to attend the upcoming concerts in the area are invited by Rabbi Gopin of the Charles River Synagogue to join the congregation on November 22 at 6:00 p.m. Contact Eileen Feldman, 573-8271, who is coordinating this event.
As Thanksgiving approaches, thoughts of family, food and festivities enters the mind. Year after year, our families celebrate the holiday the way their parents and grandparents did. From the first Thanksgiving celebrated by the Pilgrims, to the modern holiday where scattered families can reunite in a few hours by air, the Thanksgiving tradition is a symbol of a nation growing and evolving.

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Thanksgiving, religious interest abated. Family reunions became the focal point of the holiday. Also, the dinner itself grew in importance. Though Thanksgiving remained an American tradition, the religious core was lost in the transition. During the decades of American prosperity, it became fashionable for the wealthy to sponsor Thanksgiving charity banquets for the poor. Parades became popular in the major cities. The Parade of the Fantasticks in New York City was celebrated much like the Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

On Thanksgiving, turkey dinners were served to the large number of immigrants at Ellis Island. These assimilating ethnic groups adopted the holiday, and mixed their own foods and traditions with the American holiday.

In the 1920’s, football became a national Thanksgiving day tradition. Later, radio and T.V. broadcasting enabled Americans to be spectators in their own homes. Also, retail merchants declared the day after Thanksgiving the first day of Christmas season. During Franklin Roosevelt’s administration, merchants lobbied for the holiday to be moved back a week for a longer Christmas shopping season.

During World War II, the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade was cancelled to contribute it’s float pulling trucks to the war effort. Also, Britain celebrated Thanksgiving to express unity between them and the United States.

Today, Thanksgiving is not the religious holiday that the pilgrims had intended it to be. However, Thanksgiving remains an American tradition that will endure. In our ever-changing society, Thanksgiving is still the busiest travel time of the year. The family still remains the core of the Thanksgiving tradition. What makes this country special is it’s diversity. Each American family celebrates the holiday uniquely. Whether the turkey dinner is accompanied by pata, kisfossa, tortillas or fried rice, the Thanksgiving dinner is still the most important dinner of the year.

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by Carolyn Beary

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10. Unbelievably low prices.

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Suffolk University: A school for all ages

by Christine Judd

A few weeks back, Suffolk University was a part of an Elderhostel program. Elderhostel Inc., founded in 1975 in Durham, New Hampshire, offers undergraduate courses and extra-curricular activities for senior citizens. They get no credit for these courses, but they do have a good time. A retired life insurance man, Walter Sivek of New Jersey said he "couldn't wait to be old enough" to participate in the program. Only people over the age of sixty are allowed to participate in an Elderhostel program. The cost is around $300 dollars for a week program. This includes food and lodging. They were housed at the Howard Johnson Motel in Dorchester.

Twenty-five people came to Suffolk from all around the country. They attended a computer course taught by Ian Westmacott, systems administrator for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. A tour of the Computer Museum was part of the class. Elderhostel appeals to elders because it offers them the ability and opportunity to travel, not just to see the sights but to learn as well. Even with the bad weather it has not deterred many. Walter Sivek and his wife were interested in this particular program for its "history approach." Laurie Uman of New York made his 42nd Elderhostel program on this trip to Boston. Eighty-six-year-old Frank Giorgi of New York made his 42nd Elderhostel, Walter and Irene Sivek made their 18th. It was lucky number 13 for Kate Whitley of California, whose Elderhostel program in New Jersey was supposed to come to Boston. A few weeks back, Suffolk University sponsored the program at its Cobscoc Bay Field Station in Maine. "All Elderhostels are quite different," said Wesley Parcells of Virginia. He participated in this particular program for its "history approach." Laurie Uman- sky, a history teacher in Suffolk, taught the history of Boston. It consisted of tours of Cambridge, the Freedom Trail and other historic sights. They also visited the Museum of Fine Arts and Harvard University.

