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Suffolk students, athletes, faculty, and the Suffolk Ram gathered in the Regan Gymnasium on Thursday to celebrate "A Decade of Pink" for Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

"Don't wait until it affects you, a friend, or your family," said Ernst Cleophat, coach of the women's soccer team. "Always get involved and be supportive no matter the circumstance."

Studies show that one in every eight women, or 12.6 percent of all women, will get breast cancer in their lifetime. Breast cancer is the fifth leading cause of death in women, and the U.S. is spending billions of dollars annually on breast cancer treatments. To help, Suffolk takes part to inform its community and celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The event is co-sponsored by the Athletics and Communication and Journalism (CJN) departments, and the Office of Student Affairs.

"Suffolk has been doing this for 10 years now," said Ericka Mollica of the Suffolk Athletic Department. "We just want to make people aware of breast cancer and hopefully they'll come to support the cause."

Upon entering, attendees walked into a sea of pink forming in the gymnasium where they were handed pink T-shirts and sweat bands. Lines of students gathered around the refreshments table to pick up pink-themed "sweets and treats." The athletes took over the PINK page 2

Counseling Center helps students

Jordan Lazieh
Journal Contributor

Many college students face frequent emotional and intellectual challenges. If ignored and untreated, these problems can lead to larger issues like stress and clinical depression. Luckily for students at Suffolk, there is help.

The Suffolk University Counseling Center offers students a cost-free environment for assistance and support to deal with any issue ranging from depression to spouse abuse. Psychologist Dr. Lynda Field is a staff member at the Counseling Center and has been teaching at Suffolk since 1998. She wants all Suffolk students to know that help is readily available.

"When students come to the Counseling Center, I want them to know they don't have to deal with their issues alone," said Field. "Students start to feel better here because for the first time, they have someone who will listen to them."

Every October at the start of the school year, Field and her team of licensed therapists offer free assessments to all Suffolk students on National Depression Screening Day. These screenings determine how the student is adapting and coping with their current college lifestyle, as well as any other additional problems.

Field said it has been a long process to get students to open up. "It has been growing yearly. Our start in [the year] 2000 saw barely 60 students attend. Ten years later, we saw 222 students show up for the screening."

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Saudi students unite

Gabby Womack
Journal Staff

Suffolk's Saudi Student Club is a recent addition to the university's student-run organizations. Majed Alshammari an LLM (Master of Laws) student at Suffolk Law, established the group in February 2011.

"The idea was in my head for a long time," he said. "I have good relations with a lot of Saudi students... they encouraged me to go forward with [it] and were willing to give any help that I might need."

Alshammari began the process of starting the club, contacting students across the campus, and held a meeting with them. The club was officially incorporated in the organization directory, and so far, they have about 26 members. They now plan to organize activities like cultural events and awareness programs.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Thursday, October 20

6:51 a.m.  
10 Somerset  

12:27 a.m.  
Sawyer Building  
Medical assist at the Sawyer Building. Report filed. Case closed.

Friday, October 21

11:32 a.m.  
Law School  

1:44 p.m.  
10 Somerset  

6:16 p.m.  
10 Somerset  
Medical assist at 10 Somerset Street. Report filed.

Saturday, October 22

1:06 a.m.  
10 West  

1:54 a.m.  
10 West  
Suffolk student of 10 Somerset street was arrested for assault and battery. Report filed.

Monday October 24

9:37 a.m.  
10 Somerset  
Unit responding to a medical assist on the third floor of 10 Somerset.

2:58 p.m.  
10 Somerset  

Students, faculty celebrate breast cancer awareness

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the floor to support the speakers toss plush giveaways.

"It's mandatory for all sports teams to be here," said Nicole Carpenter, a sophomore on the women's soccer team.

"And of course, it's also for a good cause," added Jeff Kelly, a freshman on the men's soccer team.

Director of Athletics, Coach Jim Nelson began the ceremony by introducing Acting President and Provost Barry Brown and announcing it was his birthday. Brown proceeded by blowing out candles and giving a speech.

He discussed Suffolk's achievement in receiving the Carnegie Award for Student Involvement, and that nothing was more demonstrative of that award than the fantastic turnout of supporters at the breast cancer celebration.

Dean of Student Affairs Ann Coyne followed up by announcing the next breast cancer awareness event, "Think Pink Eat Green," and talked about how she managed to rally 50 students to participate in the breast cancer walk.

The speeches were concluded by granting Sports Information Director Anthony Del Prete with the Pink Tie Award, which is presented to a Suffolk University male who has demonstrated outstanding support of the Breast Cancer Awareness Month program.

Following the speakers was a dance performance by Suffolk University's hip-hop team, Wicked. Then, attendees formed to take the traditional human-ribbon photo. The ceremony closed by taking individual team photos, displaying pink t-shirts.

Sophomore Sophia Elmoussaoui said she's been indirectly affected by breast cancer. "It's really nice to see Suffolk participate in promoting awareness and that so many come out to support the cause," she said.
Saudi Students Club celebrates culture

as well as the new students who face difficulties getting [used] to a new culture," he explained.

Abdulrahman and the many members of the club hold orientation events each semester for the Saudi community.

With the Muslim holiday Eid Al-Haj approaching, the Saudi Students Club will host a celebration honoring the end of the pilgrimage to Mecca with Eid-ul-Adha, an annual festival when [traditionally] a lamb is sacrificed and its meat is shared among the poor. This year's Eid-ul-Adha lies on Sunday, November 6, but should be celebrated at sunset the day before.

Among the many purposes this group serves, the participants are actively trying to involve Americans with the Saudi celebrations. The goal for which they strive is to "reduce the barriers" between American and Saudi students and faculty. This common desire to better the future of Saudi-American relationships is one of the reasons why the club is unique.

"We are caring and very active," Alshammari said of the club's members. Along with the contributions of active club participants, they visit hospitals and people in need.

The best event that we sponsored was the Saudi National Day," said Khashaan, where they brought a sculpture of Mecca's Holy Mosque. Dishes and displays of Saudi culture decorated the celebration at the end of September for which he said there was a successful turnout of students and faculty.

Photos courtesy of Saudi Student Club

Mecca's mosque sculpture.

"Wc arc caring and very active."

Mecca's mosque sculpture.

Mecca's mosque sculpture.

Mecca's mosque sculpture.

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Career Week
October 24–November 3, 2011

Breaking into the Music Biz
Want to work in the music business? Then this is the program for you! Come and listen to panelists working in the field!

Date: Thursday, November 3
Place: McDermott Conference Room, Donahue 128
Time: 1:00 – 2:15 pm

Panelists:
Scott Billington – VP of A&R, Grammy Winning Producer
Michael Creamer – Grammy-nominated band manager
Chip Rives – Founder of Boston Music Awards
Glenn Yoder – Arts & Entertainment Producer at Boston.com, Local Musician – Cassavettes

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Office of Career Services & Cooperative Education
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A career Week 2011 signature event took place yesterday at the Sawyer Business School. The keynote address, "Establishing Your Personal Brand with Employers," was given by Dan Schawbel, a social media expert recognized by The New York Times as a personal branding guru and listed as one of Inc Magazine’s "30 under 30: America’s Coolest Young Entrepreneurs."

"I knew it was going to be hard to get a job when I graduated," Schawbel said as he began the presentation.

"Experience is so critical right now. It’s even hard to hire an intern with no experience."

The solution is personal branding. Schawbel worked seven internships and spent a year and a half building himself, and shared the essential personal branding tool kit: resume, cover letter, business card, website/blog, social network, and CD portfolio.

"The sooner you start building this catalogue/portfolio of work, the easier it will be for you," he said.

"Experience is so critical right now. It’s even hard to hire an intern with no experience."
Counseling available for students in need

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While there has been a large improvement, Field said it continues to be a challenge to encourage students to pursue the necessary treatment.

According to Field, the issue that accounts for the largest percentage of students seen is clinical depression and anxiety. Clinical depression, she explained, is a two week period in which a person experiences irritability, lack of motivation, no joy, irregular sleeping habits and a possible eating disorder. The goal of each therapist at the Center is to assess each individual student to give them full, undivided treatment and a chance for prevention.

