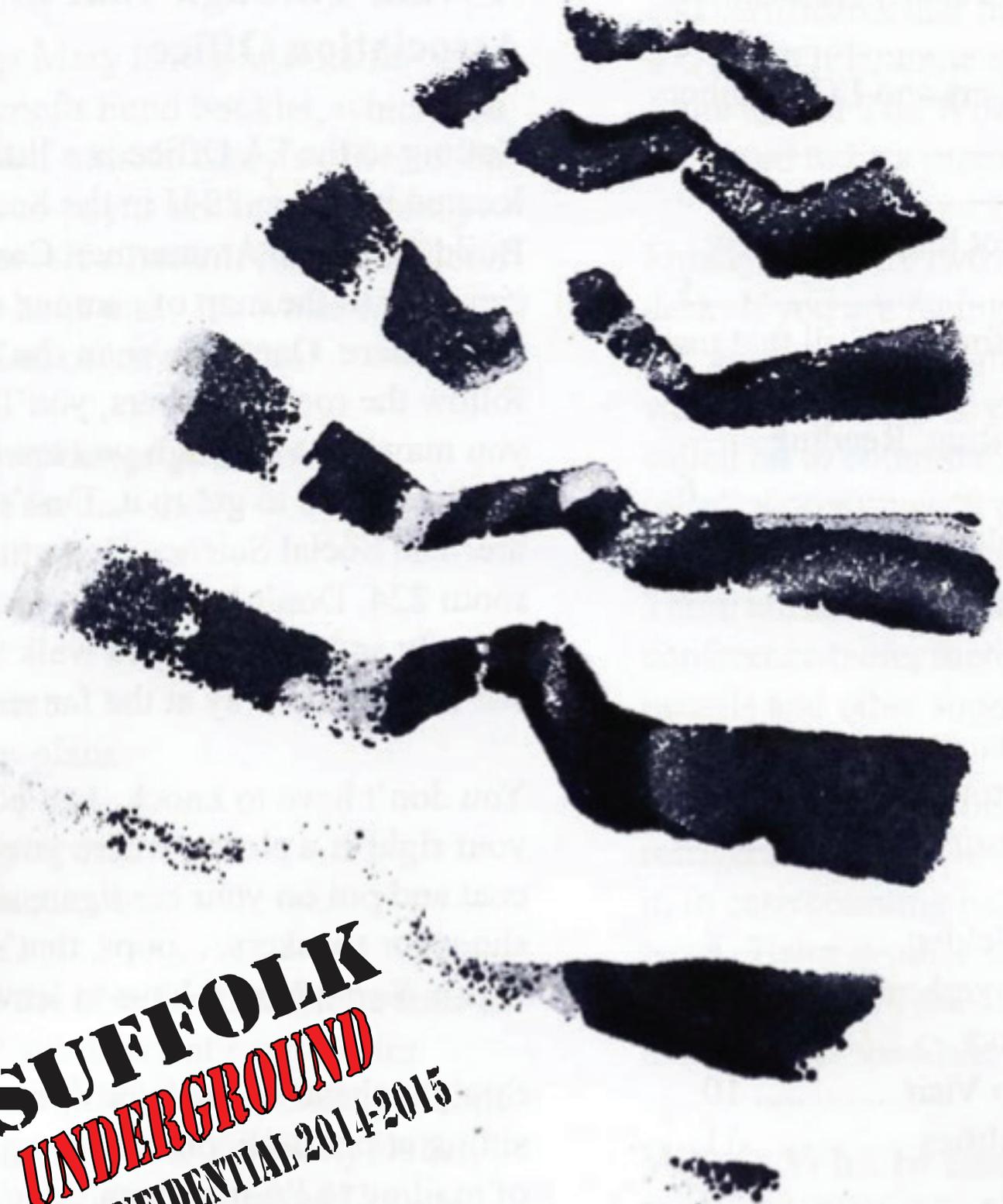


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I. PEOPLE

A Walk-Through Tour of the Faculty Association Office

Getting to the FA Office is a little bit tricky. It is located in Room 224J in the Southampton Building on the Ammerman Campus, and you can refer to the campus maps on the last pages to get there. Once you're in the building, if you follow the room numbers, you'll find it—but you may feel as though you are walking through another office to get to it. That's because you are. The Social Science Department Office is in room 224. Don't let this deter you—just be friendly and say hi as you walk through. You'll see the FA doorway at the far end of the room.