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There were many veterans of the Elderhostel program on this trip to Boston. Eighty-six-year-old Frank Giorgi of New York made his 42nd Elderhostel, Walter and Irene Sivek made their 18th. It was lucky number 13 for Kate Whitley of California, whose other Elderhostels were in Greece, Egypt, and Alaska. Adventure and friendship await participants of an Elderhostel. Carolyn Ruth of Ohio was supposed to come to Boston with a friend. Her friend broke her leg and Ruth had to come alone. She says, "It was a little scary, but I've made friends. Even with the bad weather it has been quite an experience.

Desmond Child is a songwriter who has written hits for Bon Jovi, Cher, Kiss, and many others. Child marks his singing debut with the recent release of his first album, "Discipline." "Discipline" is a collection of well-written songs that showcase Child's vocal abilities, as well as his songwriting. "Love On A Rooftop" is the first single video from "Discipline." Child's powerful voice shines on this track. The song's chorus has an echo effect, with Child repeating Vidal's line.

Vidal's voice complements Child's. Child co-wrote the title track and "According To The Gospel Of Love" with Bon Jovi guitarist Richie Sambora. Sambora and Bon Jovi drummer Tico Torres are guest musicians on these two tracks. Sambora's smoking guitar sound blends in perfectly with Child's powerful vocals.

The high point of the album comes in the form of two ballads on the album: "You're The Story Of My Life" and "A Ray Of Hope." Child's voice sounds passionante as he sings these beautiful songs.

"Discipline" contains several potential hits. The songs on the album revolve around the catchy melodies that made Child's songs like Bon Jovi's "Livin' On A Prayer" and Kiss' "Rock And Roll All Night" hits.

New Releases

BILLY BATHGATE

Despite its flashy elegance, this gangster saga about the decline of notorious Depression-era gang Dutch Schultz comes off as hollow and unrewarding. Faithfully adapted from E.L. Doctorow's popular novel, the events are told through the experiences of the teen-age title character, an eager mob gofer played with some strain by Loren Dean. Dustin Hoffman gives a staid portrayal as the vicious Schultz and Steven Spielberg stands out as the respective bookkeeper. (R) FAIR MARTIAL ARTS DIR-Aaron Norris LEAD-Chuck Norris RT-94 mins. (Profanity)

TWO EVIL EYES

(R) HARVEY KEITEL - TWO EDGAR ALLEN POE YARNS 

"According To The Gospel Of Love" is a duet with Maria Vidal. The song's chorus has an echo effect, with Child repeating Vidal's line. Vidal's voice complements Child's.

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MEMORY; PLOT TWISTS LEAD TO DEAD ENDS (FAIR)

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Desmond Child-'Discipline'
Suffolk News

MBA host executive breakfast series

by Adam Freedman

The Career Services Office and the MBA Association recently held the first of a continuing Executive Breakfast Series.

The first breakfast, which was held during the university's career week, was titled "The Economic Outlook Of The Region And The Country.

The featured speaker was Wayne Ayers, chief economist at the Bank of Boston and editor of the Bank's "Economic Review":

The breakfast, which consisted of coffee and donuts, was attended by 25 faculty members, graduate and undergraduate students.

Ayers spoke on the recession plaguing the New England economy and the overall economic forecast for the country.

The reasons for continual recession, according to Ayers, are "debt burden, the credit crunch, the fiscal policy of Reagan and Bush, and international competition."

Ayers also believes that there will not be a "double-dip" recession as there was in the past. He said that, as a result of this recession, "Massachusetts has lost 550,000 jobs."

As far as how long this recession will last, Ayers believes "that the country will not be out of the recession until 1997-1998."

Better areas for recovery, Ayers believes, are the Midwest and the Great Lakes Region.

Ayers also answered several questions offered by students. One question that seemed to be on everyone's mind was where the growth industry was in Massachusetts.

According to Ayers, there is an excellent job outlook in the Bio-Technology field.

As far as the Banking industry, Ayers sees more banks merging and several banks going under altogether.

Ayers also expects the interest rate to go down one more time.

Bill Doherty, an MBA Fellowship Student and Cooperative Education employee thought the event went very well and believed that "everyone who went really enjoyed it."

Doherty is organizing another breakfast to be held sometime in January.

"We'll try to get a CEO to come in next time," said Doherty.