After a screening, if the therapist or student feels as if they need to continue their evaluation, it is recommended they visit the Counseling Center for a full session. At the Center, students can see a member of a large and culturally diverse staff that includes five full-time licensed psychologists, three advanced doctoral interns and two part-time consulting psychiatrists. The staff is filled with professionals who are experts in developing counseling plans that meet the unique needs of each student.

"When students come to the Counseling Center, I want them to know they don’t have to deal with their issues alone. Students start to feel better here because for the first time, they have someone who will listen to them."

"The student decides who they are comfortable with," said Field. "Here at the Counseling Center, the student is in charge. We want to provide them with absolute comfort to get what they need."

While students may think what is said in these sessions will leak out, fear not. Due to doctor-patient confidentiality, every therapist cannot divulge any information discussed during a session. The only way the Center can break their strict confidentiality agreement is if harm was being done by or around the student.

Beside one-on-one therapy, the Center also conducts several group therapy sessions. These sessions hold six to eight students and deal with tracking and solving similar symptoms. And while the Counseling Center holds no limit on therapy, Field said most students stop coming to the Center after six sessions. A positive sign, she claims. "I feel so privileged to be working with these brave young people," said Field. "I cannot think of another job where I get to teach, help and connect with great people."

Counseling available for students in need

Michelle Lim
Journal Staff

Every fall, the Office of Career Services and Cooperative Education organizes Career Week, a two-week-long series of events and workshops tailored to provide the Suffolk community with access to professionals and employers through career awareness and job search help.

This year has a schedule of 20 events including workshops and speakers. According to Paul Tanklefsky, director of Career Services and Cooperative Education, last year’s Career Week saw its largest attendance with over 200 students for keynote speaker Johnny Earle, CEO of Johnny Cupcakes.

"Career Week is an opportunity for Suffolk University to focus on the career aspirations of our students," said Tanklefsky at yesterday’s keynote event, a presentation by social media expert Dan Schawbel on establishing personal brands with employers.

"Our hope is that you walk away from these two weeks with enhanced career goals."

Whether a freshman just getting started or a senior anxious about finding a job after graduation, Career Week assures there is something for everyone. Beginning with “Choosing a Major,” the schedule leads to the majors/minors expo on October 27 where academic advisors will networking at large gatherings, receptions and events. The seminar was intended to provide the “Sawyer Business School Networking Night for Finance, ISOM, and Global Business Majors,” scheduled for November 1, where students will meet with alumni and professionals in their field of interest.

A new event this year requires faculty participation. On October 31, professors in the College of Arts & Sciences and the Sawyer Business School will share their stories in their respective vocations. This program was implemented into Career Week, considering professors are some of the most accessible resources students have. Engaging faculty, Career Services believes, can influence and help students choose professions and solidify their choices.

There are also experiential learning events like the professional dining etiquette meal on October 28. Not only will students enjoy a three-course meal, but they will gain the dining skills needed to make an impression at a business lunch or dinner.

Career Week goes beyond corporate careers, with events like “Graduate School Options” (November 1) for those interested in higher education following graduation. Benevolence is a theme with “Careers Making a Difference” on November 3. Representatives from organizations like Teach America, AmeriCorps, Campus Compact, and the Peace Corps will discuss options in how to opt for participation in a year of service.

While these two weeks are centered around careers, the Office of Career Services and Cooperative Education urges students to know that the resources of Career Services—although particularly highlighted over the course of Career Week—always remain open to students and apply to them year-round.
Gaddafi killed in Sirte, NTC to hold elections

NATO bombing left dictator wounded, questions surround a possible execution

Libyan dictator Muammar Gaddafi was killed on Oct. 20 during a shootout near his hometown of Sirte, ending his 42 year rule over the North African nation.

According to Libyan officials, Col. Gaddafi's convoy was intercepted by NATO jets as he attempted to flee the town during morning prayers. A subsequent firefight led Gaddafi and his bodyguards to seek shelter in a nearby drainage pipe. Once troops from the National Transitional Council (NTC), the leading group staging the coup against the dictator, caught up to them, he was wounded in the head and legs.

Soon after Al Jazeera reported the death, President Obama gave a speech from the White House proclaiming that a "dark shadow of tyranny has been lifted." He was one of the first world leaders to directly acknowledge Gaddafi's death, as well as promoting a smooth transition with a free and fair election.

Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez, contradicted popular opinion by calling Gaddafi's death an "outrage" and proclaiming him as a martyr. He refused to recognize Libya's new regime.

The global media did not censor much of the graphic footage surrounding the capture. The Sun in the U.K. sported "That is for Lockerbie, Gaddafi" as their headline, featuring a picture of the dictator's bloodied face on the cover.

Elections are planned to be held within eight months but a smooth transition may be harder than it looks. In Egypt and Tunisia, the revolutions allowed the military and other state governing bodies to remain intact, leaving room for a national election. However, in Libya's case, Gaddafi has controlled every part of the government for almost a half-century. According to the L.A. Times, a clean election would require a brand new system to be put in place, which would take longer than eight months.
Flooding in Thailand affects more than 9 million

Millions are being displaced and told to abandon their homes as flood water comes closer to the center of Thailand’s capital, Bangkok.

"If anything affects Bangkok, it will have an impact on the whole country, so it's very important to take care of Bangkok in order for the country to survive," said Gov. Sukhumbhand Paribatra in a televised address to the public. "In particular, priority must be assigned to the sick, young, and elderly," continued the statement. Paribatra also told the public to stay calm.

Parts of the country have been experiencing monsoon rains for more than three months, displacing nearly 9 million people and killing approximately 350, with the number rising, according to Al Jazeera.

The damages continue to grow and could break over $6 billion.

The Thai government has said that the natural disaster is the worst flooding in half a century, saying it could take more than a month for water to recede in different parts of the country, said CNN.

With the waters continuing to rise, millions have been warned to leave their homes in six city districts of Bangkok, facing what authorities said were "potential dangers to lives and properties," said Al Jazeera.

The government has set up more than 1,700 shelters across Thailand where more than 113,000 people have taken refuge, said CNN.

Specifically, Munang Ale village residents, a section of Bangkok, were strongly urged to relocate yesterday morning after a dike in the area has been reported as broken, said CNN. The waters could be as deep as five feet when it fully breaks through the dike.

The government continues to make changes to accommodate the country, declaring Tuesday that there would be public holidays for the end of the month, effective in 21 provinces.

"The government would like to give time to people in affected areas to prepare for floods during high tide periods between [Oct] 28 to 30. Some people who have houses outside Bangkok could be able to live there during flood period," said Thitima Chaisang, the government spokeswoman.

Despite the accommodations, Al Jazeera reported that the Thai government has been criticized for how they are handling the flooding.

"The prime minister has been resisting calls to declare a state of emergency," said Al Jazeera. "Instead, she enacted a special disaster law which gives her greater authority. And one of her first jobs was to instruct the army and ministry of defense to protect key areas around Bangkok city in case the floods spread to commercial heart of the city, including the Grand Palace and the city’s two airports."

The country continues to worry about the floods destroying shops and factories across the nation, reported CNN. A large amount of revenue for Thailand is made through tourism, which has also been heavily affected by the rising waters.

More flooding is expected to hit the region as the week continues said Thailand’s Flood Relief Operations Command. Due to the high tides backing up rivers, more and more water will enter the flooded areas causing further evacuations and damages.
Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA—Argentinean President Christina Fernandez de Kirchner was reelected in the biggest landslide since 1973, according to the Buenos Aires Herald. Fernandez de Kirchner, the leader of the Front For Victory party, won the vote by 54 percent. Socialist Candidate Hermes Binner came in second with 17 percent, followed by Ricardo Alfonsin with 11 percent, Alberto Rodriguez Sa with eight percent, Eduardo Duhalde with six percent, Carlos Altamirau with 2.31 percent, and Elisa Carrio with 1.84 percent. It’s rare for a candidate to win by such a large margin because there are so many political parties in Argentina. The last time a candidate won in such a landslide was in 1973 when Juan Domingo Peron was elected for a third time. Fernandez de Kirchner is credited by voters with enacting economic policies that brought on a recovery in South America’s second-largest economy, according to CNN. Argentina’s economy has grown about 8 percent each year since Fernandez de Kirchner has been in office. She is the first female president in Latin America to be elected for a second term.

