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## Briefly . . .

Dr. Jeremy Hatch (Biology) has been awarded a contract by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to provide data on nesting populations of various species of seabirds on islands in Boston Harbor and Buzzard's Bay. These numbers will be incorporated into an atlas published by the USFWS.

Dr. Edward Strickland (Psychology) has a series of commentaries on the arts that started May 4 on Channel 56, Changing Lanes. Dr. Strickland's commentaries, entitled "Art in Life and Life in Art," draw from the psychology of aesthetics, the psychology of creativity and art history. Segments provide analysis of work by contemporary as well as historic artists.

Dr. Wallace Coyle of the College of Management was selected for a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to present a series of lectures last month at the Boston Public Library's Jamaica Plain branch. "Modern Voices in New England Fiction" was the topic of the series.

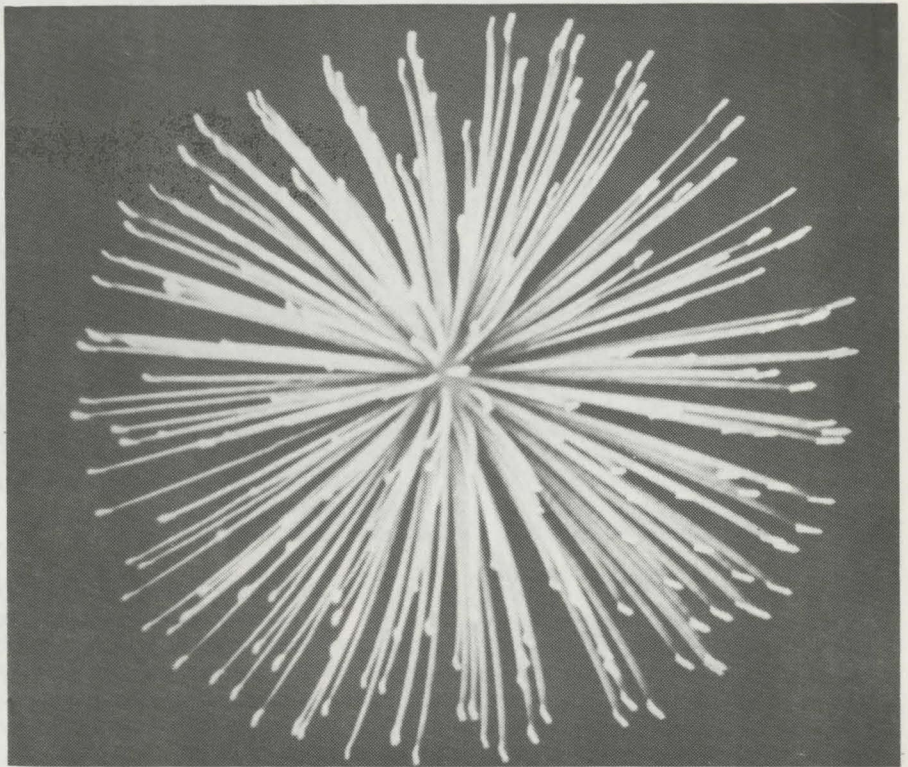
Coyle has appeared in a number of symposia and lectures on the subject. Most recently he appeared at Northeastern University and lectured on Henry Wadsworth Longfellow at the historic Wayside Inn.

At UMB, Coyle is the coordinator of Writing in CM. He has authored three books and is completing a textbook in managerial communications.

John Caiazza of Financial Aid had an essay published in *Hillsdale Review*, a critique of social science as used on domestic policy. It was titled *The Imperialism of Social Science*.

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## Happy Birthday, UMass/Boston!



The fireworks display was one of the most spectacular seen in these parts.

A spectacular fireworks display on the Harbor Campus put a thundering exclamation mark to a series of special events to celebrate UMass/Boston's 20th Anniversary. The fireworks were one of the highlights of a picnic hosted by Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan for faculty and staff.

"It was a wonderful way to conclude a wonderful series of events," said Dr. Walter Weibrecht, who chaired the 20th Anniversary Committee after Dr. George Goodwin was forced to step aside for medical reasons.

The Committee: Weibrecht, Goodwin, John Larner (Community Service); Dolores Miller (Grants and Contracts); Prof. Robert Bertone (CM); Prof. Quentin Chavous (CPCS) and Associate Chancellor Emily A. McDermott.

"It was one of the best committees I've ever served upon," said Larner.

The fireworks display, incidentally, was by Telstar of Jaffrey, N.H., and was supervised by owner Eugene Speeney.

A banquet held in the Clark Athletic Center on October 12, 1983 kicked off the 20th Anniversary events.

The Music Department sponsored several events, among them the first American appearance of pianist Wanda Brauner on February 15; Robert Kaluni's "Dialogue in Dorchester: Let's Drink A Toast to JFK" at the John F. Kennedy Library, February 24; Dizzy Gillespie's well received jazz concert on March 30, and the UMass Chorus Annual Spring Concert with orchestra on April 29.

Mounted by Sherry Thomas, Director of INFO, and prominently displayed

during the year was a visual exhibit of photos and memorabilia highlighting the University's first 20 years.