VENTURE
LITERARY MAGAZINE

Deadline Extention

Due to unforeseen delays, Venture, Suffolk University's literary magazine, has been able to extend our deadline for the 1992 edition until December 2, 1991.

All Suffolk students, faculty, and staff are invited and encouraged to submit works of poetry, fiction, and visual art. Submission should be sent to either the Venture mailbox in the English Department or dropped off at the Student Activities Office.

Any questions? Comments? Story ideas?

GMLS
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Work study eases state financial aid cuts

by Jennifer Wall

The state financial aid cuts made last July dealt a hard blow to many students who depend every year upon receiving some type of contribution from the state towards their education.

According to Christine Perry, director of Financial Aid at Suffolk, when the administration found out about the state aid cuts it was estimated that Suffolk students would lose approximately $800,000 in state grants.

It was this alarming figure that brought Marguerite Dennis, dean of Enrollment and Retention Management, President David I. Sargent and Vice President Frans X. Flannery to the Suffolk Board of Trustees in search of aid to compensate for the cuts.

The board was able to give $400,000 of their own dollars, according to Perry, which was distributed as a combination of replacement grants, (approximately 75%), and employment (approximately 25%).

The cuts brought hundreds of students to the financial aid office in search of some hope.

"We must have seen three to four hundred people asking for more financial aid or reconsideration," said Perry. "We did the best we could with what we had."

Suffolk is also trying to compensate by offering more loan options. "At Suffolk, students are often reluctant to borrow... they don't think of loans as financial aid, when they are," said Perry.

The loss of low-income students is one of many concerns of the financial aid office, but, says Perry, "we can't look at the low income students as the ones that are leaving — it has been across the board... We are now seeing a lot of students who have lost their job or one or both parents have lost their job."

According to Perry, there are between four and five hundred students on work-study or employment plans at Suffolk this semester. "The work-study [increase] is a function of the economy," said Perry. When the economy is good, finding enough students to use the money allotted for work-study is usually a problem.

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dent evaluations, a vita, and any other supporting documents. When all the requested information had been gathered, the Selection Committee met to discuss the nominees.

According to Greenberg, after discussing each nominee, the committee had a general discussion after which each member independently made their selection. The selections were then reviewed and a final selection was made consensually.

The ten candidates for the Sears-Roebuck teaching excellence award were; Professor Krisanne Bursik (Psychology), Professor Edith A. Cook (Mathematics and Computer Science), Professor Walter H. Johnson (Physics and Engineering), Professor Doris Mohitado (Economics), Professor Donald R. Morton (Sociology), and Professor Steve Patterson (Chemistry). A representative of the Sears-Roebuck Foundation will present Professor Patterson with his award at a dinner to be announced at a later date.

Wire Briefs

Trick or treat

CAMBRIDGE, MA (CPS) — Snickers, lollipops, Smarties, Tootsie Rolls, sourballs, bubble gum and asparagus.

Asparagus? Yep. And celery and tomatoes. That's what trick-or-treaters took home from the house of Harvard University President Neil Rudenstine this Halloween.

Unlike his predecessor, Derek Bok, who offered candy, Rudenstine invited ghosts, princesses, Mutant Ninja Turtles and Bart Simpsons in for hors d'oeuvres, the Harvard Crimson reported.

The Rudenstines were having a dinner party. As their little costumed guests left, Angelica Rudenstine could be heard saying, "I hope you liked our tomatoes. They're much better on the arteries than candy."

Recants Rape Story

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (CPS) — Texas A&M University is continuing investigation of its Corps of Cadets after allegations of sexual harassment by several women cadets.

But one female student who said she was raped by some male members of the corps told university investigators recently that she lied about the assault.

The university also issued a statement saying that the committee investigating the harassment complaints had confirmed some of the charges.

In the statement, Texas A&M president William H. Mobley said, "The actions of one person or group of people should not be viewed as an indictment of the corps, the student body or the university itself."

