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Newsletter of the Office of Public Information

Briefly..

Dr. James E. Blackwell, nationallynoted sociologist currently on sabbatical, won two pages of attention in *The National Ledger*, a weekly paper published in Philadelphia.

Dr. Blackwell recently completed a two-year study published by the Southern Education Foundation on the quality of higher education for the nation's black students in graduate and professional schools.

Dr. Blackwell's study showed that blacks studying in graduate and professional schools to become doctors, lawyers, dentists and educators seldom receive strong network support from their school days for helping to establish careers.

His findings also indicated that mentoring among white students may be as much of a myth as it is for blacks.

Mayor Raymond Flynn of Boston reviewed a 700-page report on the City's worrisome fiscal condition last week. The study was practically a duplicate of a much shorter one produced by the UMass/Boston duo of Dr. Raymond Torto and Dr. Joseph Slavet last fall and issued by the McCormack Institute.

It took a 60-member team six weeks to produce Mayor Flynn's report.

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Gill and Macmillan Publishers of Dublin, Ireland have announced that they will publish a separate edition of *Great Hatred, Little Room: The Irish Historical Novel* by Dr. James Cahalan, lecturer in English and Director of the Irish Studies Program at UMass/Boston.

The American edition of Dr. Cahalan's book was published by the Syracuse University Press in September. <section-header>

It's pretty — if you don't have to wade through it. Photographer M. Leo Tierney caught these snow scenes on the Harbor Campus. The maintenance crew, under the supervision of Vice Chancellor C. Thomas Baxter, does a highlycommendable job on snow removal.

Just to put it on record once more, in the event of snow, announcements will be made on the following radio stations: WHDH-AM, WBZ-AM, WEEI-AM, WEZE-AM, WBCN-FM, WROR, AND WRKO. The computerized WHDH listings also are carried on Channel 5. Please **do not phone** the University

for snow information.

There are two types of cancellation information fed to the media, depending on situations: "No classes at UMass/Boston today", or "The University is closed." (The later was made on January 11 when classes were not scheduled.

A "no classes" announcement means clerical and administrative help must report on schedule.

A "University is closed" announcement means exactly what it says.



Speaking of books, Professor Lee Grove's first novel, *Last Dance*, will be published by Faber & Faber on March 1.

Dr. Grove, Associate Professor of English, has been teaching at UMass/Boston since it opened in 1965. He is well-known on campus for his courses in "Adolescence in Literature" and "American Detective Fiction." Mark L. Primack has a photographic exhibit at the Healey Library from January 23 to March 3 on "The Architecture and Development of the Boston and Metropolitan Water Works, 1846-1900."

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profile No job too small for WUMB's general manager Pat Monteith



"If you did anything wrong, you'd get a banana thrown at you."

That's how Pat Monteith, General Manager of WUMB Radio, describes the original setup of the University's first and only broadcast operation. In 1969, she and a small but determined group of enthusiasts brainstormed, lobbied for support, and approached the Student Actrivities Committee for funding for their initial modest effort — an announcer's booth in the cafeteria at the Park Square Campus.

Despite her influential early involvement, Monteith still insists her entry into the communication's field was "totally accidental." At the time, she was preparing for a career in mathematics.

It soon became apparant, however, that broadcasting offered a different challenge. Listeners were a set of unknown varaibles whose needs were constantly fluctuating in relation to the time and the environment. "It probably was one of the only things that has enough change in it to keep me interested for a long time." she says.

Fifteen years later, the human factor is still the primary focus of WUMB Radio. Over 100 volunteers from the university and surrounding communities staff two individual operations — the "I see the station as a little bit of all things to UMass/Boston. The student volunteers are given the same opportunities as the residents. We're an educational tool for those who choose to use us.

- Pat Monteith

original, closed-circuit, student-run station, and a two-hundred watt, public service oriented FM station serving Boston and the South Shore.

"There is an honest confusion that there are two operations," Monteith comments.

Each day, both systems are alternately piped through the lounges and cafeterias of the Harbor and Park Square campuses. The AM student effort offers a lively mix of jazz, rock and rhythmand-blues, while the FM fills the midafternoon hiatus with mellow contemporary folk music and public service features.

Despite the clear-cut contrast in formats, however, Monteith views them as complementary to one another, designed to serve a parallel set of

purposes.

