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## Ready for the unexpected

### Seniors say goodbye to Suffolk

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What had started off as a cool, cloudy day soon turned into a clear host for graduates to walk across the stage with diploma in hand in front of their family, friends, volunteers, coordinators and the rest of the Suffolk community to celebrate their achievements and accomplishments

of earning their undergraduate degrees. The Sawyer Business School (SBS) and College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) both held their separate commencements at the Blue Hills Bank Pavilion in Boston on Sunday, May 22. That morning, guests filled the 5,000 seat amphitheater and took their places to witness the business graduates of 2016 and the commencement speakers. Both commencement speakers for the SBS and CAS gave insightful and thought-provoking speeches enriched with

giving back and current events. SBS speaker and YMCA of the USA President and CEO Kevin Washington discussed social responsibility and challenged graduates to restore "kindness, respect, inclusiveness and understanding" in today's society. As he spoke from experience of struggle and adversity, he told the graduates that with a degree from a "top-notch" business school, there will be many doors that will open for them filled with opportunity, financial stability and advancement.

"You've worked hard to earn this prestigious degree, and you deserve the rewards that will come as a result," said Washington. "But I hope you will feel a sense of responsibility to help those who don't have those talents, who haven't received the support you've received and who haven't had the opportunities you've had." Washington, who grew up in a tough neighborhood in southern Philadelphia, experienced his first opportunity when he walked into



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## A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

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Dear Class of 2020,

Congratulations on being accepted to Suffolk University! You are about to begin a journey filled with limitless opportunities and the experiences of a lifetime. This journey starts now. Orientation is a great place to make new friends, learn about the school, and start thinking about what you want to achieve over the next four years.

When you come back to Suffolk in the fall, you will have a world of options of things to do. I strongly encourage you to get involved right away. There are more than 80 different clubs and organizations to join, from cultural clubs, to performing groups, to the Student Government Association.

When I began my first year at Suffolk, I joined several different clubs, including SGA. Joining SGA has been the best decision I have made while at Suffolk, and it has provided me with experiences that I could not have imagined having when I started at Suffolk just two years ago. I strongly urge you to run for a position in SGA, or join one of our other numerous clubs and organizations.

By coming to Suffolk, you have chosen to come to a school with a strong community feel. We don't have a gated campus like many schools, but we have students, faculty and staff that care about your experiences inside and outside the classroom, and a city as our campus that is one of the best in the world.

I hope you enjoy orientation and the rest of your summer. I can't wait to welcome you all to the Suffolk Community officially at Convocation in August.

Again, congratulations on your acceptance and decision to attend Suffolk!

Sincerely,

Sean Walsh  
Student Government Association President

# Suffolk hopes new chairman brings stability

**Alexa Gagosz**  
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As the class of 2016 filled in for graduation after a year of unprecedented student rallies and media-wide controversy, eager faces welcomed noteworthy guests, President Margaret McKenna and recently announced Chairman Robert Lamb in his first public appearance.

Meanwhile and previously, a number of powerful names were thrown into the mix in the search for the next Chairman of the Suffolk University Board of Trustees in attempt to bring the school into a new era of stability.

Of the list were a number of Boston powerhouses nominated by current Board members and McKenna, but interestingly enough, all local requests were denied, according to the Boston Globe. Instead, the Board members ultimately decided to look beyond Boston and into New Hampshire, where a nominating committee chose former insurance executive Lamb as its top choice for the university and the Board, according to the Globe.

After tension unfolded between the Board and outgoing McKenna this year in a media frenzy, a coalition between students, alumni and staff was created as they rallied and demanded transparency from the Board, previously reported by the Journal. With a negotiation between former Chairman Andrew Meyer and McKenna reached resolution, in May Meyer left his post officially, opening up Lamb who hopes to transform the university.

It appears the Suffolk community has continued their strong support of McKenna, anxiously awaiting the implementation of the Board's recently updated bylaws.

"I'm encouraged by the steps the Board has taken recently and I'm really looking forward to putting behind the unfortunate



Courtesy of Suffolk University

## Chairman Robert Lamb

circumstances of the last year," said Student Government Association (SGA) President Sean Walsh, the previous vice president who was deeply involved in last year's affairs and worked alongside former SGA President Colin Loiselle.

For the Chair of the Philosophy Department Greg Fried, another strong faculty voice in the spring, he, too, looks to ensure that the governance problems for the Board are put as top priority to fix.

Fried shared that he expects Lamb to make sure the new bylaws are adequate, modern and that they, "fit best practices of similar institutions." The next, Fried said, is to oversee the transition of the Board.

"There are vacancies up on the Board and we need fresh faces," said Fried in a recent interview with the Journal. "Not just the roles of governance, but the style of governance needs to change."

For Walsh, these roles of governance rely on Chairman Lamb's ability to adapt and reform the university.

"Really what we're looking for is an

experienced leader who is going to take control of the Board. The new Chairman's top priority should be promoting effective governing practices," said Walsh. "In my opinion, Chairman Lamb needs to put a high priority on engaging students, professors, alumni, staff and administration in the Board and university's affairs."

"This sort of transparent engagement starts with the leadership of the Chairman," said Walsh. "If that leadership is applied, I am confident that the Suffolk community will be able to rebuild."

Insofar as members of administration speaking out on Lamb's recent appointment, retiring Dean Nancy Stoll's initial impression of Lamb is that he seems committed to learning about the university and its vast community.

"I expect that this approach will include outreach to students and probably through SGA, GSA and SBA as representative of student leadership," said Stoll. "I wish him well as he assumes this critical role."

As Dean Stoll ushered

in a new graduating class as a commencement presenter of diplomas, the image of a new age for Suffolk beside McKenna and Lamb was profound. For department of Government professor John Berg, he seems optimistic of Lamb's recent appointment.

"I heard him give a talk at the commencement dinner and it was really moving. The connection he feels to Suffolk," said Berg.

Commenting on Lamb's alma mater West Point - a well-known military establishment - Berg shared that Lamb's background and family life, being one of seven children is admirable, especially given the financial support from Suffolk that enabled Lamb to do what he wanted to do.

"He's always remembered and always felt that Suffolk was a place that helps people like him," said Berg.

On moving forward, "I think it's good that he is not tied to the past leadership or the Board. It's a good thing that not many people knew who he was," said Berg. "I have high hopes."



# Washington, Warren talk social responsibility

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a YMCA when he was just 10-years-old. He is the first and only black president and CEO of the YMCA, in which he has used to promote diversity on the Board. He told a personal story of where he met his first mentor, Bill Morton. He reflected on his life prior to meeting Morton and realized that the chances that he would end up standing in front of Suffolk's graduating class delivering a commencement address as president of the YMCA were slim.

Washington also made founder and former President of Suffolk, Gleason Archer, as an exemplary model for social responsibility. While Archer was an aspiring lawyer, a benefactor loaned him money in order to study law and all Archer was asked of was to pass along the favor. Archer had believed that the increasing waves of immigrants arriving in America should be given the same opportunities that were usually only reserved for the wealthy during that time.

With his honorary degree of Doctor of Commercial Science, Washington said he will wear the honor kindly and he left the SBS class of 2016 with one thing, to "think globally and act globally."

"Social responsibility is everyone's responsibility," said Washington. "Make it your responsibility."

Suffolk President Margaret McKenna said that as a class, students have contributed 40,000 hours of community



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Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren with Suffolk President Margaret McKenna and Chairman for the Board of Trustees Robert Lamb at the College of Arts and Sciences Graduation in May.

service from tutoring children, cancer patients, and helping the homeless.

"Intelligence is a gift, what you do with it is a choice," said McKenna.

McKenna said that the class of 2016 was gritty and ready to go out into the workforce. She said that the graduating class was a lot like Nelson Mandela, whose name means "shaker of the trees, meaning troublemaker."

"I welcome you into the world of troublemakers," said McKenna. "Make a change and trouble to better this world."