*The Mass Media*, UMB's student-operated newspaper, published a special edition for the anniversary, "A Glance into the Past," recounting some of the events and decisions that helped shape UMass/Boston through its 20-year history.

The Distinguished Visiting Professors, a Spring series, brought Harvard's Robert Coles, nuclear activist Randall Forsberg, marine biologist John Wood and Cornell's Theodore Lowi to the campus from February through April.

CPCS held its 10th Anniversary at the JFK Library and sponsored a day-long "Grass Roots and Populism" program on March 24.

Jam-packed audiences engaged in the Harbor Islands Symposia in April at the Faculty Club. A harbor cruise on April 28 capped the program.

Unveils of special paintings of former Chancellors Robert Ryan and Francis Broderick drew large audiences of friends and well-wishers. The newly-refurbished student lounge in Building 2 was named in Ryan's honor.

UMass/Boston's Musical Theatre Company presented "I Happen to Like New York" in early May.

There were special bumper stickers, posters, and a giant advertising sign that moved around the Greater Boston area.

The committee, you should know, has called a meeting in September, 1985—to ensure the 25th Anniversary is a real blast.

It'll take some doing to top the 20th.



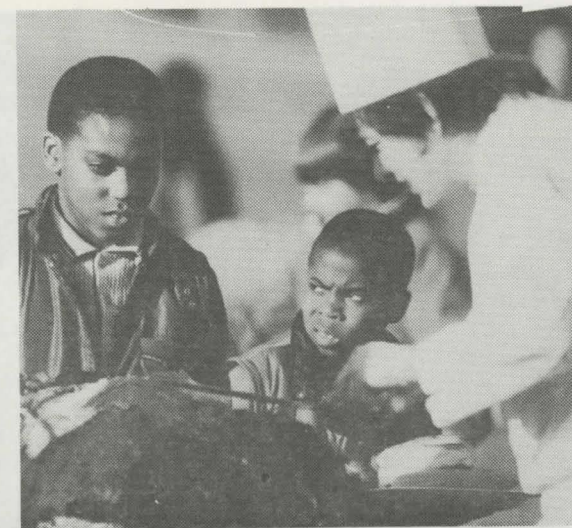


All grins, Carl Finn of Grants and Contracts, center, and varsity hockey coach Joe Mallen, right, chatted with Chancellor Robert Corrigan hard by the charcoal grille.

Hot licks from the Jazz band kept all in good tune at Chancellor Corrigan's bash. A good time—and tune—was had by all.



Youngsters had a fun-filled, food filled evening at Chancellor Corrigan's picnic. Here a couple look on anxiously as the chef carves slabs of steamship round roast beef. There was plenty of grub—and all the fixin's.



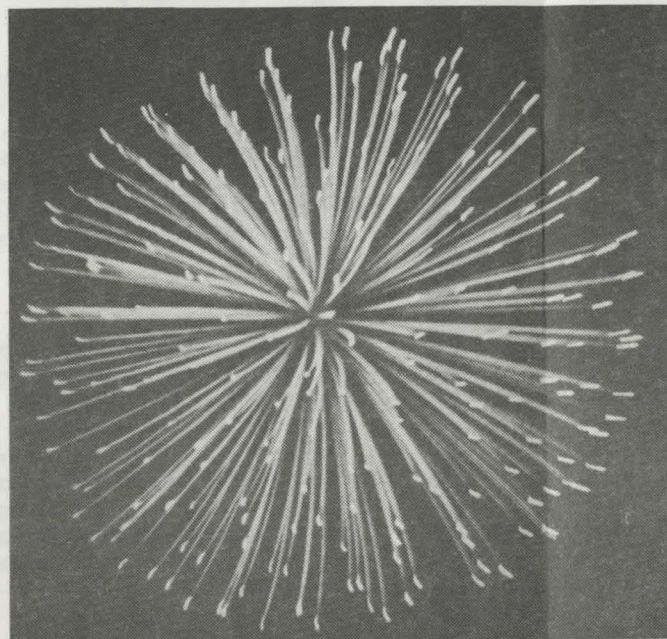
Vice-Chancellor Thomas Baxter and wife Mary, center, cut up touches with Mrs. Charles (Jeanne) Boland, who took a couple of cabbage dolls to the picnic.



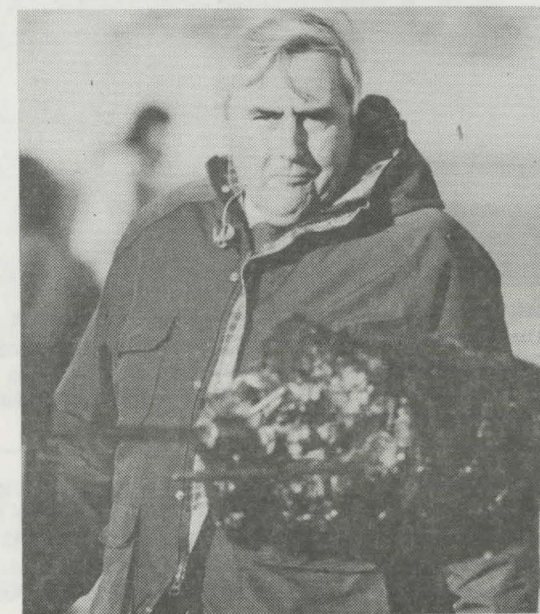
Dr. Walter Weibrecht, left, chairman of the 20th Anniversary Committee, chats with Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan at the lavish picnic held prior to commencement at the Harbor Campus. It was, said Weibrecht, a major success.