Auckland, NEW ZEALAND—After a 24-year drought, the All Blacks have finally brought the gold home. The 2011 Rugby World Cup came to an intense close on Sunday as the hosts, New Zealand, faced France in a sold out match at Eden Park. The All Blacks fought throughout the tournament, destroying both Argentina and Australia in fantastic matches. France had a harder trip to the top yet delivered the best match when it came time to the final. Unfortunately, their best wasn’t enough as an early try by Tony Woodcock placed New Zealand in the lead and left France chasing after them. Things came to a tight close as France came within one point of the All Blacks near the end of the match. However, as the whistle blew New Zealand knew their 24 years of struggle had come to an end. The Webb-Ellis trophy has only been won once before by New Zealand in the first world cup in 1987, despite the All Blacks being favorites in nearly every competition.

Kuala Lampur, MALAYSIA – Italian Moto GP rider Marco Simoncelli, 24, died Sunday in an accident involving two other riders at the Malaysian Grand Prix. Four minutes into the race Simoncelli, lost-control of his motorcycle but managed to regain grip. However, he swerved across the track and struck Valentino Rossi and American Colin Edwards. The crash caused Simoncelli to lose his helmet and lay motionless on the track. He was admitted to the Sepang circuit’s medical center already unconscious and died soon after from chest, neck and head injuries. All Italian sports have declared Sunday a day of mourning, with AC Milan, Simoncelli’s favorite team, donning black armbands in his honor.
**Horoscopes**

**Scorpio**
(10/23 - 11/21)
Think positively this week so you do not allow yourself to be overwhelmed with your feelings or emotions.

**Pisces**
(2/19 - 3/20)
Let your inner strange ideas flow this week, they might just be the solution you are looking for.

**Cancer**
(6/21 - 7/21)
Focus your energy this week on bringing your personal relationships to the depths needed to last a lifetime.

**Sagittarius**
(11/22 - 12/21)
Let your hair down and keep the mood light. There are many things to do, people to see, and places to go this week.

**Aries**
(3/21 - 4/19)
Your week is centered around how others perceive you. Now is the time to be confident and look your best.

**Leo**
(7/22 - 8/22)
This week is a premium time to deal with anything related to love and romance. New relationships are more of a possibility, too.

**Capricorn**
(12/22 - 1/19)
Go all out and take some risks; trust your instincts. Your odds of success this week are at a high.

**Taurus**
(4/20 - 5/20)
Your instincts and gut feelings are right on target this week. Also, be morally conscious and take the high road; it'll pay off soon.

**Aquarius**
(1/20 - 2/18)
Avoid becoming your own worst enemy by focusing your confrontational energy in a positive way that can help you.

**Gemini**
(5/21 - 6/20)
The nature of your week is both passionate and sensual. Expect to be more attractive romantically and professionally.

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**Virgo**
(8/22 - 9/22)
Your intuition levels are high as you take a breath to find your inner balance this week. This will help to bring out the best of your personality.

**Libra**
(9/23 - 10/22)
You'll find many chances this week to rise to a higher position or station. Don't resist them and you'll find yourself where you want to be.

**Weekly Crossword**

Across
1. Largest animal ever to have inhabited Earth
2. Blog money-maker
3. Country where motorized ambulances were first used
4. Former VP Dan Quayle's first name
5. Product of the mass of a body and its linear velocity
6. Chocolate of antioxidants
7. Sebastian Melmoth
8. Country where Air Pacific comes from
9. Country where motorized ambulances were first used
10. Official MA state beverage
11. Natural phenomenon that 'meanders'
12. Number of countries in British Commonwealth
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Down
1. World's largest herb
2. Blog money-maker
3. Country where motorized ambulances were first used
4. Product of the mass of a body and its linear velocity
5. Brings May flowers
6. Dactylogram
7. How many fingers does Mickey Mouse have on each hand?
8. First president to visit China
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**The Journal Takes On Issues...**

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- Battlefield 3!
- Pumpkin Beer
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- Alex Hall’s Cowboys
- Arrested Development returning!
- Super Bowl 42 memories depress us

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The ones left behind
Filmmaker visits Suffolk with a story about loss, love

Nicole Espinosa  
Journal Staff

Do you love local films? Need one that can actually keep your interest? If you missed its presentation last Tuesday, you'll love Home Before Dark, a local Massachusetts film made by an inspiring woman.

Last week, filmmaker Maureen Foley came to Suffolk to present Home Before Dark. Foley is completely charming and clearly has a passion for filmmaking. She did not attend film school, but you would never know it after watching the movie.

Home Before Dark is somewhat autobiographical, focusing on a real-life tragedy that affected Foley's family before, and long after she was born. Her mother was in a car accident with Foley's three siblings; all of the children died in the accident.

Her parents eventually recovered from the tragedy and had three more children, Maureen being the first. The film is about how the heartbreak of losing the children affects her mother and family. The main character, a young girl representing Foley as a child, is named Nora in the film.

"A lot of what you see on screen didn't actually happen, but is still, in many ways, emotionally true," said Foley about the film, which is heartbreaking, yet still manages to put a few smiles on your face.

Home Before Dark is center to experience the events through the sensibility of a child. The film takes you through major events in girlhood, while still focusing on the bigger picture.

Maureen Foley did not start writing until she was out of college. She started mostly with short stories about her family, and then eventually started to write more dramatic pieces.

"Sometimes I think you have to look at making an autobiography to be able to cleanly move towards other phases of writing," she said.

This film was a long process, taking her seven or eight complete rewrites to come up with the final product. Her advice for writing autobiographically is to write a version for yourself that tells things you might not ever want to show anyone else. Then, take a good look at it and decide how you want to make that story into something to show the world.

"It was really important to me what the rest of my family thought of the film. If my sister said she didn't want something in the movie, then I took it out," she said.

Foley stresses that writing screenplays is hard work for everyone. "The first draft is always bad, no matter how long you've been writing. Don't be discouraged by the blank page, it always takes several rewrites to come to the final product," she said.

In Home Before Dark, Foley had the chance to work with some great actors. Katherine Ross, who is known for her roles in The Graduate and Donnie Darko, plays the aunt. Foley said that even though she was nervous about working with Ross to begin with, the actress ended up being very encouraging and helpful.

These days, Foley is working on something new. She is creating a new police series that will take place in Boston, called "The Tin." She's hoping to make the show more modern, and have it actually filmed in the city. If you want to learn more or help out, she's created a page on the popular project-funding website Kickstarter.

For all of the aspiring filmmakers out there, Foley has a few words of wisdom: "I think the best thing you can have in your toolbox is knowledge of the artistic things. The technical aspects of filmmaking are only getting easier. I recommend taking historical art and music classes to learn more about it, and lastly, read drama! It really helps."
I see, I hear, I learn

Ethan M. Long
Journal Staff

During the summer of 2007, "ghost-riding" was a craze. Within my group of friends, we took it to the elementary school parking lots. My friend would give his Subaru Legacy a bit of momentum and then shift into neutral. We would open the doors of the car and get out, run around, jump on the hood, and then get back in before hitting a wall or running into a baseball diamond. The soundtrack to these humid nights, cemented into my brain, was by the French-electro band Justice.

This week, Justice finally released their follow-up, Audio, Video, Disco. This is an album I thought I'd never hear. It had been pushed back so far, and although it never reached Duke Nukem: Forever status, which was in production for 15 years, it's still surprising that they were able to push this out after four years of waiting. The album shows a diverse change in style by the duo, Gaspard Auge and Xavier de Rosnay. They seem to have traveled to the 70s and grabbed quite a few ideas from a range of popular genres, including Disco, Prog Rock, and R&B.