Student speaker Amanda Ho, who received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) in Information Systems and Operations Management (ISOM) reflected on her own personal journey and overcoming challenges faced. Ho praised the Suffolk and ISOM communities.

"Suffolk allows you to accomplish anything as long as you work toward

it— there are endless possibilities," said Ho. "They know it's not about who you were when you came in, but who you will become when you leave."

Ho shared what her father has instilled into her mind, which is finishing tasks, but never being done. Ho said as of [May 22], they are 99.999 percent done, but 100 percent unfinished. However, the class is 100 percent finished as they close out their chapters at Suffolk.

"You are strong, which is why you chose Suffolk," said Ho. "It's also why Suffolk chose you and believed in your ability to come out the other side stronger. Go out there and change the world because you are ready, and you are Suffolk."

Proud tears were shed, but many smiles and snapshots were shared in watching retiring Dean of Students Nancy Stoll as she announced the names of 643 seniors to walk across the stage to receive their diplomas.

Right after the conclusion of graduates walking, Suffolk University Rampage Show Choir performed, tassels were turned right and left and caps were thrown mid-air under the center of the amphitheater.

Just four hours after the SBS commencement began, the amphitheater was filled once again for the CAS commencement and Massachusetts' Senator Elizabeth Warren's speech to the College's graduates.

Before Warren came to the podium to speak to graduating students about fighting for their beliefs, student speaker Victoria Ireton, a government and philosophy double major who received her Bachelor of Arts degree, shared her story.

"We graduates all have a story about why we chose Suffolk, why we stayed at Suffolk, and how Suffolk has become a part of us," said Ireton.

Before she pursued college, Ireton said she was homeless for a

year and a half, did not make the best decisions. Before Suffolk, she had always thought that her misfortunes would dictate her future, but she said she was wrong.

"I look back and think about how I wouldn't be where I am today without the classes, loving professors and caring staff members," said Ireton. "Needless to say, my story was shaped by all of you."

Ireton then shifted her admiration to the faculty and administration to her classmates, whom she said were her "true driving force."

Even as graduates and CAS alumni who will be a part of other communities, Ireton said the class's stories at Suffolk will never really end.

After Ireton's message of leadership and giving back, Warren reminisced on the same beginning grounds that Suffolk began on that Washington did with her appreciation for the school and its

founding.

"I can't think of a better place to be celebrating education than at Suffolk University, a school founded in 1906 for the best possible reason, a deep belief that because higher education matters, it should be available not just for the wealthy few, but for everyone," said Warren.

As a now educator, advocate, and policy maker, Warren's journey began in a working-class family as a first-generation college student.

"Suffolk would grow in many ways that [Archer] could never have dreamed, becoming a world-class university and a cornerstone for the city of Boston," she said.

But with a life of unexpected twists and turns of her own, Warren advised graduates to embrace them.

"If you take the unexpected opportunities when they come up, if you know yourself and if you fight for what you believe in, I can promise that you will live a life that is rich with meaning," said Warren.

She emphasized that the path that people want to take in life will never be easy, but that it is worth fighting for.

"Now that I am in the Senate, I can tell you that Washington is full of people who say 'no, no, no' and who are saying it in nastier and nastier and nastier ways," said Warren. "Fight for the job you want, fight for the people who mean the most to you, and fight for the kind of world you want to live in."

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# Down to the wire

OP-ED

Bernie Sanders: the only option for the democratic card

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Sen. Bernie Sanders is the best candidate for the Democratic Party.

Simply put, Sanders needs to be the nominee. Without Sanders at the forefront of the national platform, the Democratic Party may be at serious risk for a Donald Trump presidency.

For more than 30 years, Sen. Sanders has been consistent on every issue from the Iraq war



By Twitter user @BernieSanders

and the rise of the Islamic State [IS] to the 2008 recession. For decades, it seemed he has preached his anti-war, pro-middle class rhetoric to empty committee rooms and being ignored until today where his preaching is finally resonating with the public.

Along with her

infamous email probe, Sec. Clinton has a past with the presumptive and highly controversial Republican nominee Trump. According to the Clinton Foundation, Trump has contributed over \$100,000 in campaign contributions to her organization as well as to her Senatorial

campaign when she represented New York in the past. Now at odds, it's interesting to view Trump's contribution to Clinton in hindsight.

From minimum wage, trade deals, campaign finance and even same-

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## Blind anger, utter complacency, or misguided optimism

Sam Scanlan  
Journal Contributor

Voters can have the ireful populist rhetoric of the presumptive GOP nominee Donald Trump, they can have what would essentially be a continuation of the past twenty years in the form of the Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, or vote for a previously tried and failed, admirable, but impossible economic system vowed by Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders. What is interesting in the upcoming election compared to previous elections is that each candidate is notably flawed in their own way.

Entire books could (and surely will) be published about the potential presidential candidacy of Donald Trump.

Voters have witnessed nothing less than history in experiencing the Trump's ascension to political stardom and many of the world's most informed political minds have commented on his campaign thus far. As such, it seems appropriate to focus on an issue with Trump's campaign that isn't regularly addressed.

Trump is a protectionist.

Trump has, on multiple occasions, expressed his intent to implement sizeable tariffs on foreign goods imported to America, which he sees as a way to strengthen the economy and ensure American companies look to its citizens for employment, thereby reinforcing his promotion to use domestic good.

Interestingly enough, Sen. Sander's stance on

trade and tariffs is nearly identical to Trump- he too seeing taxing imports as a means of supporting American jobs and industry.

In no way is this sort of thinking new- it can be traced back to the economic ideals of the mercantilists of 16th century Europe. The result however, is appears to be always the same. Protectionism creates what economists call a dead weight loss. This loss occurs because protectionism disallows the use of comparative advantage. When we allow trade to be free, each country will produce what they are best at producing so as to export it and earn a profit, Thailand produces rice, France produces wine, etc, and these goods are traded internationally

between companies in different countries thereby allowing the consumers in each country to have access to the highest quality of a particular good despite perhaps not living somewhere where said good is produced. Under a system of protectionism however with high tariffs on foreign goods, a country is forced to produce all the goods to satisfy the needs and wants of consumers. This causes two major problems.

One, prices on many goods go up, as there are always, for a variety reasons be they geographical, political or others, going to be some goods that another country is able to produce more cost effectively. The

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## Campaign Commentary

Who is best fit for the job?

By Maggie Randall

With the primary election season coming to a close, it is time to look towards what will come next in the 2016 Presidential Election.

There are just ten primary elections left until June 14. California will have their primary election on June 7 and will be crucial to both the Republican and Democratic candidates. There are 546 delegates for the Democrats, and 172 for the Republicans.

These last few primaries will be very important for Democratic candidate former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton who is just 597 delegates away from having enough to be the nominee for her party.

Donald Trump is expected to be the nominee for the Republican party, but is still waiting for crucial support from party leadership.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell has said that he will support Trump if he ends up being the nominee, this is likely Sen. McConnell's hope to reunite the Republican Party.

Speaker of the House, Paul Ryan, has not yet supported Trump, and has spoken out against him in the past. In early May, Trump and Ryan met to discuss their differences on issues and policies. In a joint press release, they explained how they will come to compromises. But, can Trump really make compromises?

On the Democratic side, Clinton is expected to be the nominee. Sen. Bernie Sanders has put up a long fight, winning primary elections even into the summer. Even so, Clinton surpasses Sanders with super delegates, and has been endorsed far more often by senators, congressmen, and governors.

In July, the Republican National Convention and the Democratic National Convention will confirm the nominees from each party. The Republican National Convention will be held from July 18 to 21 in Cleveland, Ohio. The Democratic National Convention will shortly follow in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from July 25 to 28.

Once the nominees are chosen, this summer will be about finding vice-presidents. Candidates will have shortlists for vice president sometime over the summer, but the vice-president will likely formally be announced in August.

The first presidential debate is scheduled for Monday, September 26. Afterwards, two more presidential debates and one vice-presidential debate will follow in October.