You don't have to knock. Just come right in. Straight ahead of you, you'll see Anita Greifenstein sitting at her desk, probably preparing some sort of mailing to FA members. Anita is the FA Office Administrator.

Once you've said hi to Anita, look to your left, and wave to Mary Kaffaga. Mary is our Benefit Fund Office Administrator, which sounds pretty official and intimidating. Basically, it means that she takes care of a lot important things for us—our dental, optical, maternity, legal services, financial counseling, and prescription co-pay reimbursement benefits. That last one is our personal favorite. In case no one has told you, you can be reimbursed for up to \$450.00 of your prescription co-pays each calendar year. Usually, you'll get a reminder about this in January, just when you realize you're broke from the holidays (or maybe that's just us).

(Mary is NOT responsible, however, for your major medical coverage, which is the Employee Medical Health Plan (EMHP). For more information about that, call 631-853-4866 or visit <http://www.emhp.org>.)

All the cool things Mary is responsible for are outlined in the Benefit Fund booklet, which you can find on the shelf outside Mary's office door. (The prescription co-pay is not the only gem.) Be sure to get yourself a Benefit Fund booklet if you don't already have one. It's white with green writing—kind of hard to miss! Or you click on "Health" on the Faculty Association website (www.fascc.org) to gain access to all the info and forms.

Here are some other things you can find information about on that shelf:

- The Bumping Process (How we gain a class or lose a class based on the seniority system)
- FA Constitution and Bylaws
- Class Size
- The Contract
- Retirement plans
- Tenure
- VOTE/COPE
- Theater discounts

By the way, you can also find a lot of this information on the FA website, at <http://www.fascc.org>. Not the theater discounts, though. You can find those other places on campus (and probably at your local library), or you can see similar discounts and specials at <http://www.playbill.com>.

Next to Mary's office is a storage room, and then comes the office of our esteemed president, Kevin Peterman. He's very approachable. Really. You can ask him anything, and he'll know the answer.

Working our way around the room, we then come to the Awards Wall. On your first visit to the FA Office, be sure to check out the plaques and certificates that line this wall. Some are for VOTE/COPE, some are for our website, and some are for The WORD, our newsletter. Be proud to be a member of the FA.

Finally, there are two doorways behind Anita's desk. If you are facing Anita, the door on the left goes into the conference room. This is where you will sit if you are lucky enough to be called on to count ballots for an FA election (don't worry—you'll get lunch!), or if you decide you want to run for office someday. There are usually cookies in the middle of the conference table; there are always pens and pencils and other supplies like that. The other door, the one on the right, leads to the refrigerator, which always has soda and water in it, in case counting ballots gets to be thirsty work. There is other stuff in that room as well, like letterhead, but nothing quite as important as the Coke.

Who's Who in the FA

After your tour of the FA office, you'll probably want to know who works there.

Officers and Program Coordinators

KEVIN PETERMAN

President

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Everyone calls Kevin first because he's in charge, and while he'll certainly help you and answer all your questions, you could save yourself some time by calling one of the other officers if you have a specific problem that falls under their list of specialties. Kevin is also our political guru. As state-wide VOTE/COPE coordinator for community colleges, Kevin is knowledgeable in all things political specializing in Suffolk politics.

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Talk to Marie about sabbaticals, Faculty Development and Retraining, EC elections, and stuff like that.

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Pete is our Grievance Officer. This means his life is often very difficult, which makes us all happy not to be him. Since he makes our lives better, though, we like having him around.

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Mary can answer any question you have about benefits—dental, legal, financial and all that good stuff. And she can usually answer it fast, sometimes even before you ask. Kind of like the pet psychic. You can reach Mary at 451-4323 or 732-6500.