The first track, "Horspower," feels like your stereo is amping up. I noticed first and foremost that there is a distinctly different sound in comparison to what I was expecting. It sounds like the track was filtered through a 32-bit Super Nintendo, with heavy metal-like riffs and drum beats bitcrushing over themselves. But then again, this is certainly not heavy metal; this is a solid electro album with beeps, boops, and epic baselines.

The second track, "Civilization," which was supposedly the album's title as far as anyone was concerned, is the first single. The song, currently featured in an Adidas commercial, features Ali Love, a disco/dance performer, singing as if he was in the okay technology, I get it.

The next track, "Canorn," sounds like an elegant baroque piece played on a synthesizer, a la Switched on Bach, which then turns into more of the same heavy electro riffs the album has latched onto your eardrums.

Some of the drumming on the album begs the question—who is in charge of this? At times it feels like a programmed machine, but then there are fills and hits that sound like a real in-studio drummer. "On'N'On," the sixth track, is a clear example of this. Maybe it's a mixture? There's a flute in this track, or a software flute? I can't really tell.

However, I can tell that "Brainvision," the next track, embeds its bass into the sides of your head while a mysterious guitar riff turns into the entire song, leaving an open-ended feeling. The guitar line splits into two different stereo tracks and then bounces back into one, which, if you're listening on headphones, will make your eardrums pull in each other's direction.

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"Extreme Couponing" not on their face. Cut to commercial.

And we're back! The customer, still flustered, gets their coupons out, and the total goes down to a crazy-low $40 or something. Holy shit. I'm amazed by the amount of items bought for these low prices almost as much as I'm amazed there's build-up tension before a commercial, only to have them cash in their coupons right after. Lame.

You know who's lazier though? YouTube user Edarem. Shown his "Scrubs Theme Music" video by another friend over the weekend, I was amazed at how dumb a decision to see YouTube as "the future" was. I could've lived without watching 95 percent of his videos, but this one video keeps me hitting replay. His old-fogey dance moves mixed with creepers-expressions is pretty entertaining, as he explains that he has a natural tendency to predict when the second "Superman" in the chorus of the Scrubs theme song cues in. "How can I do that?" I don't know man, but everyone else can too. Really, not that weird. Maybe I've never met anyone without a natural tendency. Maybe I just never cared. Either way, I guess Edarem has a "special skill."

Yep.

Ethan M. Long
**The Boston Herald loses all credibility**

In the latest move by right-wing media to try to discredit the "Occupy movement" the Boston Herald apparently decided that they can't. Instead, discrediting themselves by publishing one of the most unnecessary stories of any Boston paper in the last ten years. "Occupy Fashion" gave readers an inside look at what one Herald reporter saw as a few people wearing, because if we know anything about popular movements, looking at one or two people tells the entire movement. Apparently, knit-beanies are the look all Allston basements were into. Because we saw a few people wearing, because if we know anything about popular movements, looking at one or two people tells the entire movement. Apparently, knit-beanies are the look all Allston basements were into. Because they tried to figure him out. It continued through his SNL career, including a specific example where Hammond remembers performing a skit on the Bush-Gore debate and then being taken away in a straightjacket later that week. According to Hammond, "the fact is, I kept trying to get back up, and then I did."

**NBC orders show about White House, ...like that will work.**

Another "White House" based television show is on the way! A comedy series ordered by NBC called 1600 Penn will feature a dysfunctional family who live at the White House. NBC has had success with a White House show before, with the Aaron Sorkin-created West Wing. The new show, however, will be execrative-ly produced by Josh Gad (Book of Mormon), Jason Winer (Modern Family) and former Obama speechwriter Jon Lovett. It's like taking candy from a baby.

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**Your Week: Club Nights**

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Tonight, Re:Set presents ladies night with Ms. Thang and D-Eux reppin' local female DJ talent. At this weekly party at Phoenix Landing, tonight's sounds expect house, electro, tech-house, and more. [19+] Tomorrow night marks the seventh anniversary of the weekly Make It New night at Middlesex Lounge. The celebration calls for all resident DJs all night, bringing table turners David Day, Volvos, Die Young, Baltimoroder, and Alan Manzi. [21+] Friday, the White Rabbit and RISE present Superheroes vs. Supervillains, a Wonderland Halloween event. The weekly EDM party is the prime spot for the city's ravers, and this weekend's costume contest is giving away free entry to Wonderland and after-hours events at RISE for a year! Damien Paul, Jay K the DJ, Badl Neill, and Clownbag will be on the decks until 1 a.m.; then, the club switches over to after-hours when Make It New comes in with Alan Manzi, Baltimoroder, Ballan, and Lu Sallardiaga taking over music until 6 a.m. [18+] Sphere Boston is throwing another Halloween party at Om in Harvard Square. The monthly pure electronic music party is known for impressive lighting effects and top-notch DJs; this time it features Mike Swolows, Lu Sallardiaga, Justin Massei, and Daniel Merlino. In addition to free glow sticks and bracelets, there is no cover charge before 11 p.m. [21+] Gypsy Bar's costume ball on Saturday has a $1,000 prize in store for best costume. [21+] Haunted Haus at All Asia will be decked out with deco, candy, old school films, and LED lighting. Electronic and loss music will be taken care of by Baltimoroder, Wheez-ie, U.M.L., and General Motor. [21+] Throwed is throwing down early on Sunday with the Haunted Mansion costume party. DJs E-Marco, taxas Mike, Fantastadon, J. Will, and Kevin Wang will be playing cover sets as Skrillex, Afrojack, Drogg P., Aveti, and Laidback Luke. A special guest will cover Swedish House Mafia. [18+] Get tricks and treats in clubland Halloween. Embrace Boston is bringing in Pendulum to play a live DJ set at Middle East Downstairs. Also in the lineup of bars, dubstep and electro beats are Terravista, Lenaore and d. Surgo. [19+] Those not into that scene can move to top 40 and dance music spun by DJs Inkog-nito. Takeover Sounds and Glowkids at Felt Nightclub. There will be $200 in cash prizes for the best costumes. [21+] The new Tuesday nights at Bijou Nightclub guarantee a n d e c t r o b e a t s a r e T e r r a v i s t a, Lenore and d. Surge. [21+] Get tricks and treats in clubland Halloween. Embrace Boston is bringing in Pendulum to play a live DJ set at Middle East Downstairs. Also in the lineup of bars, dubstep and electro beats are Terravista, Lenaore and d. Surgo. [19+] Those not into that scene can move to top 40 and dance music spun by DJs Inkog-nito. Takeover Sounds and Glowkids at Felt Nightclub. There will be $200 in cash prizes for the best costumes. [21+] The new Tuesday nights at Bijou Nightclub guarantee a n d e c t r o b e a t s a r e T e r r a v i s t a, Lenore and d. Surge. [21+] The new Tuesday nights at Bijou Nightclub guarantee a n d e c t r o b e a t s a r e T e r r a v i s t a, Lenore and d. Surge. [21+]
Zero-hour costume ideas

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Halloween weekend is coming up, and if you haven’t already assembles your costume the panic may be setting in. Many of the popular ones can be expensive, and sometimes it’s hard to think of an original idea. For those still looking, here’s a list of 10 great Halloween costumes for this year.

Number one — An Occupier. Be it Wall Street, Boston, Maine, San Diego, or anywhere else, this is a topical costume that you can put your own political spin on. Whether you support it or not, make sure you know what it’s all about, and keep it obvious! Obscurity is never popular on Halloween, so if you’re gonna be an Occupier, make a big sign, take a stand, and hit the streets with that megaphone of yours. Another spin on the costume - current occupiers could dress up as their Wall Street brothers and sisters.

Number two — Charli Sheen. I’m sure we’ll see lots of winners donning the Sheen mask this Halloween. It’s a simple costume, and it would be easy to make as outrageous as you want. If you’re a dude, maybe bring some ladies along with you. Find a unique take on the outfit, or go the obvious route. Just make sure to keep the debauchery toned down – you’re dressing up like him, don’t take it too far! Duh!