The general election will be held Tuesday, Nov. 8. The last day to register to vote before the presidential election is usually about 30 days in advance. In some states, it is just 10 days before the election, and in Massachusetts it is 20 days before the election. To find when to register to vote in your home-state, go to [rockthevote.com](http://rockthevote.com) or contact your city or town hall.



# Saudi scholarships support students abroad

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When American students graduate college they are usually guaranteed only two things: a diploma and crippling student loan debt. The amount of total student debt is now speculated to be in the trillions and has been a hotly contested issue in the current presidential race. Although student debt may seem unavoidable for many students in the United States, it remains a problem that pertains almost exclusively to Americans. International students, specifically from Saudi Arabia, studying in America experience significantly less financial concern and often receive government aid from their home countries.

Scholarships given by the Saudi government have opened the pathways for international education. The Saudi Arabian King Abdullah Scholarship Program, sponsored by the Saudi Arabian Ministry of Education, encourages students to study abroad by offering this scholarship which pays for the students full tuition, helping them obtain a debt-free degree. Suffolk University welcomes many international students with one of the largest communities coming from Saudi Arabia. According to Tracy Fitzgerald, Suffolk University's assistant director of international programs and services, the vast majority of Suffolk's Saudi students are taking full advantage of this scholarship program.

"Out of 225 [undergraduate] Saudi students that we have, close to ninety percent use the scholarship," said Fitzgerald in a recent interview with The Suffolk Journal.

While offering a free education, the King Abdullah scholarship comes with specific requirements. To qualify for the scholarship, the Saudi students must enroll



By Facebook user King Abdullah



By Facebook user Saudis in USA

The non-profit organization, Saudis in USA, helps Saudi students that are currently studying throughout the United States by providing information and resources, including the scholarship program.

**"These individuals of different qualifications in the finest and best universities in the world will contribute to the achievement of the Saudi Vision 2030."**

**-Fahad Sultan Abdulrahman Elmoisheer, Suffolk senior**

in majors that are dictated by the government. This is to ensure a diversely educated community of Saudi students that can improve the country upon return.

"They try to make it as even as possible in terms of bringing back these Saudi students so that the workforce has a lot of diversity to it," said Fitzgerald. "I think Saudi Arabia is trying to do their best to diversify from just being an oil country to a country that has financial services and other creative industry that is something other than petroleum."

While this type of scholarship has stricter guidelines than most, the advantages experienced by the scholarships recipients are ones that American students are not often afforded.

"The benefits are that they are graduating without debt," said Fitzgerald. "It is an amazing opportunity.

I think it's a great commitment on part of the government. It was a very bold initiative by the King."

A distinct pride can be seen in the community of Saudi students who look forward to bettering their country upon graduation. In April, Prince Mohammad bin Salman Al Sad unveiled Saudi vision 2030, which is an initiative to remove the country's reliance on oil, according to BBC News. This has been notably energizing to Saudi millennials who look forward to diversifying the country's workforce.

"I believe one of the most important things we need in Saudi Arabia is discovering the raw potential of our youth as well as encouraging our social and communal activities," said Ali Alhassan Hamidaddin, a Suffolk junior studying entrepreneurship and legal studies. "As millennials represent the

highest demographic in Saudi, there's plenty of talents and competencies that could and should be discovered, broadened and expanded to even further improve our collective character in today's globalized world." According to Hamidaddin, he was able to experience opportunities that would not have been possible without this study abroad program.

"There were many opportunities exclusive for students studying abroad," he said.

For someone who went to high school in Jeddah, which is a major urban center of Saudi Arabia, he never imagined that he would be so involved in a community at Suffolk. During his time at Suffolk, he was hired to be a commuter ambassador who helped off-campus students navigate a city he wasn't even brought up in, became a mentor

for international students, and join the National Model United Nations Suffolk team to perform at the United Nations headquarters in New York City.

"King Abdullah's scholarship was a key program in paving the way for my study abroad experience," said Hamidaddin. "Globalization is at an accelerated pace today, and countries that dismiss the need to expose their youths minds on an international scale are definitely missing out."

As Saudi Arabia continues to look to improve the country through education, Saudi students remain grateful for the chance that they are given to improve themselves and their country as well. Fahad Sultan Abdulrahman Elmoisheer, a Suffolk senior studying business, sees the scholarship as an investment that will continue to help

Saudi Arabia reach its developmental goals.

"[The] King Abdullah Scholarship Program is one of the most successful investments," he said. "These individuals of different qualifications in the finest and best universities in the world will contribute to the achievement of the Saudi Vision 2030."

The implementation of this scholarship has brought great national pride in the young Saudi generation, revitalizing the culture of education and broadening the country's talent.

"The exchange of scientific, educational and cultural experiences with the various countries of the world built a professional cadre of qualified Saudis in the work environment," said Elmoisheer. "On behalf of all Saudi Students, I thank King Abdullah for his trust and faith in his sons and daughters. We will not forget you."

# American historian critiques US foreign policy

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For the past few decades, America's involvement in the Middle East has been a large source of tension and controversy. It has led to the death of numerous soldiers, civilian casualties and the destruction of neighborhoods and communities.

Recently, Dr. Andrew Bacevich, Boston University professor and New York Times best selling author, condemned the United States' war actions over the past six decades in his speech 'America in the Middle East: Alliances and War' at the Suffolk University Law School. Bacevich's presentation was put together by World Boston, an organization dedicated to increasing awareness about global issues.

Bacevich's speech centered around his book, "America's War for The Greater Middle East: A Military History." He spoke about how his book outlined the ways in which the U.S. has acted in the past, such as in the Vietnam War, and how history is in many ways essentially repeating itself today with U.S. foreign military policy.

Many people tend to wonder about what it is that should be done about ISIS, and Bacevich noted that that was the wrong question to be asking when it comes to addressing ISIS.

"What to do about ISIS is a non-trivial question, but it is of far less significance of others that have too long gone largely ignored," said Bacevich. "Does waging war across a large swathe of the Islamic world make sense? Is that war winnable in any meaningful sense, and if not why are we there? Is there no alternative?"

The central theme of Bacevich's presentation focused on how the pride of the U.S. has led the country to fail in its foreign policy. He said the U.S. prides itself on having the world's greatest military, which has ultimately led the country to abuse its military power. This has made matters worse for other countries as well as

for the U.S.

He discussed the basics of why the U.S. went to war in the Greater Middle East in the first place, citing the U.S. pride as the ignition to the chaos.

"In a narrow sense, it began as a war for oil, yet even from the outset much more was at stake than ensuring access and achieving cheap gas that fuels the American way of life," said Bacevich. "From day one, the larger purpose for America's war [with] the Middle East has been to affirm that we are the people to whom limits do not apply."