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Sarah coordinates the FA's New member program across the three campuses. She's the one who sends you regular emails from The Undercurrent, the FA's blog for new members (and not-so-new members who want to be reminded about how the college works).

SEAN TVELIA

Executive Vice President

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Talk to Sean about promotions and academic matters. He assists Kevin in all manner of issues and he's been an FA officer for over a decade, so he's pretty familiar with college policies and contractual concerns. Sean is also our EC rep on EMHP (our health plan). He meets monthly with the other union county reps to discuss all things "medical".

JOYCE GABRIELE

Treasurer

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Joyce is in charge of the money and membership information. That's all I know. That's all I want to know. She does hand out these monthly statements, and they are on the FA website as attachments to the EC minutes, if you're interested.

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Adjunct Coordinator

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If you're a part-time faculty member at Suffolk, Cynthia is the person you need to talk to. She can tell you where to park your car, where to pick up your paycheck, where to turn in your grades, and everything in between.

ANITA GREIFENSTEIN

Office Administrator

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Anita takes care of everything administrative in the FA office. Always make sure that she and Mary have your correct address and phone number, or you will be bereft of important FA mailings and information, and that would be unfortunate.

LIZ FOLEY

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Liz helps all new faculty on the Grant campus by pairing them with mentors, organizing a bagel brunch on the campus during the fall semester, and offering advice and feedback when necessary.

Who's Who in the FA Continued . . .

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Dan (together with his then-officemate Adam Penna) cofounded the FA's Professors on Wheels program, an effort to bring the expertise of the FA's membership into greater contact with the wider Suffolk County community. If you'd like to be a part of its continued success, send Dan a quick email letting him know that you're interested.

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Like Liz and Glenda, Katherine helps all new faculty on the Eastern campus by pairing them with mentors, organizing a bagel brunch on the campus during the fall semester, and offering advice and feedback when necessary.

TIMOTHY MCHEFFEY

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Tim co-coordinates Professors on Wheels but also oversees the FA's other community outreach efforts, such as the annual Making Strides Breast Cancer Walk at Jones Beach and the bi-annual AHRC Plant Sales on all three campuses. If you're interested in serving in any of these ventures, email Tim. They're fantastic ways to benefit our community and spread awareness of the FA.

To reach anyone in the FA office, call 451-4151.

It's an easy number to remember.

The Executive Council

Members of the Executive Council are your representatives in the Faculty Association. You can call on the EC rep for your area or department to answer any and all questions about the union, and pretty much about Suffolk as well. You are always more than welcome to call any of the union officers, but you can call on your EC rep as sort of your own personal union connection. In other words, don't hesitate!

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Legend has it that Fire Island—the barrier beaches off the south shore of Long Island— got its name from the fires that Captain Kidd and his pirates lit to lure merchant ships to the island, so they'd get stuck in the sandbars and become easy targets for pirates.

Your Students

Here is some useful information about students at Suffolk. Remember, though, “useful” is relative, and interpretation is everything.

As of Spring 2011:

- Nearly 27,100 students attend Suffolk County Community College
- 56% of students are female, and 44% are male
- 98% are from Suffolk County
- 17% are new students, while 80% are continuing
- 117 students have served in the Armed Forces
- 108 students are senior citizens
- The average full-time student takes 14.05 credits, while the average part-time student takes 5.92 credits.
- Only 72% of our students are traditional college age (between 18 and 24), while 9% are between 36 and 50 years of age.

You can find out all sorts of neat things about Suffolk Community College and our students at the Office of Institutional Research website, which can be found at <http://instsrv.sunysuffolk.edu>. Check it out.

Help for Your Students

On every campus, there is at least one place you can send your students for extra help with reading, writing and math. Here is a list of those places, and their telephone numbers. Most of these centers have computers available for student use, and more important, the coordinators of these centers are more than willing to come to your classes, as well, and give your students an orientation to their center. As you know, students sometimes need an engraved invitation. And remember—these centers are not just for those students needing extra help. The Ammerman Writing Center, for example, has tutors who can help students on any level to brainstorm, develop and organize their writing.