Since WUMB began programming on the FM band in September 1982, interest in the community radio outlet has snowballed. "Our members quadrupled overnight, from twenty-five to over one hundred volunteers," Monteith remembers.

"I see the station as a little bit of all things to UMass/Boston," she says. "The student volunteers are given the same opportunities as the residents. We're an educational tool for those who choose to use us.

"Coming up through the ranks as I did was unheard of. I'm not the typical general manager, who doesn't attempt to gain a working knowledge of as many facets of the business as possible." Her skills run the gamut from engineering to business development and management. At this year's live FM broadcast from the Boston Globe Book Festival, she and several staffers spent two days pasing out literature and hundreds of balloons to visitors. No job is too small.

Monteith received her Master's Degree in Mass Communications from Emerson College, and also furthered her education with graduate work at Boston University.

She served for four years as an elected member of the Board of Directors of the Intercollegiate Broadcasting Association. Other endeavors include involvement with two boards on Public Broadcasting, ascertainment and research projects for other radio stations, and freelance broadcasting consultant's work.

Monteith also taught communications courses at Salem State College, UMass/Boston and Graham Junior College.

More recently, she has become interested in the visual end of the communications spectrum, serving as chairperson of the Randolph Cable Television Advisory Committee, with varied consulting work for other cable television stations as well.

In her spare time, she enjoys still more communications work, producing WUMB's "Children's Radio Space" with her seven-year old son Barnas, Boston's youngest radio program host. "He's the apple of my eye and then some," she smiles.

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College of Public and Community *—chancellor's*-Service celebrates 10th anniversary *cor*

The 10th anniversary of UMass/Boston's College of Public and Community Service (CPCS) was celebrated at the John F. Kennedy Library with Dr. Barbara A. Sizemore delivering a stirring speech on the "Legacy of Martin Luther King."

Some 250 were in attendance, including Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan who delivered remarks after a welcome from Carmen V. Dillon, Associate Dean of CPCS and Chairperson of the 10th Anniversary Committee.

Dr. Frank Broderick, who was Chancellor of the University when CPCS was founded, was in attendance along with Dr. John H. Strange, first Dean of CPCS. Dr. Strange donated some 1,000 volumes from his personal library to the college.

Dr. Kenneth Haskins, a member of the CPCS Advisory Board and former president of Roxbury Community College, delivered remarks, along with Dr. James Jennings, Dean of CPCS.

"Ten years is a relatively short period of time as far as institutions of higher education are concerned," said Dr. Jennings. "But in the last 10 years, CPCS has made important contributions to higher education in this city and, indeed, across the country.

"This is exciting because when we look around the country, and abroad, we find diverse institutions of higher education moving rapidly towards the innovations that have been institutionalized at CPCS. This mission which CPCS is attempting to implement is what many educators are saying higher education should be about.

"Our college, for example, has the

greatest proportion of minority students than any other four year college or University in the Commonwealth; 65% of our student body are women.

"Many of the world's emerging ethnic, religious, social and economic tensions will have to be resolved in the public arena. This means that higher education has a responsibility to prepare citizens in public service for new demands placed on them...I submit that this was at least one goal of Martin Luther King, Jr. and in a very concrete way, this is what CPCS is about."

Soloist Ruth Hamilton delivered two stirring songs.

The founding faculty and staff: Ms. Alma Armstrong; Professor Ruth Roberts Bennett; Dr. Noel Beyle; Professor H. Raymond Bronk, Jr.; Ms. Barbara Buchannan; Ms. Loretta Cedrone; Professor Herrick Chapman;

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CPCS Dean James Jennings



At the 10th anniversary celebration of CPCS held at the JFK Library, left to right: Dr. Kenneth Haskins; Dr. Barbara Sizemore; and CPCS Dean James Jennings.



by Robert A. Corrigan

There has been a lot of attention given recently to the prevalance of adult illiteracy in Boston and around the country. Figures vary with definitions, but we know that there are tens of thousands of functionally illiterate adults in the Boston area — that is, adults whose ability in written English is such that they cannot read about, apply for, or hold a job and that simple issues of daily living cannot be addressed without great difficulty.

I am pleased that UMass/Boston is taking a major role in a new initiative in Boston to deal with adult illiteracy. Under the leadership of Paul Grogan and Diane Halperin at Boston's Neighborhood Development and Employment Agency, which has provided \$1,000,000 in funding for the first year, an "adult literacy system" is being created to address this problem.