Number three — a Harry Potter character. After many tears, tears, and more tears – yes, the Harry Potter series has come to an end on print and in the theater. This is the last year that a costume from Harry Potter will be relevant. Yes, the kids have grown up, and so have we – so get it out of your system now. Go all out, Harry Potterheads. You could go the risqué way and twist that Hermione costume up, or you can go classic and throw on your robes and wizard hat. Don’t forget the minor characters either; there are plenty to choose from. Go with your friends and represent your House. Whatever you do, just remember to have some serious magical fun. This could be the last topical Halloween at Hogwarts.

Number four — Lindsay Lohan. I think we can all agree, it’s time for this girl to go away, preferably in a prison jumpsuit. It’s a very recent issue, within the week, and you could do lots of things with it. You could throwback to her Parent Trap or Mean Girls days so we can all remember what she once was, or you can take it to the present. Mess up her hair, smear the makeup, and just be a mess. Think of it as a Ke$ha costume if it just so happened that Ke$ha was actually as hardcore as she thinks she is. This Lohan girl is a serious disaster.

Number five — a Zombie. With the recent popularity of AMC’s The Walking Dead, zombies are in again! You don’t need to buy the official costume, here’s a hint: zombies are gross. They’re covered in blood, they growl, and they drag their feet. This is an easy one and a trendy one for sure.

Number six — Amy Winehouse. Yeah, she was ridiculously talented, and it’s a huge shame that she passed away so early in life. However, her style was made to be out-of-the-ordinary. You could get together with friends to be Amy Winehouse, or you can fluff up that hair, over-apply your eyeliner and grab a microphone. She’s got a signature look, make sure to do it justice, and if they try to make you go to rehab – well, you know.

Number seven — Lady Gaga/Katy Perry/Nicki Minaj. These three lovely ladies are grouped together because they fall under the same category. Fabulous female pop stars, to be exact. We might see more pink and blue wigs this year than glitter and lace, but who wouldn’t want to dress like these girls? Gaga’s fashion is always changing, Katy inspired lots of cute costumes with her “California Gurls” video, and Nicki is seriously unique – and bootsylicious at that. Have fun, and get girly!

Number eight — a Superhero. There are a lot of superheros to choose from this year. We had movies like Captain America, Thor, Green Lantern, and X-Men: First Class released this year. You could even scoop everyone else and get together with friends to be The Avengers. This is a completely acceptable costume for girls, too! It’s a bird, it’s a plane, it’s a Pieces of Id.: college kid dressed like a super hero. Totally awesome.

Number nine — Mad Men. One of the major draws of this popular show is the retro style and the vintage accuracy. You don’t even have to be an actual character – just go for that traditional 60s mix. Look it up, and keep it classy. It’s pretty simple, so have fun with it.

Number ten — Nina Sayers (Black Swan). Technically this movie is nearly a year old, but it just slipped past the Halloween deadline last year. It’s a good alternative to the classic ballerina costume, and it’s plenty scary. It’s dark, it’s mysterious, and it’s honestly just awesome looking. Get ready to get creepy in that tutu, sweet girl.

Of course, you don’t have to go with any of these. I’d be more than happy to see a huge mix out on the streets this year, originality is always key on Halloween. Whatever you decide to dress up as, have fun, and stay safe!

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Oh Halloween, how we at the Journal love thee. It is the one holiday where we can all revert back to being little kids, dress in ridiculous costumes and not have to deal with questions about being, or not being, cute. We all have our own great little memories of Halloween shenanigans from our childhoods. Whether you were the devil’s advocate or a complete angel growing up, there was always a little trouble to be had on Halloween. Now isn’t an excuse to revert back to that sort of mischief.

Getting arrested for egging houses is cool when you’re 14, not 19. You don’t want to be in college calling your parents for bail money dressed as Luigi. It’s not a good look. Plus, you would look ridiculous in lockup in front of all of your new friends. And even though your mug shot would be priceless, your first real job interview wouldn’t be. Don’t mess up your future because you got a little too rowdy on Halloween. Your best bet is to just stay inside. That way, if anything gets destroyed at your house, you can pay the person back. Or at least just run out of the house before anyone notices the damage. So go out and enjoy this festive holiday that allows us all the opportunity to be pirates, sexy cats, or whatever other stupid costume you can think of. And remember, leave the vandalism to the children. It is their time now. Plus, they get charged as minors and it eventually gets cleared off their record anyway. You, not so much. Sucks growing up, doesn’t it?

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Health care debate is a matter of weighing undesirable options

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Health care is about numbers. It is about whether those numbers are decreasing or increasing, and just how high or low those numbers will become in a matter of years. The issues of health care that are occurring now deal with the decision to either cut or raise funds. It’s between holding a goal for the long term and jumping into a short term plan.

In Massachusetts, the health care plan is in fact working, although it isn’t showing immediate results in the economy. And even though officials are continuing to tout its successful results, they need to learn how to make it cost effective.

The congressional nonpartisan committee of twelve people has been charged with finding at least $1.2 trillion in cuts over the next ten years.

Multiple groups are attempting to create influence over this panel like the Tea Party, which has proposed cutting multiple programs by taking measure like privatizing air traffic control, reducing the pay for federal employees by ten percent and eliminating the youth volunteer program AmeriCorps. One other popular idea among the group was eliminating the Department of Education.

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GOP debate keeps schoolyard antics alive and well

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The GOP debate last Tuesday was complete warfare. I think we have officially moved past the point of pleasantries between candidates, and they're taking swings left and right.

I'm a little embarrassed about some of the behavior going on. I mean, I know the blows are getting lower, and tensions are high, but it's starting to look like a schoolyard in these debates. Multiple times, candidates interrupted each other. This ended up creating a sort of yelling competition at least three times during the debate. When did all of our candidates lose their manners and resort to trying to yell over one another?

The debate started with a pelting on Herman Cain. In previous debates, Cain had faded into the background, perhaps because none of the other candidates thought of him as a threat. Over the past couple of weeks though, he's been rising to top, and it's become clear that he is now a target.

Unfortunately, my previous "Man with a plan" is getting kicked in the shins about said plan. Everyone on stage took a shot at the 9-9-9 plan, most of them saying that it is more complex that Cain has let on. Cain, however, seems unshaken by the attacks, and is still confident on the plan. Cain definitely brings some level on honor to his campaign by sticking to his guns. When it comes to Rick Perry, it looks like he's a sinking ship. He's been having some trouble recently in debates, and he seems to be one of the major interrupters. Same as before, I think he's a little creepy. More importantly, he seems very emotionally affected by what others are saying about him.

Perry started off the debate with an unnecessary saying, "I'm an authentic conservative, not a conservative of convenience." His face was complete stone, and it seems like he doesn't even remember how to smile. Every time someone argued with Perry, he seemed to just get seriously angry. I find his general attitude unsettling, and immature.

Perry was also the cause of one of the arguments on stage at the debate. He insisted on interrupting Romney and just refused to shut his trap. Furthermore, the Texas governor dodged a ton of questions. At one point he said, "You get to ask the questions, and I get to choose how to answer them," to Anderson Cooper, and started talking about something completely unrelated. When asked about Romney's '9-9-9 point plan, Perry clearly had no read it, and so he moved on to some generalized promises about what he would do in office.

Romney, however, took his boating pretty well I think. Aside from Cain, Romney definitely got hit hardest. Perry was relentless on his accusations that Romney knowingly hired illegal immigrants in his home, but Romney was sold, explained what really happened, and refused to respond when Perry went back to the subject, saying, "I think we've already discussed this."

Rick Santorum was a much bigger part in this debate than in previous ones, but compared to others on stage, I still think he falls to the background. The biggest thing I remember, though, was his childish and persistent interruption when Romney was speaking at one point. He wouldn't let Romney use the time allotted to him and Santorum really just ended up looking silly.

If there's one thing I've learned about presidential debates, it's that you can't believe most of what you hear. The 2008 election was the first I was able to participate in, and it was the first I cared about. After seeing what Obama has done (or rather, not done) in office, it's easy to see that campaigning often strays from reality.