SKILLS CENTERS (BY CAMPUS)

AMMERMAN CAMPUS

Writing Center

451-4150, Islip 101
<http://www.sunysuffolk.edu/Web/Selden/OWL/>

Reading Lab

451-4162, Islip 116

Math Learning Center

451-4002, Riverhead 235

GRANT CAMPUS

Center for Academic Excellence

851-6795, Sagtikos 100 <http://depthome.sunysuffolk.edu/Grant/ASC/>

EAST CAMPUS

Academic Skills Center

548-2607, Orient Building, second floor

VIRTUAL LEARNING COMMONS (ALL CAMPUSES)

Some of the VLC is still under development, but its resources are available to you through your MYSCC login. (Once you log on, look for the “Virtual Learning Commons” tab in the top center of the home page.) Resources are divided by subjects, including a tab for instructors with access to Learning Objects and Course Enrichment tools.

PROBLEM STUDENTS

According to the Faculty Handbook, which you can find at <http://www2.sunysuffolk.edu/facultyhandbook/>, there are two categories of classroom problems: for the first category, call security, and for the second, call the Dean of Students on your campus. It's always a good idea, as well, to speak to your academic chair first if you've had a problem in class with a student.

Call Campus Security for:

- Life threatening emergencies
- Acts or serious threats of violence
- Abuse of college property
- Theft of college property or services
- Trespassing

Campus Security phone numbers:

- Ammerman: 451-4242
- Grant Campus: 851-6777
- Eastern Campus: 548-2573

*From a campus phone, just dial the last four digits.

Call the Campus Dean of Student Services for:

- Extremely disruptive classroom behavior
- Interference with a faculty member's or a student's right to speak
- Academic dishonesty
- Other violations of the Code of Conduct, which can be found in the Student Handbook.

Campus Dean of Student Services phone numbers:

- Ammerman Campus Associate Dean of Student Services: Charles Bartolotta, 451-4790
- Grant Campus Associate Dean of Student Services: Meryl Rogers, 851-6296
- Eastern Campus Associate Dean of Student Services: Mary Reese, 548-2514

If you want to see the Lady of the Lake, visit Lake Ronkonkoma. Be careful, though. Legend has it that at least one male dies in the lake every year—a sacrifice, perhaps, to the Indian princess who drowned herself.

II. PLACES

COLLEGE TOWN GUIDES

All right, we don't really have college towns. One can dream. Still, there are plenty of great restaurants and bookstores and movie theaters in Suffolk County. Here are some near our campuses (that's three campuses and one college!) that your colleagues have recommended.

A word of wisdom—if you are not familiar with roads, just remember that Montauk Highway (27A), Sunrise Highway (27), the Southern State Parkway, the Long Island Expressway (495), the Northern State Parkway, Middle Country Road (Rte. 25), and North Country Road (25A) run east and west, and parallel to each other, in the order listed above. Moving from south to north: Rte. 347 or Nesconset Highway, which also runs east and west, parallel to the others, but it merges with 25A from Mt. Sinai to the east, Nicolls Road is a cross road—it runs north and south between 27A to 25A. Portion Road is known as Horseblock Road sometimes. I don't know why and I don't know where. It runs east/west as well, just north of the LIE, and south of campus.

Note- Northern State Parkway ends in Smithtown and the Southern State Parkway ends in East Islip.

A NOT-SO-QUICK GUIDE TO SELDEN

Starbucks

Middle Country Rd, Selden, 696-4762

This is the closest Starbucks to the Selden campus. It is also, as far as we know, the closest coffee house to the Selden campus, which makes it the closest thing to a college town we've got. And it's got lots of tables, a couch, and comfy chairs.

Dunkin Donuts

628 Horseblock Road, Farmingville, 732-7569

(If you're coming to school from the south, this is pretty convenient.)

Dunkin Donuts

2165 Middle Country Road, Centereach, 981-0570

(If you're coming to school from the west, this is pretty convenient.)

Green Cactus

1099 North Country Road(25A), Stony Brook, 751-0700
Great Mexican food—try the veggie burrito—and cheap. And an outdoor patio. And since it's just up Nichols Road and then a mile west on 25A, a quick ride from school.