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despair (as a result)," Red Loon said, adding that the despair is a major factor in the high rate of alcoholism. Another issue which Red Loon and Three Hawks touched upon was the use of the word "Indian" to describe the natives of Turtle Island. Admitting that he is guilty of using the word himself, Red Loon said the term is not taken lightly by natives. He pointed out that the term "Native American" is also objectionable because the natives prefer to think of themselves as aborigines of Turtle Island, not America. He said that, just as Europeans are distinguished by nation, natives would like to be identified with the tribes they belong to—Micmac, Iroquois, Lakota, Wampanoag and so on.

In a well-attended drumming and dancing demonstration during the student activity hour, Red Loon and Three Hawks appeared dressed in the traditional regalia of their tribes. Red Loon wore an impressive sash with loons on it, which he said was made of 80,000 glass beads. He also wore deer-skin leggings (eastern native style, without fringes), and a wool broadcloth, a moccasin shirt (a relatively recent addition to the native wardrobe, being traded by colonists and explorers). In addition, he wore a choker about his neck and a feathered headdress.

Three Hawks wore similar regalia, except that his leggings were Iroquois style (the seam appears on the front of the leg), and his broadcloth was deer-skin and much longer than Red Loon's. He also wore various necklaces. Both men carried pouches at their sides which, they explained, were used to carry personal possessions (the leggings not having pockets). During the presentation, Red Loon and Three Hawks described the cultural aspects of native society, including traditional housing, diet, dress, and craftsmanship.

Three Hawks spoke about the use of herbs and plants in ceremony and medicine, while Red Loon emphasized the significance of the eagle feather, emphasizing a deep respect for nature and brotherhood with the creatures of nature.

Having taken some flagroot—which is supposed to tone the singer's voice (and is good for the stomach)—Red Loon and Three Hawks demonstrated some native songs, which are sung on very high octaves.

"That was my gift from Grandfather—"the songs," said Red Loon, who has been a singer for several years.

The two also demonstrated drumming on hand drums as well as men's traditional dancing, a physically taxing activity.

Red Loon ended the program by singing the native national anthem, a song which natives use as a political statement and around which they rally.

"We maintain our tradition and our culture and we are still here," he said in closing.

The Native American Awareness Program was hosted by Campus Minister Wendy Sanford, Pat Lizerwski of Career Services and Cooperative Education, and Alvin Storms, a History/Government student, in conjunction with Director of Multicultural Affairs Dr. Sharon Arts.

In the last few years it has also received substantial support from the Dean of Students and the head of the Student Activities Office.

"It has been important to them that gay students feel comfortable," Sanford said.

The positive changes in the climate on campus have encouraged more minority students to be visible, and their visibility has challenged old negative attitudes and helped create this new climate. However, becoming visible often requires courage.

Although discrimination against gays and lesbians is no longer legal in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, people can still lose jobs and housing as a result of disclosing their sexual orientation.

"We cannot underestimate the courage of those gay and lesbian students who have come forward to lead on this issue," said Sanford. "Their efforts are really appreciated." GMLS has a number of functions planned for next semester. "We are working with Humanities and Sociology professors to arrange a panel discussion for classes," said Claudio. "Suffolk students will have a chance to question gay and lesbian students about their lives first hand. We are also planning an AIDS Action Committee seminar on safe sex which is directed towards all students," he added. Admitting that AIDS is not a gay disease, gay and lesbian organizations have been at the forefront of fundraising for AIDS research. GMLS is not exception.

"Last Spring we participated in the AIDS walk," Claudio said, "and we are trying to organize a giant group of gay and lesbian organizations from campuses around Boston to walk as one collegiate group for the AIDS Walk next Spring."

The next move for GMLS is to become a recognized organization on campus. In a recruitment flyer posted on campus recently, GMLS describes itself as a "small, growing Suffolk student organization" which seeks "brilliant, articulate, open-minded and socially aware individuals interested in helping raise the consciousness...on campus."

One of the requirements for approval is the provision of a list of at least ten signatures from full time students who support the organization. It is not the responsibility for all of these students to be gay or lesbian members of GMLS. "We welcome support from everybody," said Claudio.

Many students were not aware of the existence of GMLS on campus. "I'd never heard of them. Is this something that the school is trying to hide?" said one student.