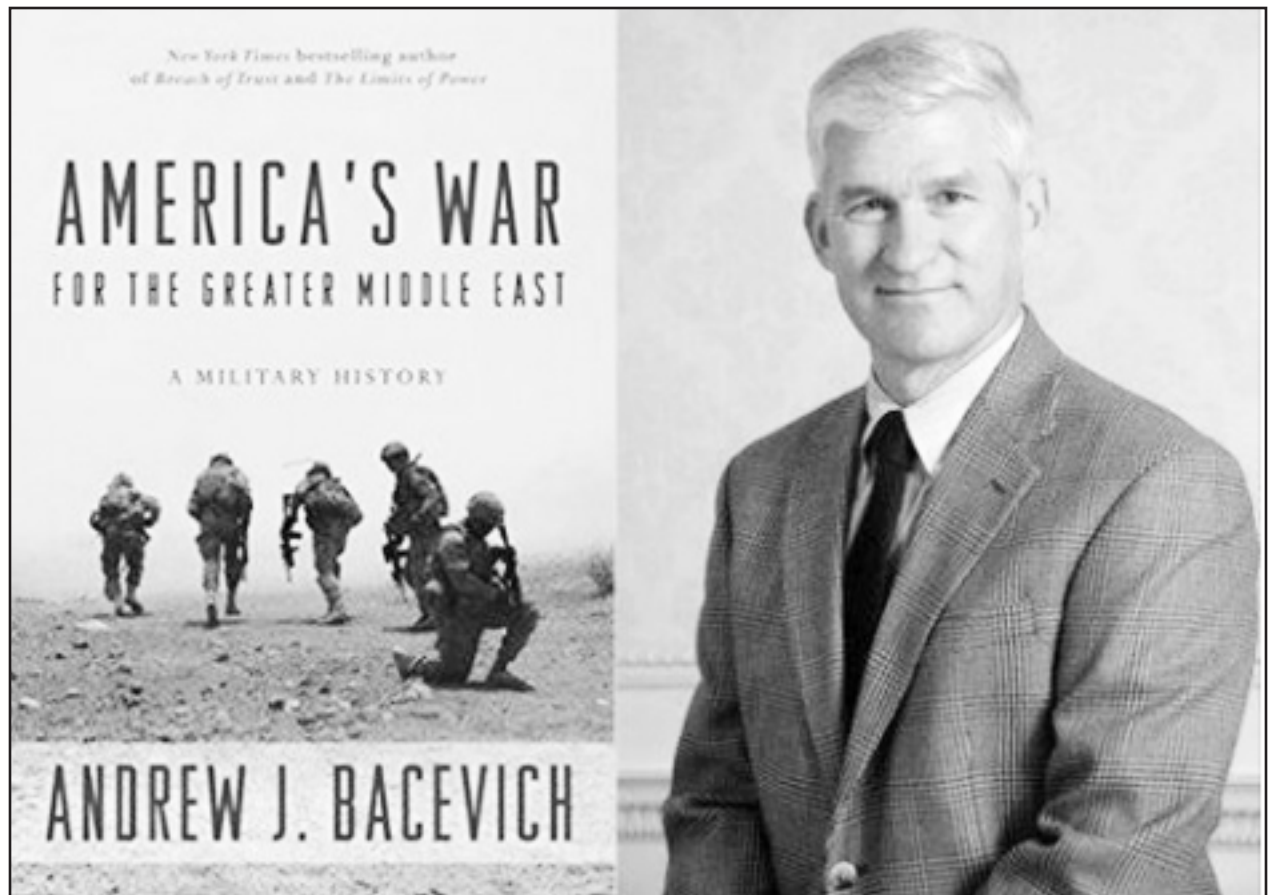
Berating the U.S., Bacevich recounts the actions taken by the U.S. in the past.

"In a sense, for a war that now extends into the 21st century, the U.S. has sought to validate or affirm the apparent outcome of the 20th century," said Bacevich. "As enshrined in our collected memory, that outcome extensively testifies to America's global preeminence political, military, economic, cultural and ideological."

When listening to U.S. political leaders, Bacevich said there is a disconnect between what they have done and what they say they hope to accomplish. They state intentions to punish those who are immoral, defend the innocent and liberate people in the Middle East. He said their decision to dispatch military troops to invade, occupy and raid multiple parts of the Islamic world, since 1980, they have actually intended to impose American ideals onto other countries.

He described how the decisions that U.S. leaders have made has put the country in a position where they need military forces in countries such as Lebanon, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Bosnia, Kosovo, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

"Unfortunately no administration ever devised a plausible strategy for achieving American aims, each administration in turn has simply reacted to situations that it confronted," said Bacevich. "Nor ironically, has any administration available the means needed to make good on the grandiose ambitions that it entertained."



By Facebook user Ron Paul

Dr. Andrew Bacevich is a Boston University professor and a retired U.S. Army Colonel.

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# ‘Megacities Asia:’

How bamboo, silver cups and rubble immersed in constant motion reconciles sprawling Asian population at the MFA

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Stories accumulate like pollution in big cities. Stories of lives untold, laughs never shared and events never spoken of.

Twenty-four digital screen panels reflect the faces of the eleven artists who contributed to the 19-piece exhibit, “Megacities Asia,” at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston.

A “megacity” refers to a city with the population of 10 million or more, and in 1960, the only megacities that were currently sustainable were New York City and Tokyo, Japan. Now, there are nearly 30 across five continents.

The exhibit which was featured mainly in the Gund Gallery sprawls a wall-to-wall map of Asia featuring cities from Beijing to Shanghai, Delhi, Mumbai and Seoul, each marked within two concentric rings: the innermost ring representing the population in 1960 and the outer in 2014, showing the six fold exponential growth of population spanning the last 54 years.

From each of these cities hails an artist featured in the exhibit, each of them bringing a story from their home to share a physical representation.

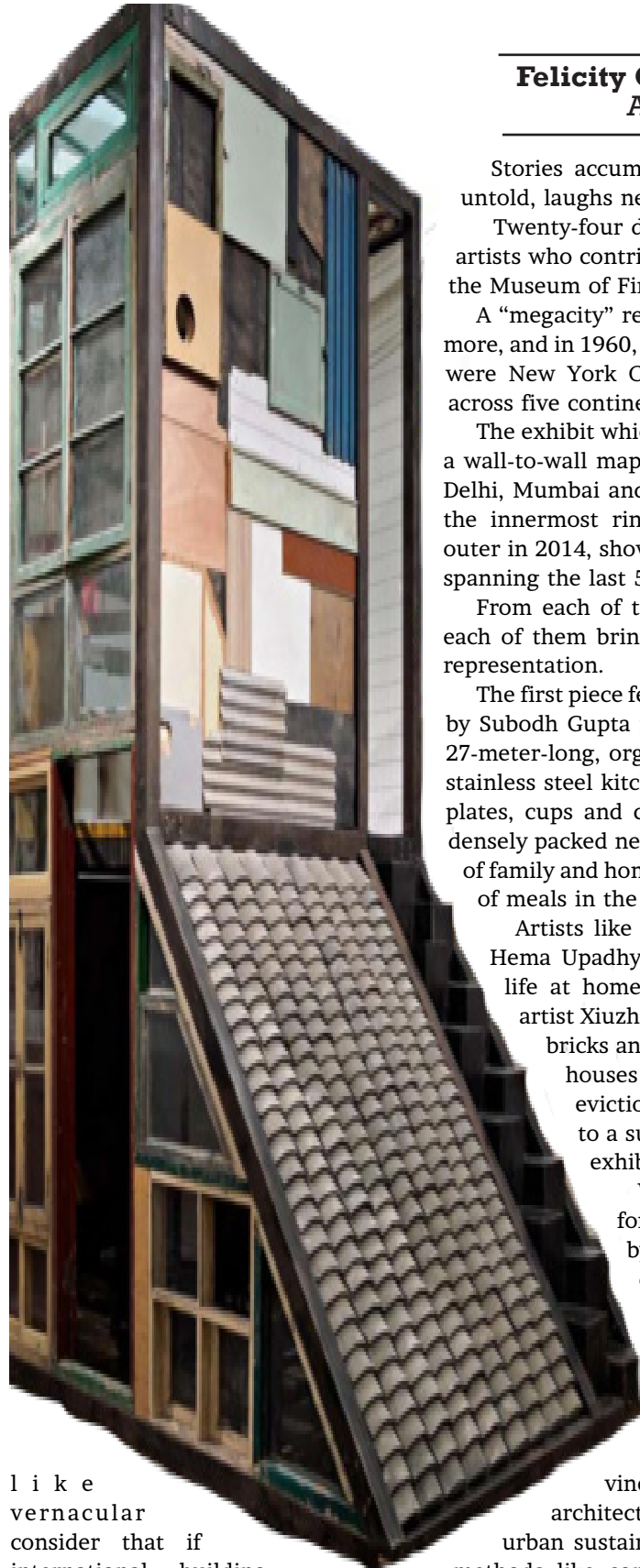
The first piece featured, “Take off your shoes and wash your hands,” by Subodh Gupta from Delhi, India is a strong piece consisting of a 27-meter-long, organizing shelving display of 102 pieces of spotless, stainless steel kitchenware. With each shelf consisting of a set-up of plates, cups and canteens with sporadic differences represents the densely packed neighborhoods of Delhi. As a tribute to the traditions of family and home life, the piece credits and regards the importance of meals in the Delhi culture.