Salsa Salsa

142 Main Street, Port Jefferson, 473-9700

More great Mexican food—this time, try the black bean burrito! —and still cheap. No outdoor patio, though, and a bit further from school.

Wild by Nature

198 Rte. 25A, East Setauket, 246-5500

Wild by Nature is a health food supermarket. Great produce—everything organic. Be sure to try their version of Boboli pizza crust. You'll never go back.

The Tara Inn

1519 Main Street, Port Jefferson 473-9602

Affectionately known as Tara's, serves a great and cheap burger, and has a great happy hour every night, 4-8, particularly Fridays.

Michael's Pizza

400 Horseblock Road, Farmingville 696-8053

Michael's comes highly recommended. We just can't remember by whom.

Pizza Carnival

4900 Nesconset Highway, Port Jeff 473-1618

Huge portions of great Italian food, no reservations, at least an hour wait on Friday and Saturday.

Smith Haven Mall

Routes 25 and 347, Lake Grove 724-1433

We'll leave out my feelings on capitalism, corporate America and the plight of the small business owner. Sometimes Banana Republic is a necessary evil. Life is complicated.

Campus Heros

810 Middle Country Road, Selden, 732-6767

Tofu Chinese and Japanese Restaurant

1260 Waverly Avenue (although it's right on Portion Road), Farmingville 698-6550

Red Lobster

2220 Nesconset Hwy, Stony Brook 689-9060

Frankly, it's a crime to eat at Red Lobster when Port Jeff and all of its seafood restaurants are practically around the corner. But still, judge not. . . In the shopping center with the Stony Brook Lowe's Theater.

A NOT-SO-QUICK GUIDE TO SELDEN CONTINUED

Coram Diner

383 Middle Country Rd., Coram, 451-0489

ProPortion Café

2460 Nesconset Hwy, Stony Brook, 751-8050

Great salads, custom made and really well tossed. Other healthy goodies, like frozen yogurt, too.

Thai Gourmet

4747 Nesconset Hwy, Port Jeff Sta, 474-0663.

Great Thai food, in a strip mall just west of 112.

Pasta Pasta

234 E. Main Street, Port Jefferson, 331-5335

Really good pasta in lots of interesting varieties and absolutely fabulous warm garlic bread to die for or perhaps go into some orgiastic foodie state of bliss.

Pentimento

93 Main Street, Stony Brook, 689-7755

Great food for lunch or dinner, with the added bonus of being in a charming and quite shop-able colonial village. Definitely check it out.

A QUICK GUIDE TO RIVERHEAD

Before you read any further, I have a special Eastern Campus item to include. The Eastern Campus has a Women's Poker Group. None of the other campuses have one of these, at least that I know of. For more info, ask... well... a woman at the Eastern Campus.

Cliff's Rendezvous

313 East Main Street, Riverhead, 727-6880

Haven't been there, but it comes highly recommended. And the name is cool.

The Eastport Luncheonette

497 Montauk Highway, Eastport, 325-8887

Absolutely, fantastic pancakes. (The other food is good, too.)

Cliff's Elbow Room

Main Road, Jamesport, 722-3292

Known for its marinated steaks, but a bit of a hike from campus

The Triangle Pub

Eastport Manor Road, Eastport 325-1849

Rumor has it this pub has great burgers.

Trumpets

58 South Bay Avenue, Eastport, 325-2900

For \$12, a great lunch, a glass of wine, and a view of the bay.

Curry Club

766 Rte 25A, Setauket, 751-4845

Indian food that's very well done, and there's an old railroad car to sit in while you eat. Who could ask for more?

The Kitchen Bistro

North Country Road, St. James, 862-0151

Maureen's Kitchen

Terry Road, Smithtown, 360-9227

Maureen's is amazing—Maureen herself is behind the counter—and will, in one meal, undo any of the progress you make toward good health in Wild By Nature. It's the best breakfast anywhere, but be prepared to wait. It's worth it. And there's cows. Be sure to look for Maureen's car parked outside. You can't miss it.

Parto's Restaurant

12 W. Main Street, Riverhead, 727-4828

Best pizza near campus.