According to Claudio, there is no mention of GMLS in the student handbook or lists of student organizations. "We lose a lot of applications because of this omission. This makes recognition an important goal," he added.

Many students support this goal of GMLS. "I think it is wonderful, what they are doing, but it's difficult," said another student. "However, it makes things easier for those coming after them."

Another student commented, "I think it takes a lot of guts to do this, to come out. However, I'd be curious to see what the schools' reaction will be. If S.U. gets to be very active and very visible. They will have to recognize it, but I wonder will they try to casually sweep it under the carpet?"

As one supportive Suffolk student, who is a member of the military, commented, "I don't always agree with everything that people are saying or doing, or want to be a part of it, but I'm willing to die for their right to do it."
National Wire

Students fight judicial boards for their rights

by Amy Reynolds

(CPS) — The system stinks.

That's what students on a review board at the University of Minnesota say of the school's judicial system. They claim that the school sacrifices fairness for expediency, ignores constitutional rights of due process by giving one person the power over a student's fate, jury and appeals judges, and ignores the constitutional protection against self-incrimination.

"To me, (these violations) sound like a good argument against having the university handle anything that isn't academic," says Jack Stecher, an economics graduate student serving on the committee.

Stecher isn't alone in his thinking. For years, students, faculty, administrators and others from throughout the country have headed on the issue of a university's right and power to prosecute criminal cases in the campus courts.

Universities' "determination to enforce this...rests on the premise that colleges and universities have a jurisdiction over the lives of their students that is independent of the law of the land," writes John Roche, a former member of the Johnson administration, in a recent article in National Review. "The notion that an aggrieved person, by himself or herself, can prosecute a student because the university has the power to give him his own, private punishment, is the source of this thinking.

Frequently on the opposite side of that argument are campus judicial administrators.

William Bracewell, the former president of the Association for Student Judicial Affairs and the current head of the Office of Judicial Programs at the University of Georgia, says universities justifiably have separate jurisdiction.

"Each one of those jurisdictions has a different interest to protect," Bracewell says. Each school, like every city and state, "has a set of regulations that are right for that campus, that are right for that community."

Bracewell points to the issue of date rape as an example of why campuses need to address criminal charges in their judicial systems.

"If you talk to women, they don't want those men on campus. What if the woman has a class with the man who assaulted her? In some states, the law doesn't even include date rape" as a criminal offense, Bracewell says. "Will the institution defer to the state if the state isn't going to respond at all?"

Bracewell says schools need to address criminal complaints because they affect the university community in terms of campus safety and victims' rights to get an education without interference from the people who have committed criminal acts against them.

Others disagree with the campus system's ability to handle criminal cases.

"The goal of the campus judicial system is...primarily to protect the interest of students. The criminal justice system on campus is for the protection of the people who have committed criminal acts against the institution," says Robert Bohrer, a sociology professor at Cornell University and a former prosecutor, judge and now a national expert on date rape. He says that because schools try to afford equal protection to both the victim and the offender, punishments often do not fit the crimes.

One problem in any discussion of how campus judicial systems should operate is the fact that virtually no two systems are the same.

"You'll find that they are anything but uniform," says Randy Beznau, dean of the Washington and Lee School of Law and a national expert on constitutional law. "The larger universities have more elaborate procedures. The smaller liberal arts schools are less elaborate and their systems are more widely varying because the whole process reflects traditions."

The systems that contrast most harshly are public and private, because public institutions must adhere to state and federal laws.

In September, Liberty University expelled three seniors for worshipping as a United Pentecostal Church, a violation of a school policy. Although the school held a hearing on the matter and granted the students appeals based on the school's rules, the students' First Amendment freedom of religion rights were ignored.

Because Liberty is a private school, it is not bound by the Constitution, so the freedom of religion element of the case wasn't relevant.

But, in Minnesota's case, the allegations against the system, including a lack of a student's Fifth and 14th Amendment rights to due process — the right to trial by an impartial judge and jury for example — are worthy of investigation because the school is bound by the Constitution.

"The Constitution has a special hearing because we are a public university," Stecher says.

The Minnesota students say that the school's director of the Office of Judicial Affairs Betty Hackett, has unilateral power over a student's fate.

