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STATE HOUSE BUDGET HEARING

CHANCELLOR CLAIRE VAN UMMERSEN TO TESTIFY IN SUPPORT OF UMASS-BOSTON'S PROPOSED FY79 BUDGET BEFORE HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE ON BEACON HILL, MARCH 21. HER TESTIMONY WILL BE SUPPORTED BY SENIOR VICE CHANCELLOR ROBERT J. STEAMER, VICE CHANCELLORS THOMAS BAXTER AND LEVESTER TUBBS.

BOSTON CAMPUS SEEKING LEGISLATURE'S APPROVAL OF FY79 REQUEST FOR \$21,550,000, BUT GOV. MICHAEL DUKAKIS HAS RECOMMENDED FIGURE BE HELD TO \$20,451,420 FOR NEW FISCAL YEAR. BOSTON CAMPUS' FY78 BUDGET WAS \$19,531,000.

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RE ABOVE, THE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION REPORTS GOVERNOR'S TOTAL UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS ALLOCATION FOR FY 79 "FALLS ALMOST \$5-MILLION SHORT OF THE BOARDS ESTIMATE OF CONTINUING OPERATIONS REQUIRED."

GYM GROUNDBREAKING

GROUNDBREAKING SCHEDULED THIS SPRING FOR \$8.9-MILLION PHYSICAL EDUCATION FACILITY TO BE CONSTRUCTED ON HARBOR CAMPUS. IF ALL CONSTRUCTION STAGES MEET DEADLINES, FACILITY SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY OCTOBER 1979.

COMPLEX WILL INCLUDE GYMNASIUM, EXERCISE ROOMS, SWIMMING POOL, SKATING RINK. LATER EIGHT OUTDOOR TENNIS COURTS WILL BE ADDED. TRUSTEES VOTED EARLIER TO NAME FACILITY FOR LATE MRS. CATHERINE "KIT" CLARK, TRUSTEE AND DORCHESTER COMMUNITY LEADER.

DEAN STRANGE PLANS SABBATICAL

DR. JOHN STRANGE, FOUNDING DEAN OF CPCS WHO ANNOUNCED HIS RESIGNATION LATE IN FEBRUARY, PLANS TO TAKE A SABBATICAL AFTER WINDING UP RESPONSIBILITIES AT UMB ON AUGUST 31. HE'LL USE THE TIME TO "REALLY LOOK AT EXPERIMENTAL EDUCATION." EVENTUALLY THOUGH HE WILL RETURN TO TEACHING.

WITH BOTH AN MA AND PH.D FROM PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, DEAN STRANGE HAS OUTSTANDING REPUTATION AS A CREATIVE INNOVATIVE EDUCATOR AND ADMINISTRATOR IN FIELDS OF NEW OR EXPANDED CAREERS IN PUBLIC EDUCATION, AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEMS.

ARTS FESTIVAL

SPRIING! IT'S COMING TO HARBOR CAMPUS MAY 6-7 IN GUISE OF COLORFUL, IMAGINATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL UNDER AEGIS OF A&S DEAN MICHAEL RICCARDS. JOAN HOBSON, ONE OF KEY FIGURES IN PUTTING TOGETHER BOSTON'S "FIRST NIGHT" EVENTS PAST TWO NEW YEAR'S EVES, IS IN CHARGE OF PRODUCING AN ARTS FESTIVAL WHICH WILL DRAW TALENTED ARTISTS FROM ALL AREAS OF CREATIVE ENDEAVORS -- FROM BOTH CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY. ATTENDANCE GOAL: SOME 10,000.

CAMPUS EMPLOYEE DIES

THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY IS SADDENED BY DEATH OF CHARLES J. BALDWIN, 69, PLUMBER IN THE PHYSICAL PLANT DEPT. FOR FIVE YEARS. MR. BALDWIN SUFFERED FATAL HEART ATTACK MARCH 7. LEAVES HIS WIDOW, MRS. CATHERINE BALDWIN, AND THREE DAUGHTERS, INCLUDING MRS. ROBERTA YOUNG, NOW IN TEACHERS CERTIFICATION PROGRAM.