Culinary Arts & Hospitality Center SCCC

20 East Main St., Riverhead, 548-3750

The college's very own restaurant! Located in downtown Riverhead, treat yourself to a panini or something on their hot food menu items which vary daily. The Bake Shop can soothe your sweet tooth cravings with scones, pastries or cookies.

The Riverhead Project

300 East Main Street, Riverhead, 284 9300

A critically-acclaimed restaurant that features "American food with ethnic influences." Great for after-work drinks, too -- try the Mark and Stormy.

Dark Horse Restaurant

1 East Main Street, Riverhead, 208-0072

This community-minded restaurant attempts to use local products whenever possible.

A QUICK GUIDE TO BRENTWOOD

Milk and Sugar Café

49 West Main St., Bayshore, 969-3655

This place is just way cool. Some nights there is live music, and some nights there is a psychic. And the food is always great. Try the coconut shrimp with sweet pineapple salsa.

Applebee's

105 Veterans Memorial Highway, Commack, 858-2500.

Well, what can you say? Wherever you're from, it will remind you of home.

Applebee's

300 Motor Parkway, Brentwood, 434-7890

Right off the LIE, and across from the Sheraton, so it's easy to get to. And the food's decent.

Meson Ole

7 Crooked Hill Road, Commack, 499-5700

The Bonwit Inn

1 Vanderbilt Motor Pkwy, Commack, 499-2068

Bertucci's

358 Motor Parkway, Hauppauge, 952-2100

Greek Village Restaurant

44 Veterans Memorial Hwy, Commack 499-6590

Really good Greek food, and right next to Target.

Smithtown was created when Richard "Bull" Smith was given all the land he could ride around in one day. He rode his bull, Whisper, from the east end of Smithtown, to Lake Ronkonkoma, west to Hauppauge, and then north to what is downtown Smithtown today. You can see Whisper at the intersection of Routes 25 and 25A at the west end of Smithtown.

AND A FEW OTHER COOL PLACES TO VISIT:

The Good Times Book Shop

7 Flowerfield Suite 11, St. James, 862-2626 – for "Rare, Scholarly and Out of Print Books"

Barnes & Noble

600 Smith Haven Mall, Lake Grove, 724.0341

Barnes & Noble

842 Sunrise Highway, Bay Shore, 206-0198

Barnes & Noble

4000 E. Jericho Tpke, E. Northport, 462-0208

Heckscher Museum of Art

2 Prime Avenue, Huntington 351-3250

This is a great little museum in a great location— Heckscher Park in Huntington. Check the website for new exhibits. And Huntington Village, just a block west, is fun to browse around with its good shops and restaurants. <http://www.heckscher.org/>

Mills Pond House

660 Route 25A, St. James, 862-6475

The Mills Pond House is home to the Smithtown Township Arts Council, where there are frequent art shows and performances. Check out the website if you're feeling cultural. <http://stacarts.org>

Staller Center for the Arts

Stony Brook University, 632-ARTS

The Staller Center is a great place to visit, whether for a film festival, shows for kids, musical performances or the art gallery. And it's right on campus at Stony Brook. Here's the website:

<http://www.staller.sunysb.edu/>

Smithtown Center for the Performing Arts

2 East Main Street, Smithtown 724-3700

This is a new theater in the old Smithtown movie theater. Haven't been there yet, but they have an interesting schedule of musicals.

MOVIES:

All you really need to know is this: <http://www.moviefone.com> or this: <http://www.fandango.com>. They have theaters and maps and movie times and reviews and everything. Nearby theaters include, but are not limited to:

Sayville Theater

103 Railroad Avenue, Sayville (and Sayville is fun to roam around!)

Movieland Cinemas

1850 Route 112, Coram

Loews Cineplex

2196 Nesconset Highway, Stony Brook

Regal Cinemas

565 Portion Road, Ronkonkoma

Islip Triplex

410 West Main Street, Islip

PJ Cinemas

1068 Route 112, Port Jefferson (some interesting film choices here!)

Elwood Cinema

1950 East Jericho Turnpike, East Northport

Loews Cineplex Hampton Arts Twin

2 Brook Road, Westhampton Beach

Mattituck Cinema

Route 25, Mattituck Plaza, Mattituck

Don't forget art cinemas or theaters that show something besides the typical:

Cinema Arts Centre

423 Park Avenue, Huntington 423-FILM

Sag Harbor Theatre

90 Main Street, Sag Harbor, 725-0010

Happy Hour and the Movies

Island 16 Cinema,

185 Morris Avenue, Holtsville, 758-9500

Don't let the address throw you. You can get there from the south service road of the LIE, or from Nicolls Road. Just follow the signs. They have a bar. Yes, a bar.

CAMPUS RECREATION POSSIBILITIES

Ammerman Campus

At Ammerman, if you take a walk over to the Brookhaven Gym, you can use the weight room, or take part in intramurals. For a schedule for either one, visit the main office in the gym, or call 451-4380.

You can also sign up for "Center for Personal Training and Wellness" at Ammerman as a client of one of the last semester students in the fitness specialist program in the Spring semester. Announcement for the program comes out in December via the scclist. Faculty can be reimbursed for the tuition under the tuition reimbursement provision of the FA contract for the 10 week program (approximately \$90.00 depending on the type of program they sign up for).

Grant Campus

The Grant Campus has a big beautiful new pool. They also have a health club. You can use these facilities during specific times for free or you can pay. For more information, call 851-6334.

Eastern Campus

A Health and Wellness Center is coming! Not sure when . . . but it's coming!

GIMME SHELTER

We don't have a lot of good advice for finding a place to live on Long Island. But you just got here, so maybe you do. If you've got a good tip, let us know, and we'll be sure it goes in the next Underground. Just e-mail info@fascc.org. Thanks! Below is what we do know:

A good website for real estate is the Multiple Listing Service of Long Island. [http:// www.mlsli.com](http://www.mlsli.com) It basically lets users search homes on the market in Suffolk, Nassau, and Queens using specific criteria. Just go to the Help link, the website also provides links to finding a real estate agent, tips for buying and selling a home, neighborhood info, and even how to become a real estate agent

Another link that may be useful for those looking for housing is <http://och.vpsa.sunysb.edu/och.htm>. This is Stony Brook University's off-campus housing site. The site lists apartment house complexes (Avalon, Brookwood, Jefferson and Fairfield) as well as home sales, home rentals, and standard apartment rentals.

Additionally, the following organizations provide services that may be helpful to you:

Community Development Cooperation of Long Island (<http://www.cdcli.org>):

A HUD certified housing agency, CDC of Long Island provides mortgage counseling, rental housing assistance, and home improvement programs.

Long Island Housing Partnership (<http://lihp.org/index.html>):

Also a HUD certified housing agency, the LIHP provides down payment assistance and first time homebuyer counseling.

Long Island had its own witch hunts in East Hampton in 1657 and in Setauket in 1664. No one was convicted, but the East Hampton trial has the dubious distinction of being the only witchcraft trial in New York State.

III. THINGS

CAMPUS MAIL

You now have your own campus mailbox, hopefully located somewhere fairly close to your office. As if you needed more mail, right? Anyway, you can check with your department secretary, and he or she can tell you where it is, and where to put things like outgoing campus mail, or outgoing snail mail.

ACTIVATING YOUR E-MAIL

Activating your e-mail is easy. Ask your department secretary for the appropriate form. Fill it out, get your academic chair to sign it, turn it in and in a few days, you'll be hooked up. You will be assigned a password, and you'll use this to access your e-mail, and your office computer. Your e-mail address will be the first six letters of your last name and the first letter of your first name followed by @sunysuffolk.edu.

INFORMATIONAL EMAILS

As new faculty members, you will likely have many questions about the college and Faculty Association. We try to answer many of them in The Underground but also supplement this with an informational blog. During your first year at Suffolk, you'll be part of a listserv that forwards weekly informative blog posts addressing questions commonly asked by new faculty. The blog can be accessed under the "Programs" tab on the union's web site (fascc.org).