"Say you get a letter accusing you of a crime," Stecher says. "You go see a counselor, who is Betty Hackett. You talk to her and she makes a recommen- dation. She then becomes the prosecutor of your case, which goes into a closed door hearing. She is not obligated to tell you who she is going to be prosecuting you."

Hackett, who did not return telephone calls to her office, did tell the Minnesota Daily that, "I wouldn't be here if I didn't think this was a fair system."

Currently, the committee reviewing the judicial system is writing two proposals for changing the system — one submitted by the students and faculty members, the other from the administration's members.

The privacy of campus judicial hearings is at issue at the University of Georgia. A student newspaper editor has filed a complaint in Fulton County court against the university, saying two incidents in which the school denied the newspaper access to hearings violated their First Amendment rights and the state's open records law.

Red and Black editor Jennifer Squillante says the two hearings involved charges of hazing and underage drinking against two fraternities.

"Our contention is that educational records are not brought into play," Squillante says. "We're starting with these cases because it's the most obvious. They don't have a leg to stand on as far as the Buckley Amendment goes."

The Buckley Amendment requires universities to keep student educational records private.

Squillante contends that if an educational record is brought into play, it is "false information to say there is no information."

"It is a non sequitur to say the school was not violating Buckley or violated Buckley. They were ignoring Buckley."

The student newspaper editor also filed a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission.

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Suffolk Journal Wednesday, November 20, 1991

SPORTS

Suffolk hoopsters prepare for season opener

by Viki A. Bernard

Head Coach Jim Nelson hopes that a "veteran nucleus" will spur the Suffolk University Men's Basketball team on to a winning season for 1991-1992. Leading the team on the court are Senior Co-Captains Justin Cizhane of Lexington, and John Cawley of Weymouth.

Culhane led the team in assists last season with an average of seven per game. He was a national leader of Divi

Suffolk welcomes new coach

by Nicole M. DeSisto

Suffolk University has recently welcomed Donna Ruseckas to its athletic staff.

Ruseckas will certainly have her hands full here at Suffolk. She will be the women's athletic director, assistant women's basketball coach, head softball coach. She is also the cheerleading coordinator, and she oversees the aerobics program.

Ruseckas, 31, is a graduate of Bridge water State College. She was a physical education major and was involved heavily in the Intramural program and varsity softball there.

"I enjoyed the Intramural program because there was a lot less pressure and it was lots of fun," said Ruseckas.

Her sister, Janet, was a Suffolk grad in 1984. Her major was Business Management.

Ruseckas was previously employed at Weymouth Public Schools, where she was the volleyball coach, girls JV basketball coach, and head softball coach.

"The cheerleaders program is bigger than it has ever been, and the enthusiasm is overwhelming," said Ruseckas. "The aerobics program is very popular also."

Having recently attended a basketball practice, she is particularly impressed by her team.

Sports

It's only a game

by Paul King

Basketball.

Many professional players get paid salaries in the millions of dollars. They have worked hard, day-in and day-out, ever since they were old enough to get the ball in the hoop, to get where they are today. Some don't even make it that far.

Sports Editorial

Hank Gathers, a Senior at Loyola Marymount, was bestowed by all the major teams in the NBA. He had almost reached his life-long goal of playing pro basketball. He collapsed on the gym floor during a home game and died less than two hours later.

He would have wanted it that way. But he never made it to the NBA.

The first-round draft choice of the 1985-86 World Champion Boston Celtics, Len Bias was on the top of the world. It looked as though he had fulfilled his dreams.

He died, days after the draft, of a cocaine overdose. He never wore a Celtics uniform. Some good came out of his death, however. It raised the public's awareness of the drug problem in this country's colleges.

Bias' mother, after having a second child, is the most vulnerable of those threatened by the AIDS epidemic.

"I thought it was going to be a dream."

That's what really matters. Someday, Magic Johnson will be remembered not as a great basketball player who had the AIDS virus, but as a great humanitarian who also was a great basketball player. There is a difference.

I mean, it's only a game.

WOMEN'S VARSITY BASKETBALL 1991-1992

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