I think it's so unfortunate that candidates seem to ignore the realities of what they can and cannot actually accomplish if they're in office. The truth is that many voters really depend solely on what these people have to say, and it can often be the only information they look to at vote. Anyone running for office knows this, and I think it's frequently taken advantage of with tons of exaggerations on what they will do when elected.

All of the republican candidates are making promises that they cannot meet. Things like complete tax overhaul, repealing Obamacare, and fixing illegal immigration are, quite simply, not as easy as they make it sound. Actions like these take years to accomplish, if they ever get accomplished at all. My uncle used to tell me that election time made him sick, and now I think I finally understand why.

On a lighter note, Michelle Bachmann finally did something nice with her hair. I have to mention it, mostly because I've been a total hater of her hair in the past. It looks good when it's up. Unfortunately, it doesn't really help her cause when she's yelling "Andersett!" over and over again to try to get another chance to talk.

This debate was focused on Cain, Romney, and Perry. At this point, I think they are the front runners. I'm rooting for Romney and Cain, and I think Perry is quickly losing his fire. Thankfully, I think any of these candidates could beat Obama, and I just can't wait until we're finally at election time.

MASS legislators: come on shadows and get a clue

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Massachusetts House Bill 1169 is labeled as "an act protecting sunlight in certain public parks," but it is clearly evident that this bill does much more than that. The idea of banning new shadows on some of Boston's most prominent public spaces is, of course, a noble idea, but when one looks into the implications of such restrictions, it becomes apparent that this bill is detrimental to the growth and sustainability of Boston. Those who have proposed the bill to the state legislature -- representatives Marty Walz (D, Boston) and Byron Rushing (D, Boston) -- have also come out swinging against beneficial developments in the past, leading me to believe they do not have any city planning or economics backgrounds. If Boston is to continue to grow as a city, then we should leave the city planning up to the actual city planners, and not on Beacon Hill who are so easily influenced by deep pockets and personal aesthetics.

In reality, this anti-shadow bill comes down to being little more than an anti-green, anti-sustainability, anti-business, anti-jobs, and anti-Boston bill. The regulations outlined would directly impact developments for the entire Back Bay highspine, an area of the city specifically outlined for high rise developments in order to facilitate both the preservation of the historic Back Bay and South End residential neighborhoods and provide sustainable growth for the city. The highspine is a corridor flanked by the Green and Orange lines, served by multiple commutes, and served by Amtrak's Northeast Corridor services. These efficient mass transit options make the highspine the best candidate in all of New England for tall, dense developments. By impeding growth here, we further disperse development, which is costly both in terms of the environment and in government budgets. If we are to reign in burdensome sprawl and remain a major city, we need to keep urban development viable, and not simply pass problems on to future generations.

Although an environmental travesty, this bill is not without its detrimental economic impacts. The reduced project heights that will be imposed by this anti-shadow bill will make many projects less feasible. The projects which do make it through the development process may not also put a greater strain on local and state taxes, which are reliant on strong growth to allow for a flow of local property taxes, state income taxes, and the state sales tax.

Rep. Walz and Rep. Rushing have also failed to explain what is wrong with shadows on parks, completely ignoring the fact that most parks are desolate in the short, frigid days of the winter months, and that sunlight is needed to keep the region well-planted. The projects which would seek the relief of shady trees in the summer. Most of the city's trees and greenery also seem to thrive with the partial shade offered by buildings as the sun moves across the sky. Post Office Square is one of the most successful and beautiful parks in the city and is surrounded by some of the tallest buildings in Boston. Walz and Rushing might make for fine representatives in Wellesley or Weston, but please keep out of Boston's city planning -- that is the Boston Redevelopment Authority's job. With all this talk, one would hope the mayor or would stand up to Beacon Hill, but we've barely heard a peep. It is time to wake up.

The city needs to tell the state that we can take care of ourselves. If you can't stand the shadows, get out of the city.
Schweddy balls' may not be PC, but it's hilarious

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It sometimes amazes me what people get offended by. It's especially amazing to me that people still get offended by genitalia jokes. I mean honestly, who doesn't like a good dick and balls joke? They are light, pleasurable, and everyone can relate. Well, at least guys can. But alas, there is always some group of humorless people out there who are easily insulted and have nothing better to do with their time than ruin the fun for the rest of us.

Ben and Jerry's recently released a flavor of ice cream called "Schweddy Balls." The inspiration for the flavor came from a classic SNL skit starring Alec Baldwin. (If you haven't seen it, you really should check it out.) Now, any normal and sane person would look at this scenario, get a good chuckle out of it, and maybe partake in the eating of some fine ice cream. This, however, is America, where the mention of testicles causes uproars of massive proportions.

A Mississippi-based men's organization called the One Million Men's group is demanding that supermarkets boycott the ice cream claiming that "the name is nothing but locker room humor that's not appropriate for young children." Now, I'm not trying to tell people how to raise their children. It is completely up to you how you want to bring your kid up in this crazy world. But please don't act like I have to give a shit about your dumb kids.

The majority of them are going to grow up to be major disappointments who love dick and balls jokes anyway, so can we drop the charades? I mean really. Do guys have balls? Yes. Do they get sweaty sometimes? Absolutely. Are sweaty, vinegary balls hilarious? You betcha.

So then what exactly is the problem? You are all nuts. Correct me if I'm wrong, but to produce your stupid offspring in the first place you needed a pair of balls. Among other things. So why are you acting as though they are some sort of evil entity at the heart of all of the world's problems? This is a complete smear campaign of testicles if you ask me. Now I'll be the first to admit they are not the prettiest things in the world. But where they lack in beauty, they make up tenfold with functionality.

With NATO planning to end all military action in Libya by October 31st, is the National Transitional Council ready to step up and lead Libya into an era of peace and prosperity? Only the future can tell us, but there are a few red flags that sprung up regarding the NTC as of late.

The first and most important thing that the United States government needs to look out for is weapons. As most dictators do, Gaddafi had large arsenals of high tech weapons around the country, including a facility with yellowcake uranium. Reporters from Libya have stated that the NTC does not have the manpower to properly guard all of these weapons. The site with yellowcake uranium is supposedly guarded by a couple of college-aged men. This can end very badly for the NTC. As many unstable countries in the Arab world become havens for terrorists groups like al-Qaeda and its affiliates, a terrorist organization were to get their hands on something like a heat-seeking missile, they can strike us with devastating attacks.

Another issue to look out for with the NTC is human rights abuses. A human rights watchdog organization reported that it found 33 bodies outside of the city of Sirte, where there is video of him clearly alive being led away to a vehicle. He had a gunshot wound on the arm and a bullet wound from a head wound most likely delivered by a blunt object. But two hours later, upon his arrival at a hospital in the city of Misrata, he was dead, with a gun shot wound straight to his temple. The NTC claims that although Gaddafi died in their custody, they did not execute him. Regardless of whether or not you believe the NTC, or whether or not you think that killing him while in custody is just, it must be admitted that this entire scenario reflects badly on the NTC. If they were ordered by high authority within the NTC, then it is a disturbing sign that this new movement may be just as bad as Gaddafi. And if the killings were not ordered, then it is a lack of communication and control within the organization. If the NTC cannot control their own soldiers, how can they control a country?

There are several paths that the new Libya can take. It can become a democracy, like America, and serve as an example for the other Middle Eastern countries currently struggling to find their identities. A charismatic leader, like Gaddafi, could rise to power and return the country to its former state. Libya could even collapse during the transitional phase, like Somalia in the 1990s, and become a lawless land where multiple factions, including terrorist organizations, fight it out for supremacy. The fate of Libya, for the first time in almost 50 years, is in the hands of its people. Only time will tell how they will handle it.
Tebow leads Broncos to comeback win

The legend of Tim Tebow grew even more on Sunday, as he led the Broncos to an 18-15 victory against the Miami Dolphins. The Broncos were down 15-0 with 2:44 to go in regulation, when Tebow threw a 5 yard TD pass to Demaryius Thomas, to cut the deficit to 15-7. The Broncos then executed a successful onside kick, and Tebow executed a ten play, 57 yard drive, capped off by a 5 yard TD pass to Daniel Fells, making the score 15-13. On the ensuing 2-point conversion, Tebow elected to call his own number and rush in for the tying points, sending the game into overtime. The Dolphins then fumbled the ball on their second possession in overtime, and Matt Prater hit the game-winning 52 yard field goal to send the Broncos home winners, and leave Dolphins fans wondering "when is Andrew Luck getting to Miami?" Tebow finished the game with 226 combined yards (161 passing and 65 rushing), and proved that he's going to be the Broncos starting quarterback for the foreseeable future.