Artists like Yin Xiuzhen of Beijing, Asim Waqif of Delhi, and Hema Upadhyay of Mumbai echo the culture and traditions of life at home- a common theme throughout the exhibit. The artist Xiuzhen’s piece, “Temperature,” was made up of recycled bricks and pieces of clothing from the rubble of demolished houses in her city where many families were forced into eviction due to the property system in China, according to a supplementary informational plaque adjacent to the exhibit.

Waqif created a piece titled, “Venu,” which is Hindi for bamboo. In a description of the piece supplied by the MFA, Waqif’s interactive art in his words is described as a work “designed to reward people who are curious.”

A seemingly misshapen creation of rickety bamboo, cotton, jute rope and tar stands his piece on an all black background, capturing people from afar. Inside the interactive hut-like structure dangle ropes from the ceiling

vines in a jungle. Structured in outdated Delhi, architecture style, Waqif’s impression pushes viewers to urban sustainability marries local materials like bamboo, with methods like concrete and steel, the traditions of home can be



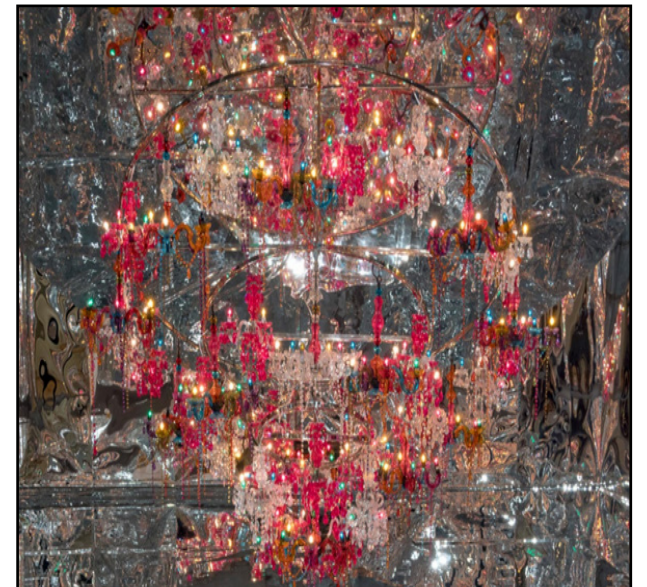
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Perhaps one of the biggest stars is the late Hema Upadhyay, who is featured twice in the Gund Gallery with the pieces “8 x 12” and “Build me a nest so I can rest,” both emphasizing the traditions of home and family. In “8 x 12,” a visual representation of the living situation of rural “slum” Mumbai is shown, using similar building materials of houses of Indian neighborhoods within dimensions of an average living space, according to the MFA. Missing it’s fourth wall, it allows visitors to experience the tightness of the quarters while observing a bird’s-eye view of how densely packed these neighborhoods are. By using these materials she shows not only the economic status of most of these people but the richness of the culture and diversity these people have to offer.

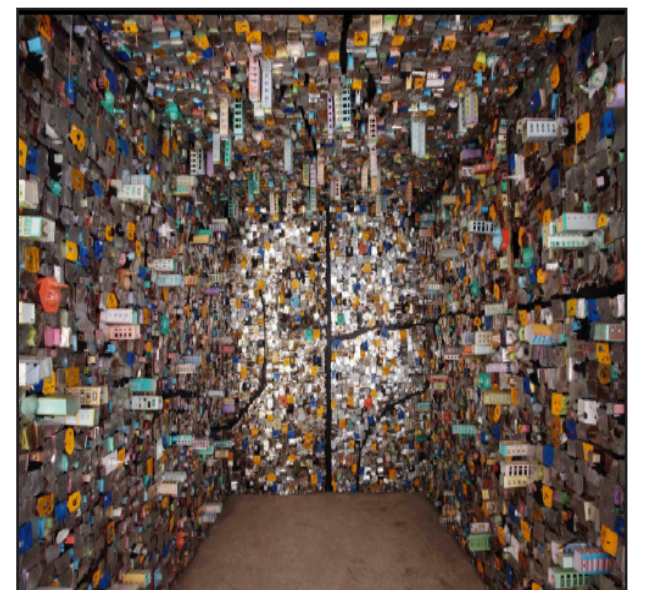
However, it is Upadhyay’s piece, “Build me a nest,” that is truly inspiring. Comprised of 300 small handmade clay birds, all of which represent a different migratory species to reflect her family’s migration during the 1947 Partition of India, according to the artist in a statement provided by the MFA. Each of the birds holds a quote in it’s beak which offers words of hope and inspiration. This work speaks volumes with regard to today’s current immigrant and refugee crises that happen all across the world.

These 19 works hold 19 stories of lives untold. Through the power of visual stimulation, “Megacities Asia” evokes feelings of awe and sympathy.

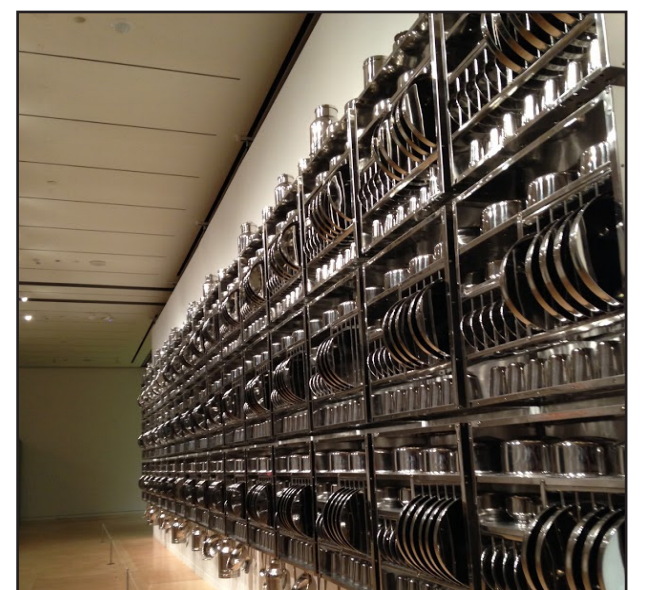
Megacities will be open to the public and running until July 17. Students get in for free with a school ID.



CHOI JEONG HWA,  
CHAOSMOS MANDALA, 2014



HEMA UPADHYAY, 8’ X 12’, 2009



SUBODH GUPTA,  
TAKE OFF YOUR SHOES AND  
WASH YOUR HANDS, 2008



# Boston Calling all women

**Felicity Otterbein**  
Arts Editor



Amidst the throes of people gathered at the Third Annual Boston Calling Music Festival in City Hall Plaza, stood thousands of music fans aching to quench their sound-driven thirst for new artists and big headliners.

During a weekend full of strong and empowered women within the music industry, Boston Calling highlighted a number of current world issues, including gender equality—a common theme shared by most of the groups was the celebration of life and how short it can be.

Music artist Janelle Monae, who was wheeled onto the stage via hand truck, gave an incredible performance, which was inspired, by her belief in respect for yourself and the people around you. She discussed being aware of the world around you, the wage gap and the constant search for race and gender equality. She was quoted saying to the crowd, “never take your presence for granted.”

Irish-born performer Hannigan, a singer-songwriter, gave a spectacular performance with sultry alto-toned vocals and stunning displays of instrumental talent, playing the guitar, ukelele and mandolin in her half-hour set.

Artists like Lizzo, who has an multiple songs dedicated to self-appreciation, preaches about learning and understanding self-worth and the importance of loving yourself with an aggressive bass line and awesome empowering lyrics.