Dolores Miller, Grants and Contracts, with Dr. George Goodwin at the Chancellor's picnic. Both served on the 20th Anniversary Committee and were very active. Indeed, Dr. Goodwin was chairman until physical problems forced him to yield to Dr. Walter Weibrecht.



Many in attendance had never seen such a mammoth fireworks display. The kids, especially, were thrilled. Our neighbors in Dorchester, South Boston, Quincy, etc. also enjoyed the show, and Channel 56 (WLVI) used the pyrotechnics as part of its 10 PM news broadcast, with anchor Jack Hynes wished us a happy 20th Anniversary.



No incoming freshman was ever sized up by Ed Zaleskas of Admissions as closely as this succulent slab of roast beef. Come and get it, Ed!

The Specks were out in force. Forrest J. Speck, Director of Auxiliary Services, holds daughter Elizabeth, 4, while wife Anne carries son Edward, 2. The kids had a ball.



Cups of cheer are held, left to right, by Marge Cooney, Dr. Joseph Cooney and Mrs. Michael (Becky) Shiaris. How do you like Cooney's lid?



Robert and Lillian Carlisle with friends Edward and "Chickie" Arnold had a pleasant picnic.



A visitor from Merrie Auld England, Mr. Christian, left, a close friend of of Dr. George Goodwin, was impressed with the fireworks display, among other things. Left to right: Mr. Christian, Dr. Timothy McCarthy (History), Mrs. George (Ellen) Goodwin, under the arm of Dr. Paul Gagnon, Dr. Goodwin, ready with a blanket for the chill climes, and John Larnar (Community Relations.)



# Briefly . . .

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Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan spoke to members of the Dorchester Historical Society on Flag Day at the historic First Parish Church on Meeting House Hill.

"We're very honored to have Chancellor Corrigan," said Rev. James K. Allen, pastor, and a recent honorary degree recipient. Mrs. Elizabeth Allen, the pastor's wife, created a special music program for the event.

The church's famed "red, white, blue" desserts were on hand: strawberries, blueberries, and vanilla ice cream.

Two of the American Council of Learned Societies' 65 fellowships awarded in a national competition for research in the humanities and related social subjects were to UMass/Boston members—Paul H. Tucker, associate professor of art, and Robert K. Shope, professor of philosophy.

A third was awarded history professor Stephen Nissenbaum at UMass/Amherst.

Shope will research: knowledge, truth and representation; and Tucker: Monet and French paintings of the 1890's.

The fellowships are funded for a period of six months to one year. The program is made possible by grants from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the Ford Foundation, and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Robert Morris, the Cardinal Medeiros Lecturer on Aging at UMass/Boston, was among the nine people who received an honorary degree at Brandeis University's commencement.

Morris recently was appointed by Gov. Michael S. Dukakis to the Massachusetts State Health Coordinating Council.

Dolores Miller of the Grants Office has been promoted from Administrative Assistant, classified staff to Assistant Director, professional staff. Mrs. Miller has been with the Grants Office for over 10 years. She will work closely with members of the faculty in the area of providing information and contacts relative to possible funding sources for sponsored activities. A former member of the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, Mrs. Miller is very involved in community activities in Dorchester.



University of Massachusetts Trustee Stanton Kurzman is flanked by John X. Davoren, right, former speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, and Maurice Donahue, former president of the Massachusetts Senate at a recent dinner hosted by UMass Trustee Chairman Robert H. Quinn. The dinner was in honor of state legislators who were instrumental in the creation of UMass/Boston.

Chris Clifford, Director, Student Activities, sends word that the Committee has appropriated funds to purchase an institutional membership to the Museum of Fine Arts. It commences July 1. Students will be able to take advantage merely by showing a valid ID. Additionally, the Student Activities Committee appropriated \$1,000 to be donated to the University Community Scholarship Fund.

The University's Board of Trustees has a new member, Thalia P. Zervas of Milton, who was sworn in recently by Gov. Michael S. Dukakis. Renewed was the term of Andrew C. Knowles III, a trustee since 1980, President of Lexidata Corp. and chairman of the Board's Committee on Budget and Financial Affairs.

Ms. Zervas serves many organizations, including the Board of Trustees of Anatolia College in Salonika, Greece. She is an advisor to Hellenic College, Brookline, and is a Radcliffe College alumna.

Bette Davis, Director of International Exchange, finished the Boston Marathon in 3:23:33, ranking 32nd of 102 women in the Women's Masters Division. Among all women finishers, she was 301st out of 582.

"It was my first Boston run, but my third marathon," said Bette, who qualified at Casco Bay, Maine (3:17:41). "It was tough, but worth it. The support—especially from UMass/Boston people—along the way was great."

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