BCS starts to take shape

The BCS picture got a little clearer Saturday, as two more schools fell from the ranks of the unbeaten. Oklahoma lost at home to Texas Tech 41-38, and Wisconsin lost on a last second Hail Mary to Michigan State. At Norman, Okla., unranked Texas Tech nearly blew a 31-7 third quarter lead, as they held on for a narrow victory over number 3 Oklahoma. Quarterback Seth Doege threw for 441 yards, and three of his four touchdown passes were caught by Alex Torres. The loss snapped the Sooners 39-game home winning streak, and left 85,204 in attendance in an utter state of shock. Oklahoma faces a tough road in trying to get to the BCS Championship game, and currently sits behind both Kansas State and Oklahoma State in the Big 12 Conference. In East Lansing Mich., the sixteenth ranked Spartans shocked Wisconsin on a last ditch Hail Mary as time expired. Receiver Keith Nichol caught the 44 yard bomb from quarterback Kirk Cousins, and just like that, Wisconsin found itself in a Big Ten battle within the conference. There are now just eight unbeaten teams left in the country-LSU, Alabama, Oklahoma State, Stanford, Boise State, Clemson, Kansas State and Houston.

Epstein introduced as Chicago Cubs GM

Former Boston Red Sox General Manager Theo Epstein was formally announced as the new president of baseball operations for the Chicago Cubs yesterday, in what ESPN's Christina Kahrl called an "unveiling of a brand new world view for the Cubs." During Epstein's press conference, he emphasized the need for a change in culture in Chicago, stating a desire to invent "a Cubs way". Windy City fans will hope that Epstein can work his magic on yet another supposedly cursed franchise, considering he was a part of the 2004 Red Sox team that ended 86 years of the alleged "Curse of the Bambino". The new Cubs president of baseball operations addressed these superstitions by explaining he "doesn't believe in curses," only claiming that he will look into the behind the scenes operations of his new club and find out what needs improvement and what is already working.

Team standings

Men's soccer (GNAC)
1. Albertus Magnus 14-2-1
2. St. Joseph's (Me.) 11-5
3. Emerson 8-8
4. Norwich 9-8
5. Lasell 9-5-3
6. Emmanuel 10-5-4
7. Mount Ida 7-9-1
8. Suffolk 5-12-1
9. Johnson & Wales 5-10-2
10. Anna Maria 3-15-1
11. Rivier 0-14

Women's soccer (GNAC)
1. Lasell 12-4-1
2. Johnson & Wales 11-6-2
3. Albertus Magnus 11-6
4. Norwich 11-3-2
5. St. Joseph (Conn.) 11-5-1
6. Simmons 8-7-2
7. St. Joseph's (Me.) 7-4-4
8. Suffolk 9-6-1
9. Emerson 10-7-2
10. Emerson 6-16-1
11. Rivier 7-8-1
12. Mount Ida 2-13
13. Pine Manor 1-14-1
14. Anna Maria 0-19

Women's volleyball (GNAC)
1. Emerson 20-6
2. Rivier 16-13
3. Emmanuel 18-13
4. Simmons 17-8
5. St. Joseph's (Me.) 17-9
6. Norwich 13-9
7. Lasell 13-17
8. Johnson & Wales 7-23
9. Pine Manor 14-6
10. Mount Ida 12-12
11. Suffolk 10-16
12. St. Joseph (Conn.) 7-18
13. Albertus Magnus 4-20
14. Anna Maria 3-20

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Remembering Indycar driver Dan Wheldon

Mike McMahon
Journal Staff

IndyCar lost a legend on October 16th in Las Vegas. Dan Wheldon, who won his second Indianapolis 500 in May with one of the most dramatic finishes the series has ever seen, lost his life in a 15-car pileup that is being deemed one of the most visually violent crashes of all time.

The wreck happened early in the Las Vegas Indy 300, the season finale, and the race was not continued after news of Wheldon’s death. To those of you who have not seen the wreck, consider yourselves fortunate. It was an image that is certainly hard to handle.

Whether you are a fan of the IndyCar Series or not, it is hard to not be taken aback when something like this happens.

Similar to the reaction NASCAR had after Dale Earnhardt’s death in the 2001 Daytona 500, IndyCar has launched an investigation regarding the safety of its sport. IndyCar, unlike NASCAR, sports open cockpit and lighter cars that were averaging speeds of 220 mph during practice sessions before the Las Vegas race, 40-50 mph faster NASCAR averages at the same track. The facts are not hard to analyze.

IndyCar has vehicles that are barely half as safe and significantly faster than the ones NASCAR fans watch every Sunday. Even being the racing fan that I am, I know that it is insane to race these open wheeled vehicles at such blistering speeds.

Some are sitting around pointing fingers at the CEO of IndyCar, Randy Bernard, saying he was ignorant to the dangers that existed racing at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, a venue not annually used by the series. But now is not the time to point fingers.

Dan Wheldon lost his life doing the thing he loved most in life. We should be celebrating his life for the champion he was, not condemning the sport that he spent his life representing. The day before the wreck, Wheldon posted in his driver blog for USA Today, saying that he was frustrated going into the race, not because of the safety issues, but because he felt his car was not fast enough and his team was struggling to gain speed.

I was at that Daytona 500 in 2001 when Dale Earnhardt lost his life. I was eight years old and I remember not thinking much of the wreck when it happened. In fact, there was a wreck earlier in the season where Tony Stewart’s car went airborne for what seemed to be the better part of a minute and took out almost 20 cars, but no one was injured. Yet, on a simple wreck that has probably been duplicated hundreds of times in auto racing, the life of a legend, whose poster still hangs in my bedroom, was gone.

What I’m trying to say is that no matter what kind of car you’re driving, or how fast you’re going, or what kind of safety precautions are taken, accidents happen. Drivers know that. We all know that. We see it every day.

It doesn’t take 220 mph to create fatal accidents, but it just increases the odds. Yet Dan Wheldon is the first driver to lose his life in the IndyCar series since 2006. So there is nothing else to call this but a tragedy.

No one is to blame, as no one could have prevented it. Being someone who has known many people who race competitively, you better believe that if Dan Wheldon did walk away from that crash, he would have been racing again, the first chance he got.

I have nothing but respect for someone who is willing to put everything on the line to do the thing that drives them as a person. Rest in peace Dan Wheldon. If there is one thing I will take away from this, it is do what drives you as a person, because one day it will all be over.

Bruins hoping to cure 'Stanley Cup Hangover'

Matthew Bacon
Journal Staff

It is no secret that the Boston Bruins are not living up to their expectations through the first eight games of their season. Their 3-5 record is nothing to be proud of for the defending Stanley Cup champion, which puts them in twelfth place in the Eastern conference, only ahead of the Ottawa Senators, Winnipeg Jets, and Montreal Canadiens.

This Thursday, the Bruins face a pivotal moment in the season as they take on Montreal (1-4-2) at the TD Garden in the first game of a home and home series between the two teams.

Sometimes, all it takes is a classic rivalry game to wake a struggling team up. Rivals bring out the best and worst of each other in professional sports, and the Bruins need both. They need to come out flying on Thursday and put immediate pressure on the struggling Carey Price (1-4-0, .878 sv%, 3.13 GAA) and hit guys like P.K. Subban into submission early.

Big goals from players like David Krejci and Patrice Bergeron, who both only have one so far this season, would be a great energizer for this team still somewhat struggling to find their offense. Although it would be nice to say that Bruins should easily be able to capitalize on Montreal’s terrible start, this is not a game where records matter.