THE SPECTATOR

HEREWITH IS THE SPECTATOR, A NEW BI-WEEKLY NEWSLETTER PUBLISHED BY THE CAMPUS RELATIONS DEPARTMENT FOR DISTRIBUTION THROUGHOUT THE HARBOR AND PARK SQUARE CAMPUSES. IT'S INTENDED TO SERVE AS ANOTHER VEHICLE TO HELP US ATTAIN A GREATER SENSE OF COMMUNITY HERE AT UMASS-BOSTON. TO OBTAIN THIS OBJECTIVE, THE SPECTATOR WILL SEEK TO BRING TIMELY, INTERESTING AND/OR INFORMATIVE ITEMS ABOUT INDIVIDUAL, PROGRAM OR DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES, INTERESTS OR CONCERNS--WITHIN THE LIMITATIONS OF AVAILABLE SPACE. THE SPECTATOR, OBVIOUSLY, WILL ONLY BE OF VALUE TO THE DEGREE ALL OF US USE IT FOR THE DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION.

NEW ENGINEERING PROGRAM

BOSTON CAMPUS WILL OFFER NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAM WITHIN COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES LEADING TO BS IN ENGINEERING, BEGINNING SEPT-EMBER. DEAN RICHARD FREELAND SAYS PROGRAM WILL BE UNDERTAKEN IN COOPERATION WITH UMASS-AMHERST'S SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING.

STUDENTS WHO SUCESSFULLY COMPLETE PROGRAM, INVOLVING SOME TWO YEARS OF STUDY ON BOSTON CAMPUS AT CPS AND A&S, WITH TIME VARIANCES FOR INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS' PLANS--WILL BE GUARANTEED ADMISSION INTO ENGINEERING SCHOOL AT AMHERST. OR, IF THEY CHOOSE, THEY COULD OPT TO TRANSFER TO ANOTHER FIELD OF STUDY AT UMASS-BOSTON OR TO OTHER ENGINEERING SCHOOLS IN GREATER BOSTON AREA.

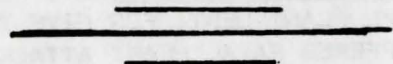
PROGRAM IS INTENDED TO INCREASE ACCESSIBILITY OF ENGINEERING DEGREE FROM UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS TO PEOPLE FROM WIDE VARIETY OF BACKGROUNDS, PARTICULARLY THOSE UNABLE TO FINANCE A FULL FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM AT AMHERST CAMPUS. APPLICATIONS CLOSE MAY 15.

MINI-COURSES UNDERWAY

REPRESENTATIVES OF SOME 40 DORCHESTER, COLUMBIA POINT AND GREATER BOSTON COMMUNITY AGENCIES ATTENDED H. TODD EACHUS' WORKSHOP ON "GRANTMANSHIP FOR COMMUNITY AGENCIES" MARCH 7. IT WAS OPENING SESSION OF 1978 MINI-COURSE PROGRAM OFFERED BY UMASS-BOSTON'S DEPT. OF COMMUNITY SERVICES. EACHUS IS DIRECTOR OF GRANT & CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE ON BOSTON CAMPUS. MORE THAN 250 COMMUNITY RESIDENTS ENROLLED IN EIGHT MINI-COURSES OFFERED IN THIS YEAR'S FREE PROGRAM.

PREMIER DANCER IS VISITING PROF

FORMER PREMIER DANCER OF NEW YORK CITY BALLET FOR MANY YEARS IS COMMUTING FROM GOTHAM TO BOSTON THIS SEMESTER AS VISITING PROFESSOR OF THEATRE ARTS AND ARTIST IN RESIDENCE AT BOSTON CAMPUS. EDWARD VILLELLA IS KEPT 'PAS DEUXING' TWO DAYS WEEKLY WHILE TEACHING SOME 90 STUDENTS MASTERY OF COURSE ENTITLED "DANCE FOR THE THEATER." HE AND HIS WORK HERE TO BE PROFILED IN UPCOMING BOSTON GLOBE STORY BY FEATURE WRITER MARGO MILLER.



ROCKEFELLER GRANT TO PROF. BARRON

PROF. ROS BARRON OF ART DEPT. HAS BEEN AWARDED ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION GRANT TO CARRY OUT NEW PRE-PRODUCTION, PRODUCTION, AND POST-PRODUCTION CREATIVE WORK IN VIDEO-TAPE. ONE OF FIRST RECIPIENTS OF ROCKEFELLER ARTIST-IN-TELEVISION GRANT IN 1968, SHE THEN PRODUCED INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED VIDEO-TAPE "HEADGAME" AT BOSTON'S WGBH-TV.

AS GUEST PRODUCER AT WGBH-TV'S NEW TELEVISION WORKSHOP FROM 1973-76, PROF. BARRON CREATED "VIDA RICHTER," "MARIE-MARIE," "LEA GRAMMONT," AND "EVA DAVIS," A GROUP OF TAPES WHICH COMPRISED THE SERIES, "PORTRAITS OF WOMEN." LAST YEAR SHE COMPLETED "MAGRITTE SUR LA PLAGE" AT WGBH-TV.