USING YOUR OFFICE TELEPHONE

You can talk to a department secretary about how to set up your voice mail and how to work the phone in your office. You can also call Debbie Taglienti from Telecommunications Technology at 451-4775, if you need additional assistance. Voice mail (Audix) instructions are also available online. Just go to: <http://www.sunysuffolk.edu/help>, and click on Audix.

COMPUTERS

You are entitled to a computer in your office. There is usually only one computer per office, so you probably have to share. Before you do anything, you'll need a password, which brings us back to activating your email. Once you have the password and you can sign in and access your computer, don't forget to log out when you're done. Otherwise, a screensaver comes on, and your password is necessary to unlock it. Don't do this to your officemates. It's very frustrating. Suffolk has a Computer Use Policy. Read it. Live by it. Just go to the Help link above, and click on Policies to find it.

PAYCHECKS

Paychecks, bless them, come every two weeks, on Thursday. If you have direct deposit, and you tend to cut things a little close, rest assured that your check will be in your account, as cash, every other Thursday morning at 8 am. Not that I check that early, or worry, or anything like that.

If you are teaching overload, it takes so long for the money to turn up in your paycheck that you'll be pleasantly surprised when it does. (Usually, we're about a month into the new semester before we begin seeing pay for overload assignments.)

If you have questions about your paycheck, you can contact the Payroll Office in the Norman F. Lehtrecker (NFL, not NHL, for those of us for whom sports references are confusing, and who like hockey better anyway) Building on the Ammerman Campus, at 451-4204.

As Suffolk faculty, you should know that you are entitled to join the Suffolk Federal Credit Union (<http://www.suffolkfcu.org>) or Teachers Federal Credit Union (<http://www.teachersfcu.org>) There are a number of branches, so I won't list them here, but visit their websites for more info: They have all the cool stuff too, like online bill paying and all that.

ORDERING TEXTBOOKS

Check with your academic chair when choosing your textbooks. Then notify the bookstore of your chosen texts at the earliest date possible before the semester begins. You can now order your books online by visiting your campus bookstore website:

- Ammerman: <http://suffolkcc.bkstore.com/bkstore/content>
- Eastern: <http://suffolkccr.bkstore.com/bkstore/content>
- Grant: <http://suffolkccb.bkstore.com/bkstore/content>

Once you're on your campus bookstore's website, go to Faculty Services at the top of the page, then click Adoptions. Submit your name, review your instructor information, and then enter your course information. You will need the author/editor, title, publisher, edition or copyright date, and ISBN for your texts.

WEB-ENHANCING YOUR TRADITIONAL CLASSROOM

Depending on where you've taught before, you may be used to incorporating online resources into your traditional classroom through a course management system like Blackboard. At SCCC, we use Desire2Learn (D2L) but will be switching to Blackboard. You may request to have all or some of your classes web-enhanced through this CMS by contacting your academic chair. (Online courses are also conducted through D2L, although the process for becoming certified to teach online at SCCC is a little more involved. Ask your academic chair if you're interested in becoming certified.)

GETTING ON THE SCC LIST

The SCC list is a listserv that all faculty can subscribe to. It's a place where you can discuss anything to do with Suffolk, from its internal politics to pedagogical issues. To subscribe to the SCC list, go to <http://www.sunysuffolk.edu/Web/Central/Library/scclist.htm> and follow the directions there. Be sure to join this list. Though it will occasionally bombard your mailbox with messages, it is for the most part more than worth it.

FINDING OUT IF THE COLLEGE HAS CANCELLED CLASSES

The College rarely cancels classes due to inclement weather, but you can find out if classes are cancelled via the SCCC website and local radio stations. Also, because class cancellations may involve only morning classes, or evening classes, it's important to note the time and campus mentioned in any cancellation announcement.

WHO YA GONNA CALL? (OR VISIT?)

The Faculty Association website is: <http://www.fascc.org>. It's award winning (see page 3). And the salary schedule lives there.

Suffolk's website is: <http://www.sunysuffolk.edu> In one click from this site, you can find just about anything you need: maps of each campus, directions, the Faculty Handbook, and so on. Take some time and browse around. The site map is the quickest way to find what you need.