Thursday night at the Garden will be a battle between two rival teams desperately trying to redefine their season against each other. The Bruins don’t just need to win at home, however. They also need to go into Montreal two days later and sweep the home and home.

The best way for the Bruins to salvage this disappointing month is to win two clutch games against their biggest rivals ever.

The momentum factor from winning these next two games is unimaginable, especially going into the month of November where the Bruins have a relatively easy schedule, playing teams like Ottawa, Columbus, Winnipeg, and the New York Islanders.

When it’s all said and done, the Bruins have two huge games ahead of them. Beating Montreal not only once, but twice, would officially put the Bruins back in contention and give them a great foundation to move forward into the rest of the season.

If they don’t win, is it time for Bostonians to press the panic button? Absolutely not. Following the home and home, there will still be 72 games left to play this year, and every hockey fan knows that anything can happen in the NHL.

Center Patrice Bergeron (above) has only scored one goal in eight games for the Bruins this season.
Colts' winless season adds meaning to Pats' dynasty

Jeff Fish
Journal Staff

Of all the contentious rivalries the New England Patriots have accrued over the last decade and many playoff runs, one appears to be conspicuously absent this year—the Indianapolis Colts.

It's pretty safe to say that the Colts won't be a serious threat this year, as their star quarterback, Peyton Manning, is likely out for the season. The team has unraveled rapidly without Manning at the helm, so far with an abysmal record of 0-7, something Colt's fans are not accustomed to. The Colts have had a nine-year streak of ten or more wins during the regular season and unless a miracle happens, that streak is likely to end. This was evidenced in Sunday's 62-7 slaughter from the Saints.

As a New England fan, watching the Colts' fall from grace has been satisfying to say the least, but it also got me thinking about a dark time in the Patriots' past when we lost Tom Brady in 2008 after he suffered a torn ACL and MCL.

All hope seemed lost when we found out Brady would be out for the season and we had to bring in backup quarterback Matt Cassel, but the Patriots did not fall apart as many expected. The Patriots went a very respectable 11-5 that season, the same record they had the season they became the Super Bowl XXXVI Champions, but were gyropped out of going to the playoffs.

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NFL season full of suprises so far

Jeremy Hayes
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The 2011 NFL season was expected to have surprises after the end of the NFL lockout, but so far this year, the whole NFL seems like nothing we expected. There are surprises around every corner of the league.

The saying "it's anyone's game," was really infused in the brains of the Bills and Lions. Detroit is 5-2 and Buffalo is 4-2, two teams that are usually ranked at the bottom of their divisions are having some of their best starts. Ndamukong Suh, Matthew Stafford, and Calvin Johnson are trying to begin a new era in Detroit, with a team defense that is fifth in the NFC in giving up the least amount of points, estimated 17 per game. Buffalo has NFL ranking leader Fred Jackson in the backfield and are in third for total offensive points per game.

Michael Vick is not an elite quarterback in the NFL. The 2-4 self-proclaimed "dream team" had all talk and no action in the opening weeks of the season and the always beaten-up Vick is part of the blame. The thing that makes you an elite quarterback is being a winner throughout your career, not an all-pro season, and Vick cannot be put with the true elites, like Tom Brady, Peyton Manning, Drew Brees, and Aaron Rodgers. Vick is a great quarterback, don't get me wrong, but his speedy legs are not going to win championships.

The Pack is back! The Green Bay Packers look even better than they did last year, with Aaron Rodgers at the helm. The 7-0 Packers look like they have their eyes on the Super Bowl definitely this year, that streak is likely to happen. Rodgers' MVP victory could help get the team close to another championship. Obviously the Packers are on a roll, but we need to be cautious.

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Women's soccer qualifies for GNAC playoffs

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The Suffolk University women's soccer team continued their October success and finished their rally to qualify for the Great Northeast Athletic Conference playoffs.

The Lady Rams had a tough start to the 2011 season, but since the calendar has turned to October, this team has yet to lose a single game. Suffolk's record over the past month stands at 7-1-1 in what was the most important stretch in this season's schedule.

Senior Captain Kristina Michael.

Sophomore Gabrielle Balstier.

All of the aforementioned games came against GNAC conference opponents, and the only way for the Lady Rams to qualify for the playoffs this season was to run the table. Coach Ernst Cleophat's team needed to find the spark that led them to first in their conference just a season ago and live up to 2011's expectations.

This squad was able to do just that and finish eighth in the standings, securing the last playoff spot with a victory over arch-rival Emerson College with a 4-2 victory on the Lions' home field.

The game featured many of the typical faces on the score sheet for Suffolk, with Senior Lauren Cameron driving in the first goal of the match in the 14th minute of play, followed later on by fellow Senior Leslie Hayden and Sophomore Gabrielle Balestrier, who scored two goals on the day.

With Hayden's goal, she pushed the GNAC career goal scoring record to 70 with at least one more game in the season to increase that number.

The Lady Rams also defeated Rivier College this past Saturday in order to keep the playoff hopes alive, shutting out their opponents on Suffolk's senior night.

Cameron would be the only senior to score in that game however, with the other two goals coming from sophomore's Meghan McHale and Balestrier.

The GNAC tournament brackets have yet to be disclosed, but the early round matchups will take place this coming weekend. Suffolk will most likely be involved in one of the opening bouts due to their last place seed in the tournament.

Coach Cleophat was confident in his team's ability to qualify for the playoffs during an interview last week and he has every reason to feel the same heading into the tournament. There is an old sports cliché that states, a team can be deadly in the postseason if they get hot at the right time and that's what Cleophat's team has accomplished in October.

With Suffolk coming into the playoffs 7-0-1 in October, there is reason to believe this team can win the GNAC title in just their fifth season as a member of the conference.

Women's soccer freshman Melissa Brouillette was named Defensive Player of the Week by the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) for Division III New England on October 18. The Rams goalkeeper maintained a scoreless minute streak of 497 minutes and posted five consecutive shutouts.

Women's tennis wraps up season

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The Johnson & Wales University women's tennis team won 8-1 against Suffolk in the opening round of the Great Northeast Athletic Conference Championship, held at the Rhode Island College Tennis Courts on Thursday.

Suffolk's only win was in a doubles match featuring Rebecca Copeland and Adrianna Garrett,Erica Blanch and Allison Weisbach played very well in three different set battles in each of their singles game.

The women's tennis team finished 4-7 and had an up-and-down season. The team is still young with a mix of freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. Suffolk still showed this year that they will continue to be a threat in the GNAC, but just were not fully ready this season.

The GNAC playoffs are still filled with interesting teams, at the top being Emerson and Simmons.

Seniors Rebecca Copeland, Kelly Conrad, and Chloe Oldfather wrapped up great tennis careers with Suffolk University.

Women's volleyball hoping to finish strong

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The Suffolk University women's volleyball team eked out a five set victory against Curry on October 20th. The Rams won the first two sets by eleven and ten points respectively, before Curry came back to take sets three and four. The Rams took the final set 15-7 and improved their record to 10-16.

Senior Melissa Griffin led the Rams with 17 kills and 14 digs, and sophomore Colby Kennedy recorded a game-high 27 digs. Against Johnson & Wales on Tuesday, the Rams were simply outmatched, losing in three straight sets 25-16, 25-9 and 25-22.

It has been an up and down season for the Rams, as their record currently sits at 10-17, with a 3-8 mark in the GNAC conference. The team has two games left, and both will come this Saturday, first against Lasell then against Pine Manor.

Young players have been stepping up for the team however, as sophomores Maggie Hillman and Colby Kennedy lead the team in kills and digs respectively.

While they certainly won't be competing for a conference title this season, there is a chance that the team could find itself in the thick of the GNAC hunt next season, as the team will only graduate two seniors, and will return the other 12 players for next year.

Photo courtesy of Suffolk Athletics.

Senior Tanya Fortes (above) smiles during a recent match.

Freshman goalkeeper Melissa Brouillette.

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