IN THE PUBLISHING WORLD

PROF. GORDON ZAHN'S MANUSCRIPT, ANOTHER PART OF THE WAR: THE CAMP SIMON STORY, WILL BE PUBLISHED BY UMASS PRESS IN 1979. NEW AND COMPLETE PAPERBACK EDITION OF HIS BOOK, IN SOLITARY WITNESS, DUE FOR SHELVES IN MARCH. . . . ALSO IN SOCIOLOGY DEPT., PROF. JAMES BLACKWELL HAS AUTHORED THESE RECENT PUBLICATIONS: THE PARTICIPATION OF BLACKS IN GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS, ATLANTA, THE SOUTHERN EDUCATION FOUNDATION; LEGAL AND SOCIAL DIMENSIONS OF INTERRACIAL LIAISONS, IN (EDITORS) DORIS Y. WILKINSON AND RONALD TALOR'S THE BLACK MALE IN AMERICA, CHICAGO, NELSON-HALL; AND HE IS SENIOR AUTHOR OF THE STATUS OF RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITIES IN SOCIOLOGY, WASHINGTON, DC, THE AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSN. . . PROF. NANCY HOFFMAN OF CPCS' GENERAL CENTER RECENTLY HAD HER BOOK, SPENSER'S PASTOREALS: THE SHEPHEARDES CALENDAR AND 'COLIN CLOUT' PUBLISHED BY THE JOHNS HOPKINS PRESS. . . CONSUMER'S GUIDE TO MENTAL HEALTH, BY PROF. BRIAN L. MISHARA OF PSYCHOLOGY DEPT. AND PROF. ROBERT D. PATTERSON OF HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL, IS NEW OFFERING OF TIMES BOOKS AND IN CANADA BY FITZHENRY & WHITESIDE LTD.

TRUSTEES SET FOR BOSTON MEETING

FOR SECOND CONSECUTIVE MONTH UNIVERSITY-WIDE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HAS SET ITS MONTHLY MEETING FOR HARBOR CAMPUS. BOT MEMBERS, WHOSE SEARCH COMMITTEE HAS NARROWED ITS CANDIDATES FOR THE PRESIDENCY TO EIGHT, GATHER HERE APRIL 5.

MILEAGE BOOST

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE ANNOUNCED REIMBURSEMENT RATE HIKE FOR PRIVATE AUTO MILEAGE ON UNIVERSITY BUSINESS FROM 12 TO 14-CENTS PER MILE, AS OF FEB.1, 1978.

PREXY IN MATH DEPT.

MRS. KATHY GORMAN, MATH DEPT. EMPLOYEE FOR 12 YEARS, ALSO DOUBLES AS PRESIDENT OF MASS. FAIR SHARE WHICH HAS SOME 10,000 MEMBERS IN 26 CHAPTERS ACROSS BAY STATE. A MULTI-ISSUE CITIZENS ACTION ORGANIZATION, FAIR SHARE FOCUSES ON STATEWIDE AND NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES, E.G., ABANDONED BUILDINGS TO STREET SIGNS, TELEPHONE BUSINESS PRACTICES TO DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS.

NEW TRIO FOR CAMPUS POLICE

TRIO OF OFFICERS, SLATED FOR DUTY WITH CAMPUS POLICE DEPT., CURRENTLY COMPLETING INTENSIVE THREE-MONTH BASIC RECRUIT TRAINING PROGRAM AT BROOKLINE POLICE ACADEMY. OFFICERS HENRY GRAVELLE, RUSS KONDRATIUK AND LARRY TINSLEY PARTICIPATING IN PROGRAM UNDER AUSPICES OF MASSACHUSETTS CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COUNCIL. KONDRATIUK AND TINSLEY, AS MEMBERS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE GUARD, PERFORMED COMENDABLY IN HELPING VICTIMS OF THE RECENT "STORM OF THE CENTURY."

PROFS HIT FOR POOR WRITING

RECENTLY, NEW YORK TIMES COLUMNIST WILLIAM ZINSSER BLAMED ACADEMIA IN PART FOR POOR WRITING SKILLS OF CONTEMPORARY JOURNALISTS. WHILE STRESSING THAT SIMPLICITY IS THE VIRTUE OF WRITING, ZINSSER SAID, "SIMPLICITY IS NOT SOMETHING TO BE ASHAMED OF. YET CLUTTER IS THE DISEASE OF AMERICAN PROSE TODAY."