Fourteen neighborhood agencies have been funded to deliver basic education, English as a second language, and other remedial services to adults with literacy needs. UMass/Boston and Roxbury Community College have joined together to build an Adult Literacy Resource Institute designed to provide support and technical assistance to the neighbood agencies engaged in these direct services. This Institute is presently producing teaching materials, developing a curriculum library and providing inservice training geared to the particular educational needs of illiterate adults.

The effort receives further support from the business community through the Private Industry Council and involves as well the Boston Housing Authority and the Boston Public Schools.

Fuad Safwat, Acting Director of I.L.T., and Murray Frank, Assistant to the Chancellor for Urban Services, represent the University on the Steering Committee that guides the Resource Institute. This is a fine example of the University's joint involvement with other institutions in the community to help alleviate a serious community problem.

Reverend Hogan joins Campus Ministry at UMass/Boston

Reverend Jerry Hogan, a Woburn native, is excited about his recent assignment to UMass/Boston's Campus Ministry.

"I think this is a great challange," said Hogan. "It's exciting to meet kids who are looking for alternatives. We get lots of questions. And I'm impressed with the kid's energy, their sense of purpose. They want to better themselves.

"There's a lot of cooperation. We're all working for the same purpose we're trying to better ourselves and grow. It's (UMB) a caring school."

Hogan joined UMass/Boston in August and splits his time with Emmanuel College.

Hogan's activities at UMB include: performing the Liturgy, hearing confession, pastoral counseling, referral work for deep-seated problems and supervision of three seminarians who are assigned to UMB.

Hogan and the Reverend Sarah Small, the Ministry's Protestant Minister, lead a joint prayer four mornings a week.

Said Hogan: "We're trying to build into people's attitudes that we're



Dr. Barbara Sizemore

CPCS Founding Faculty & Staff

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Professor Badi Foster; Professor Phyllis Freeman; Dr. Susan Gassner; Professor A. Richard Hogarty; Dr. Carter Jefferson; Dr. Arthur Naparstek; Dr. Bert Putterman; Professor John H. Strange; Professor Clark E. Taylor.

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Hogan has found the UMB ministry to be an active one. "I've been very busy. Once I get going I don't want to leave. I love the job. I enjoy the campus, the people. Everyone's listening and open."

Along with his campus ministries, Hogan is a member of the Rainbow Connection, which promotes Archdiocesan youth activities. He is an advocate for the Archdiocese Marriage Tribunal and is a supervisor at St. John's Seminary Field Education Department. Experience in youth work in Somerville and at St. Theresa's in West Roxbury serves Hogan well at UMass/Boston.

A graduate of St. John's Seminary College, Reverend Hogan was ordained in 1974. Hogan played golf and hockey at Woburn High School, is a sports fan and skier, and enjoys the theatre and music.

Reverend Hogan resides at St. Augustine's in South Boston.



Reverend Jerry Hogan

Brandeis professor accepts new Lectureship on Aging at UMB

Dr. Robert Morris, professor emeritus at Brandeis University who has accepted the Cardinal Medeiros Lectureship on Aging at UMass/Boston, was founder of and served from 1970-76 as director of the Levinson Policy Institute at Brandeis.

In recent years he has served in consulting and advisory capacities to the National Institute of Mental Health, the Veterans Administration, the International City Management Association, the Department of HEW Office and Planning and Office of Human Development Series. Dr. Morris has authored or coauthored Centrally Planned Changed, Toward A Caring Society, and Social Studies of the American Welfare State.

He was the editor in chief of the 16th edition of the *Encyclopedia of Social* Work and Welfare.

A native of Akron, Ohio, Dr. Morris attended University of Akron, 1931; Western Reserve University, M.Sc., 1935, and Columbia University, D.S.W., 1959.

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CAS Associate Dean John J. Conlon participated in the December grading of the English Composition Test segment of the College Board's English Achievement Test. Over 160 English teachers and professors from across the nation gathered at Princeton to grade nearly 86,000 essays.

Incidentally, Dr. Conlon's recent book, Walter Pater and the French Tradition, has been chosen for inclusion in the newly-released reference work, The Romantic Period: A Selective and Critical Bibliography for 1982 published by Garland Press. Dr. Janet Duncan of the Department of Geography and Earth Science delivered the opening address for an exhibit of her collection of artifacts from Papna, New Guinea in the art gallery at Plymouth State College. A comprehensive program of events surrounded the recent display.