True to form, Sia appeared in her Cruella de Ville wig that covered half of her face, complete with a comically large bow on her head, and achingly beautiful set comprised of tales of abuse and heartbreak.

Boston-born band Palehound, with female lead-guitarist Ellen Kempner, kicked off the blisteringly hot Saturday event with a set of cool indie-rock vocals and an appreciation for the celebration of local bands and expressing that, “it’s important to get involved.”

Keeping with the theme of having a good time and enjoying life, French group Christine and the Queens hosted the ultimate dance party. With thumping techno sound and catchy lyrics, Christine (birth name Héloïse Letissier) and her surrounding group of hip-hop dancers had everyone moving and grooving throughout their entire set with parting words, “stay freaky.”

Ending the weekend in style were icons Elle King, Janelle Monae and Haim. Elle King, known for her chart-topping hits, preached about seizing moments and addressed the audience by and said, “if someone tells you not to do something, do it.”

Rock and roll goddesses Haim sang about being taken advantage of and finding people in your life who you can trust and enjoy being around. The trio of sisters had just come off performing select dates during Taylor Swift’s 1989 tour, posted on their Instagram page.

The festival will be moving to the Harvard University’s Athletic Complex in Allston next spring, and in efforts to prepare for an additional film appreciation segment, organized by Harvard alumna Natalie Portman, the organization will not be holding it’s annual fall edition. This spring will have been the final installment at the City Hall Plaza site, and it will continue to be put on once a year over Memorial Day Weekend. This relocation will be done in the hopes of expanding on an already very diverse musical lineup, as well as building on a combination of art, comedy, and film, according to a press release in late May from 44 Communications, the firm that handles the festivals public relations.

To catch up on any and all of the weekend excitement, check out @Boston\_Calling or search #BostonCalling on Twitter.

## Troupe chooses laughter, first

**Felicity Otterbein**  
Arts Editor

the title of first in the Regional College Improv Tournament in 2014.

Junior theater major Claire Boyle looks forward gaining new relationships and expanding her network of current members and alumni.

“I think growing as a team, especially with new members is going to be great,” said Boyle. “We didn’t lose any seniors, so, because there was no loss, that means we, as a team, get to spend more time together and get stronger.”

Evoking laughs at various comedy hot spots around Boston, the group is known for doing productions with other schools in the area, like Northeastern University and Brandeis University, according to Boyle.

“We’re hoping to go to Clark University [Worcester, MA],” she said. “Their improv group

has come to us in the past, so it would be cool to go to them.”

Unlike most performing arts groups, Seriously Bent will not be as affected by the Temple Street buildings sale. Their performances mainly took place on a weekly basis in the 150 Tremont Street basement every Thursday. However, at the end of every year, they produce their own two-hour revue with the PAO.

“The Seriously Bent End Revue is a special show for the group,” said Associate Director of the Performing Arts Office Kathy Maloney.

“It is unlike any of the other shows they do all year. It combines the type of improv and structures that everyone has enjoyed watching the group perform regularly at their weekly residence hall shows and other



Courtesy of Claire Boyle

Some students choose to express their passion. Whether it’s on the field or stage, students of Suffolk University choose to be involved in their university. For Seriously Bent, one of the two sketch comedy groups on campus, they’ve chosen to make people laugh.

Despite losing their manager, which caused turmoil for the executive board, naming two new captains to handle their affairs, it seems Seriously Bent is looking for serious success.

Recently, the laughing crew finished second at the College Improv Tournament National Championship in Chicago this spring and snagged

performances around town with some self written sketches.”

Behind Seriously Bent’s success is ImprovBoston member Tony Passafiume who gives guidances and support on different ways and techniques to get the crowd laughing.

With Passafiume involved, the group is excited about working toward this year’s upcoming Regional College Improv Tournament, which acts as the qualifier for a trip to the National

Championship in Chicago, as well as their own revue at the end of year and hosted improv festival, according to Blackburn.

“It’s nice to be a part of something,” she said. “I know that I’ve made friends that will last throughout my college career.”

According to sophomore Allison Blackburn, the group meets twice a week, outside of their scheduled Thursday performances at 150 Tremont basement to write their own sketches,

do exercises to build up their skill-set, and do a workshop to improve on their ideas as a way to prepare for the show.

This fall, they plan on holding their annual fall semester auditions around the third week of September to get a sense of the incoming potential talent, and are open to taking new members, according to the group.

Check out Seriously Bent performances at all of the upcoming orientations and involvement fairs.





Craig Martin/ Journal Staff

## Lack of tabling may pique student interest

**Patrick Holmes**  
Opinion Editor

As a school that is centrally focused on its students to make a difference, succeed and tell a story, Suffolk has backtracked on its way to creating a more involved student university. For many years, Suffolk has allowed its clubs to showcase their mission at orientation. But, for the upcoming freshmen, their orientations will not allow them the introduction to the diverse opportunities within the community.

Including orientation, the Temple Street involvement fair was a

way for new students to explore the options that Suffolk offers outside the classroom whether it be joining comedy troupes or making battlebots. As an ongoing, historic and well known tradition for years, as students acknowledged the last fair the overall presumption and hope was that Suffolk would reasonably replace it with something similar. However, with no plans in sight it appears that won't be the case as of yet.

In a previous interview with the Journal, outgoing Suffolk University President Margaret McKenna expressed her firm belief of finding new

student space as Suffolk real estate became smaller.

Said McKenna in October in an interview with the Journal, "I want to be able to provide students all the resources possible so they can have that engagement in the community. Students that engage stay."

So, while controversy and problems may have plagued McKenna's mission as her presidency and chaotic involvement with the Board dominated much of her time at Suffolk, with the loss of buildings, loss of student space and what seems to be a student body

in need of community, it's off-putting that tabling at orientation be compromised due to lack of student space, information provided by leaders at a LEAP retreat this spring.

But, lack of student space should not limit Suffolk from engaging its incoming students and it hasn't; admissions at Suffolk created the influential hashtag #SuffolkSaidYes for the students who were accepted, which seemed to establish an online, involved community for the forward looking class.

However, did Suffolk create this online platform

to distract perspective students from the turmoil that happened this past year? It could have been an effort to save the looming reality of yet another president out the door. But is an online community what's next for the engaged student base at Suffolk?

The possibility may be real since SUConnect is in the realm of Suffolk used resources allocated to students. Yet, will an online student base even compare to a firm handshake and a smile from a club member?

The next moves for Suffolk to engage its current and incoming

students are endless. But the university could utilize the new space in front of the Somerset building; Roemer Plaza. Such an area would not only introduce clubs and organizations, but also showcase what Suffolk has to offer in new space and the future it has to offer for students.

That being said, the lack of student space is not an excuse for tabling to be left out of orientation. Suffolk may be heading toward a more technology driven community; or maybe there is more in store for the opportunities Suffolk has to offer.

### A PERSONAL STORY:

## Journey program help students realize their potential

**Katie Dugan**  
Journal Staff

In the past few months, more than 700,000 students had submitted their applications to universities of their choice. In a cluster of recommendation letters, SAT scores and academic transcripts, admissions offices are starting to look more heavily on one other aspect of a prospective student- leadership and involvement. Universities are starting to look for the personality warmth, energy, and character that SAT scores and high grades can't always reflect. Colleges, much like future employers, are putting a larger emphasis

on what the student can bring to their institution or business based off of background experience instead of just a GPA number. Leadership alone can now make or break an application.

Suffolk University is certainly not the "traditional" college. Instead of a peaceful, quiet campus with rolling hills of green grass, we have a campus of skyscrapers and the sounds of honking horns and construction. For me, Suffolk University has redefined the stereotypical college experience.

Suffolk's multitude of extracurricular programs made available to students are what shape

the university. From greek life to religious organizations, the vegetarian society, radio show and the Student Government Association, there is something here at Suffolk for everyone. If you want to leave college with more than a piece of paper, get involved in something. You will get more out of your college experience and major with hands-on practice than just sitting in a classroom. The rewarding experiences you will gain from participating will stay with you long after graduation day and trickle into your professional future.