IN EDITOR & PUBLISHER ARTICLE, HE ADDS, "THERE IS A FEARSOME BERMUDA TRIANGLE WHERE EDUCATION, SOCIOLOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY INTERSECT . . . THIS HAS GIVEN US 'SENIOR CITIZEN' -- A PUDGY NEW INTRUDER FROM THE LAND OF SOCIOLOGY. A FEAR THAT HOBBLER THE ACADEMIC FIELD IS SIMPLICITY IN PRESENTATION." HENCE, HE SAID, VERBIAGE ABOUND.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: WE WILL BE HAPPY TO PRINT PRO OR CON COMMENTS RE ABOVE.)

URBAN RESEARCH CENTER PLANS

COMMITTEE SET UP BY SENIOR VICE CHANCELLOR AND PROVOST ROBERT J. STEAMER TO INVESTIGATE FEASIBILITY OF AN URBAN RESEARCH CENTER AT UMASS-BOSTON NOW IS SEEKING AMOUNT OF UNIVERSITY INTEREST IN THIS PROJECT. JOSEPH S. SLAVET, DIRECTOR, BOSTON URBAN OBSERVATORY, SAYS COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE ASKING FACULTY, ADMINISTRATORS, STUDENTS TO INDICATE WILLINGNESS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS ENDEAVOR AND TO IDENTIFY THEIR SPECIFIC FIELDS OF URBAN CONCERN.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS (BELOW) ARE PREPARED TO HANDLE ANY QUERIES ABOUT PROGRAM:

JOE SLAVET, DOWNTOWN CENTER, EXT. 311
PROF. ED BEARD, POLITICS DEPT., EXT. 2845.

FLOYD FOWLER, SURVEY RESEARCH CENTER, DOWNTOWN, EXT. 341.

PROF. MICHAEL STONE, CPCS, EXT. 325.

PROF. ROBERT WEGNER, CPS, EXT. 3253.

COMMITTEE EXPLORING NUMBER OF UNUSUAL IDEAS DURING COMING MONTHS, SLAVET SAYS. ADDITIONALLY, IT WILL BE DEVELOPING BASIC AGENDA OF POLICY-RELATED INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH, SEMINARS, AND CONFERENCES INVOLVING FACULTY, GUEST SCHOLARS, STUDENT RESEARCHERS, AND PUBLICATION/DISSEMINATION OF URBAN RESEARCH PAPERS.

ANTHROPOLOGIST ELECTED

PROF. DAVID LANDY OF ANTHROPOLOGY DEPT. ELECTED TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SOCIETY FOR MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY, AFFILIATE OF AMERICAN ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION. ADDITIONALLY, HE WAS APPOINTED TO DIRECT SOCIETY-SPONSORED ANNUAL STUDENT PRIZE PAPER COMPETITION.

NEH FELLOWSHIP TO ENGLISH PROF

ENGLISH DEPT., PROF. FRANCIS R. HART IS RECIPIENT OF SENIOR FELLOWSHIP AWARD FROM NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES (NEH) FOR 1978-79. ARTS AND SCIENCES DEAN MICHAEL P. RICCARDS INFORMED PROF. HART: "YOU HAVE ONCE AGAIN HONORED BOTH THIS FACULTY AND THIS INSTITUTION BY YOUR EFFORTS, AND I AM SURE ALL OUR COLLEAGUES JOIN ME IN WISHING YOU THE VERY BEST OF LUCK."

GRAD STUDENT DENVER-BOUND

DICK VISCARELLO, GRADUATE STUDENT IN BIOLOGY DEPT., INVITED TO PRESENT PAPER AT ANNUAL MEETING IN JUNE OF TISSUE CULTURE ASSN. IN DENVER. VISCARELLO'S PAPER FOCUSES ON REGULATION OF PROLACTIN SECRETION BY PITUITARY TUMOR CELLS AND STEMS FROM HIS BIOLOGY COURSE ON "TISSUE AND ORGAN CULTURE."

PEACE & JUSTICE APPOINTMENT

PROF. GORDON ZAHN OF SOCIOLOGY DEPT. APPOINTED TO NEWLY ESTABLISHED ARCHDIOCESAN COMMISSION ON PEACE AND JUSTICE, HEADQUARTERED IN BOSTON. ARTS AND SCIENCES COLLEGE FACULTY MEMBER IS CONSIDERED ONE OF NATION'S LEADING CATHOLIC PHILOSOPHERS.

LUNCHEON PRICE HIKE

PRICE OF FACULTY CLUB LUNCHEON BUFFET BOOSTED FROM \$2. TO \$2.50 EARLIER THIS MONTH. PROF. WALTER E. WEIBRECHT, PRESIDENT OF CLUB'S BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND ITS ACTING TREASURER, SAYS HIKE WAS NECESSARY BECAUSE OF A CONTINUING DEFICIT AND "THE EFFECTS OF INFLATION IN OUR DAILY LIVES." HE'S CONVINCED, HOWEVER, THAT YOUR \$2.50 WILL STILL GET YOU BEST LUNCHEON BUY HEREABOUTS.

