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## Introduction

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20TH ANNIVERSARY  
**FORCES**

**FORCES** marks its 20th year of publication with this issue. As always, it includes an array of tastes and sights and sounds and memories from Collin College students. Works range from the memoirs of several of our senior SAIL members to two featured poets: Mike Raffaele, whose work shadows a young Walt Whitman/Allen Ginsberg, and Susan Blick, whose work has a personal yet disciplined quality.

Finally, we are blessed to be supported and backed by a board and president whose vision continues to let Collin County residents have their dreams precede realities while providing a reflective yearly touchstone that actively archives our time and our community. Also, one final trip can be taken through Molly Boyce's 1980 © poem; it is a veritable journey through world events from the college's beginning to present.

"We didn't start the fire." — *Billy Joel*

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