One club I always push to incoming freshmen is the Journey Leadership

Program. Journey is an organization on campus whose mission is to instill leadership qualities into its participants. The very first program I participated in was a three-day retreat in New Hampshire for level one Journey students. Up until this trip, I hadn't known what it meant to be a leader. A leader in my mind was confident, extroverted, and capable of anything.

I was mistaken.

One thing from this trip that I will never forget was when one of the leaders told us about a woman named Kitty Genovese, who was raped and stabbed to death in 1964 outside of her apartment in

Queens. Dozens of people claimed they heard Kitty's cries for help, but no one tried to save her. Our leader wanted us to realize that being a leader meant speaking up and being proactive in situations outside your comfort zone. I left this retreat with a completely new outlook on life. I remember feeling an insurmountable amount of hope and positivity about the next four years. As someone who struggles with anxiety, one of the most crippling aspects is constantly feeling incapable. The idea that I was in control of my own success and happiness was infinitely healing.

That trip was the

catalyst to dozens of remarkable experiences I had with Journey. Being involved with this program continues to change my life and my outlook. This program has made me more confident, generous, and open-minded than I was when I started college. My advice to incoming freshmen would be to mold your college experience into something that will make you a better version of yourself for you and your future employer. Don't let your insecurities prevent you from the person you've always wanted to be. Whether it's the Journey Program, a sorority or debate team, do yourself a favor a get involved on campus.



## EDITOR'S WORD

*On behalf of The Suffolk Journal, we are very pleased to welcome in an incoming class. In a time when representing and advocating for student voice could not be more important, we've had the distinguished pleasure of being at the forefront of Suffolk University affairs for nearly 77 years.*

*As we embark on a new year, keeping both the past and present in mind, as your award-winning news force, there is a great responsibility in delivering the news you have the right to know. But, we cannot do this alone.*

*As future leaders of the Suffolk community and a news team that has heard it all, we encourage any and all students to reach out to us to let their story be told.*

*While we hope you enjoy your Orientation festivities and becoming acquainted with the university easily, it's no secret as a breaking-news source that we rely on your class' leaders, advocates, rule-breakers, entrepreneurs and non-profit pushers to speak on behalf of your peers.*

*You are the future of Suffolk. Now, let's get to work.*

*Best,*

*Alexa Gagosz  
Editor-in-Chief*

## Sanders' solutions hold errors

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second issue is that while costs goes up, the quality of many goods will likely come down. While the motivations behind both Sanders and Trump's protectionist policies are understandable perhaps even laudable, the loss incurred by protectionism greatly outweighs what is gained. Economics aside however, protectionism is morally wrong. Protectionism is your government telling you "No, you can't spend your money there you have to spend it here."

Not just trade, but economic policy in general seems to be a very peculiar aspect of this race, particularly that of Sen. Sanders. Sen. Sanders is valid to put great importance on issues like income inequality and crony capitalism. There is, however, a fundamental

error in the solutions Sen. Sander's sees in these issues: His democratic socialist ideology argues that these issues and many other should be dealt with through expanded government, increased regulation, and more federal involvement.

Income inequality has been a direct result of the uncontrolled printing and borrowing by the Federal Reserve. Every minute of every day, new money is being printed, thus lowering the value of the money every day people have in their wallets and bank accounts. Raising the minimum wage would not do anything to help this, it may lift people up temporarily (at cost of making it more expensive to operate a business) but if the Federal Reserve continues with this uncontrolled printing and borrowing, eventually, as has happened now,

inflation will outgrow wages and in a number of years the exact same argument about needing to raise the minimum wage will reoccur. In order to fix income inequality, there needs to be massive reform in monetary policy so as to prevent the Government from continuing to rob the working class through inflation carried out by the Federal Reserve.

Then of course we have the current candidate, and at this point is probably fair to assume as the presumptive democratic nominee Hillary Rodham Clinton. One could rack their brain for hours and struggle to find one positive thing to say about Secretary Clinton. Obviously there's the various scandals, be it Whitewater Real Estate, Libya, her email servers, or any of the others she's been involved in. Then

there are her many clear and undeniable flip-flops on various issue over the years. What's more off putting about her however, is that she represents what the worst part of both parties. On the economy she is a watered down less genuine version of Sanders. On her foreign policy, Secretary Clinton may as well be John McCain or George W Bush. While she was secretary of state, the U.S. military [unprovoked] entered Libya dispose of its leader and create a "democracy." She has also promised to set up no-fly zones in Syria, which would most likely lead to eventual armed conflicts. Does this not sound more like the foreign policy of a neoconservative military hawk like John McCain or Lindsey Graham, as opposed to a progressive democrat?

## Clinton nomination may mean Trump takes the Oval office



By Claire Schneider

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who had participated in questionable banking methods. Sec. Clinton has stated she wants to break up the big banks, yet those are her biggest campaign contributors. Sec. Clinton cites Lehman Brothers and investments banks on shadow banking and tax evasion in her explanation of how these companies must be more heavily regulated. When looking at her campaign contributions, Lehman brothers gave over \$363,000 dollars to Clinton and investment banks nearly three million since her political start in 1989, according to the Huffington Post. How can one promise

sex marriage, Sec. Clinton has consistently flip-flopped.

Campaign finance has been an issue Sec. Clinton is continuously silent on as she was pressed on her campaign contributions by then Senator Obama in 2008 and now Sen. Sanders in 2016. In one of the first presidential debates when Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley was in the running, Sec. Clinton listed numerous companies

to heavily regulate the same companies in which they have received contributions?

In the social light, Sec. Clinton did not come out in support of gay marriage until 2013 in a Human Rights Campaign Ad, according to PolitiFact. In an interview with Chris Matthews in 2002, on the Senate floor in 2004, and even in 2010 on an open forum she stated her disapproval of gay marriage. Clinton's continuous inconsistencies and changing policy lose independent voters.

Recently, Rasmussen reported a 41 percent to 39 percent poll in

favor against Trump in the general election. In another poll from Quinnipiac this year, Sec. Clinton is predicted to beat Trump by seven points while Sanders in that poll and many others beats Trump by double digits.

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# Sylvester, Pulek honored for big bats and swings



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**Skylar To Sports Editor**

With their recognition, they are looking to display the honor on and off of the field to grow as athletes as well as to help the softball team fulfill an ultimate goal: to capture a Greater Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC) Championship.

Sophomore Jill Pulek and junior Delaney Sylvester were named with spots on the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) on Wednesday, May 18. Pulek was named to the first team and Sylvester was named to the third team.

Pulek, a catcher, a designated hitter and third base player, said her selection to first team means a lot to her, and she appreciates getting recognition for her hard work ethic and success. The 19-year-old Cheshire, Connecticut

native finished the season as one of the top hitters in the GNAC, earned the GNAC Corvias Rookie of the Week twice, got on base at a conference-best, and slugged a team high of .798.

“I have hit well, I think I was able to find success with my given role on the team,” said Pulek.

Both players praised their teammates for helping them earn the honors, and Sylvester, who plays center, extends her gratitude to her former and current coaches and family.

Since Sylvester’s freshman year, the 19-year-old Worcester, Massachusetts native has improved on her hits, and she produced “a lot” of runs batted in (RBI) as she led the team with 46 RBI.

“Though I made the second team [2015 NFCA All-Region] freshman year, [my sophomore year] I did a lot better,” said Sylvester. “I was more consistent through the year and my bat stayed

hot the whole season. I believe I became a lot more selfless at the plate and I developed a small game.”

With their numbers, Pulek and Sylvester contributed to the success of the Lady Rams 2015-16 season. The team won their second straight GNAC regular season title and closed out the season with the most wins in softball program history, a 33-9 record.

“Whether my team went 33-9 or 9-33, I am very honored to be a part of this team,” said Sylvester.