JOANNE SMALL RECUPERATING

JOANNE SMALL, CPS DIRECTOR OF FIELD RELATIONS, RECUPERATING AT HER LEXINGTON HOME FROM BROKEN HIP SUFFERED IN FALL ON ICY DRIVEWAY. JOANNE SAYS SHE IS "MAKING A LITTLE MORE PROGRESS EVERY DAY" ON ROAD BACK TO FULL HEALTH. IF YOU'D LIKE TO FORWARD A NOTE OR CARD, HER HOME ADDRESS IS: 33 WACHUSETTS DR., LEXINGTON, MA 02173.

ANTHROPOLOGY LECTURES

APRIL 10, 3 P.M. PROF. FREDERICK GAMST, ANTHROPOLOGY DEPT., "THE CHILDREN AND HOUSE OF ISRAEL IN ABYSSINIA." 020 1/518

APRIL 27, 3:30 P.M. PROF. JEAN JACKSON OF MIT, "ALL'S FAIR IN LOVE AND WAR: SEXUAL OPPOSITION IN NORTHWEST AMAZON." 020 1/518

ON OPEN ADMISSIONS

"I HAVE, FINALLY, ONLY ONE THING TO SAY TO MY PROFESSIONAL COLLEAGUES . . . I WOULD RAISE WITH THEM ONE QUESTION, NOT, 'WHAT'S IN OPEN ADMISSIONS AND BASIC STUDIES FOR OUR STUDENTS?' -- BUT, 'WHAT'S IN IT FOR OURSELVES?' MY ANSWER -- IN A WORD -- IS, LOTS. AND I DON'T MEAN JUST JOBS, ALTHOUGH THERE ARE PLENTY OF JOBS FOR THOSE WHO KNOW HOW TO TEACH BASIC STUDIES WELL.

"WHAT I DO MEAN IS THIS: LEARNING HOW TO TEACH WHAT WE KNOW TO ADULT STUDENTS, WHO KNOW SO LITTLE OF WHAT WE KNOW, CAN OFFER A PROFESSIONAL, SCHOLARLY OPPORTUNITY OF ALMOST UNLIMITED PROPORTIONS. ENGAGING OURSELVES TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS THAT THESE STUDENTS PRESENT, CHALLENGES OUR MOST DEEPLY HELD ASSUMPTIONS ABOUT WHAT WE KNOW. IT CAN, THEREFORE, LEAD US TO A MORE PROFOUND UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT WE AS COLLEGE TEACHERS RIGHTLY VALUE MOST: THE SUBJECTS AND DISCIPLINES THAT WE STUDY AND TO WHICH WE COMMIT OUR ACADEMIC LIVES, AND OUR ABILITY EFFECTIVELY TO PASS THAT KNOWLEDGE ON."

(EDITOR'S NOTE: ABOVE IS EXCERPT FROM ESSAY ENTITLED "A NEW INTELLECTUAL FRONTIER" BY PROF. KENNETH A. BRUFFE OF BROOKLYN COLLEGE. HIS ARTICLE WAS PUBLISHED IN THE CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION, FEB 27, 1978.)

SURVIVAL GAME PLAN

FOR A TONGUE-IN-CHEEK "GAME PLAN FOR SURVIVAL IN THE ACADEMIC MARKET PLACE," GET IN TOUCH WITH ASSOCIATE PROVOST JOHN SCHULTZ. HE DECIDED TO CREATE PLAN BECAUSE HE NEVER "CAME ACROSS A GOOD LIST OF PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS FOR SURVIVAL IN THE HIGHER ACADEMIC MARKETPLACE DURING 20 YEARS OF CASUAL OBSERVATION."

THE SPECTATOR IS A UNIVERSITY-WIDE NEWS-LETTER DESIGNED TO KEEP YOU INFORMED ABOUT INTERESTING AND RELEVANT ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS ON CAMPUS AND TO ENGENDER A SENSE OF COMMUNITY AMONG US. DEADLINE FOR COPY IS THE FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS OF EACH MONTH. EDITORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS ARE WELCOME AND WILL BE GIVEN EVERY CONSIDERATION FOR PUBLICATION. SUCH CONTRIBUTIONS, QUERIES AND LETTERS SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO: JIM RYAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INFORMATION, CAMPUS RELATIONS DEPARTMENT, B-110. EXT. 2147