“It is awesome to be a part of Suffolk University softball history,” said Pulek. “I want to continue working hard to be even better.”

However, after a “tough” 9-1 elimination to Emmanuel College in the GNAC Tournament, Pulek and Sylvester stressed the team’s goal in winning a GNAC Championship. The team also lost to Emmanuel in a 9-7 GNAC Tournament

game on Friday, May 6. With three games to play on Saturday, May 7, their teammates efforts did not go unnoticed, as Pulek said, “[her teammates] gave it their all, and that is all that matters.”

“We were swinging the bats really well, and produced seven runs,” said Sylvester. “But, it was the first time all season that we allowed more than six runs against us. There were times that we had hits that didn’t fall our way and there were times that hits fell their way.”

Sylvester thinks the team will be able to improve as a group from this past season, and make adjustments to be even better and successful. Sylvester said the team went from not being able to score a run her freshman year to finishing the past two seasons first in the conference and winning two GNAC Tournament games in the post-season in a 9-5 win versus Albertus Magnus and a 7-2 win against St.

Joseph (Conn.) on May 7 before their 9-1 loss to Emmanuel in the GNAC Tournament elimination round.

“I am looking to really improve my small game that I developed this year, because I think it will be a huge asset for me,” said Sylvester. “I plan on working hard during the off-season to really keep my bat hot for the next season as well.”

“And now after the past two seasons that I have had, I think I am going to be a lot more patient at the plate and really look for my pitch when I am hitting or catching, I think I need to continue to be a leader behind the plate for my team.”

Besides playing alongside players who share a love for the game and goals in keeping up the winning record, winning a GNAC Championship and making a run in the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) Regional Tournament, Pulek and

Sylvester have made lifelong friends being a part of the program. The team has a family-like bond.

“We are friends off of the field, which carries over to the field and it makes it so much easier to win games,” said Sylvester.

Along with growing as a player in the past year, Sylvester, a biology major, likes to think she has helped her teammates grow as well.

“A lot of them come to me when they have questions about hitting and their swings,” said Sylvester. “[Head Softball Coach Jaclyn Davis] always tell me that I have a “high softball IQ.”

Pulek, a biology major, who entered her freshman year with “little to no expectations,” said the team consists of truly an amazing group of girls. “They have all made my first year better than I could even imagine and they made it truly unforgettable,” said Pulek.



# Suffolk coaches distinguished by conference honors

## Davis breaks barrier for women in athletics

**Skylar To**  
Sports Editor

The 2015-16 season was better than Head Softball Coach Jaclyn Davis could have imagined.

Davis led the team to its most winning record in history as the Lady Rams finished the regular season with a 33-9 record on May 4. Davis achieved her 100<sup>th</sup> career victory by 87 of those games as a result of her four years serving as head coach at Suffolk.

"The season was fun, challenging and emotional—and it ended up being the most successful season in program history, which is incredible," said Davis in an interview with the Journal.

To top off the season, Davis was named the Greater Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC) Coach of the Year on May 9,

which Davis said is a great honor.

"As a young, female in the coaching profession, it can get pretty tough to be respected, which is always a challenge," said Davis. "Recognition like [being named GNAC Coach of the Year] is validating and acknowledges that people have respect for the work that I have put into this program."

Davis, who said she worked hard to rebuild the program in 2013 in her first season coaching, praised the program's success.

"This just means that I have found a strong, dedicated, hardworking group of young women to represent Suffolk on the field," said Davis. "When they get on the field, it's not about me or them, it's about us as a program."

Though team faced challenges this year, Davis helped them stay mentally tough and game ready.

"This group of student-athletes is extremely

special," she said. "They are young, passionate and hungry, and they worked all year to prepare for the season. Their work ethic and dedication to the program as a whole is what sets them apart."

"The successes of this season mean that I am staying true to who I want to be as their coach and that they have bought into this program, and are working to be the best that they can be as Suffolk student-athletes."

The team persevered through the challenges they faced and won many games, however they fell short in their fifth straight appearance in the GNAC post-season tournament and were eliminated on May 7, in their third game 9-1 loss to Emmanuel.

Despite what Davis saw as playing extremely well, she said at some point the game got away from the team quickly. But she's confident that the team will bounce back from the loss.

"I don't think the

score of that game is definitive of who we are as a program or even the season that we had," said Davis. "While we had some things working against us, no one played with more heart that day."

With the departure of some seniors, Davis is looking to recruit and enhance the team.

In order to do so, Davis plans to have the team train year round to improve on their skills as individuals as well as to learn from mistakes made to ultimately build onto their success as a program moving forward.

In a recent interview with the Journal, Davis shared she will continue to work hard to set her team up for success, and knows her team will be doing the same wherever they are this summer.

"Every year there are things we want to improve on and do better, I always want to be able to give them more and better of whatever that is," said Davis.



Courtesy of Suffolk Athletics

**Head Coach Jaclyn Davis led the softball team to their 33-9 record-breaking season this year.**

## Del Prete leads team to another championship, NCAA run

**Skylar To**  
Sports Editor

Suffolk University's baseball team finished another season coming out on top.

With the team looking to defend their 2015 championship title, it was an "exciting moment" when the team accomplished that goal. On May 8 against Saint Joseph's College of Maine (Standish, ME), they left Rhode Island with the first back-to-back Greater Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC) championship in the program's 69 years. With a strong desire to win, Head Baseball Coach Anthony Del Prete said the team was motivated in achieving the goals they set out to accomplish.

The team's success was recognized under Del Prete being named the GNAC Coach of the



Courtesy of Suffolk Athletics

**Head Baseball Coach Anthony Del Prete**

Year. He attributes the award from the program's "quality group of players" and assistant coaches John O'Brien, Jay Parker and Mac Jacobson who work just as hard to develop talent for the program, according to Del Prete.

"I think our team played well throughout the year and showed we were the best team in the

conference and also one of the top teams in New England," said Del Prete.

They closed out the 2015-16 season with a 33-13 record, the most wins in a season since the program's 38-9 record in 2000.

"I'm happy for the seniors who were able to go out on top, but also happy for the younger guys as they continue to

set a bar of excellence," said Del Prete.

"The players are responsible for our success this season. We challenged them, and they responded and were able to perform at a high level, so all of the credit for our success belongs to them," said Del Prete. "[GNAC] Coach of the Year is a team award and a reflection of [our] program."

Despite being faced with challenges like inclement weather throughout the season, the team stayed game ready.

"We continued to remain focused on what we needed to do to be good and got some key contributions from guys like [graduated senior right-handed pitcher] Kyle Turner and [upcoming senior first base player] Kevin Belskie who had strong second halves [of the season], and helped us keep pace," said Del Prete.

However, Del Prete thinks the team can be better. He said that in 12 of the 13 losses of the season, the team had the opportunity to tie or extend the lead.

The team's GNAC Tournament Championship win earned them an automatic qualifying bid into the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) New England Regional Tournament, which is also the program's first consecutive back-to-back regional appearance.

The team faced "two quality opponents" and was eliminated from the NCAA in their 5-2 loss to Keystone College [Factoryville, PA] on May 18 in Mansfield, CT, and in their 6-5 loss to Wheaton College [Norton, MA] the following day at the Eastern Connecticut State University Baseball Stadium in Willimantic, CT. Del Prete said the team had the chance to win both games, but they

"just came up short." Despite the effort and team's ability to play well, he said the team did not play "well enough."

The 2015-16 season was a "great stepping-stone" for the team. In preparation for next season, the team will continue to work toward being one of the top teams in New England and to make a run in the NCAA. But, to make it all happen, Del Prete said the team has to focus on winning the GNAC conference first. "Our goal moving forward is to compete at the national level. We will continue to recruit players that can perform at a high level both academically and athletically here who will represent our program well," said Del Prete. "I hope our success will help motivate Suffolk's other programs to excel and also show that this is a school where you can do well athletically."