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ShoreLines

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Special

WINTER DINNER DANCE

The Alumni Office has invited seniors, faculty and staff to join the Alumni at their winter dinner dance on Sat 28 Feb. The evening begins with a buffet dinner and tour of the JFK Library at 6pm. Dancing starts in Build II at 8pm and continues until midnight. There will be door prizes and a cash bar. Tickets are \$5 and must be purchased from Don Costello, Director of the Alumni Office, x2148.

PUBLISHING

GEORGE KONIARIS, CAS Professor of Classics, has had his review of the Oxford critical edition of Plotinus by Paul Henry and Hans-Rudolf Schwyzer published in vol 100, 1979, of the American Journal of Philology. Volume 101, 1980, of the same periodical, contains his note on Aeschylus' Agamemnon, and volume 108, 1980, of Hermes contains his article entitled "Conjectures in the Fragments of the Grammarian Philoxenus."

MICHAEL CHESSON, CAS Assistant Professor of History, has had his first book, Richmond After the War, 1865-1890, published by the Virginia State Library; his article, "Editors Indulging in Doubleleaded Matter': The Shoot-out at the Capitol in 1866," appears in the winter issue of Virginia Cavalcade.

EFRAIN BARRADAS, CAS Assistant Professor of Spanish, has published a bilingual anthology of contemporary Puerto Rican poetry written in the United States. The book, edited in collaboration with Rafael Rodriguez, is titled Herejes y mitificadores (Heretics and Mythmakers) and was published in Puerto Rico.

HONORED

BARBARA ROSS, CAS Associate Professor of Psychology, is President-elect of Division 26 (History of Psychology) of the American Psychological Association. She is also Program Chairperson for Division 1 (General Psychology) for the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association to be held in Los Angeles in Aug. Past President of the New England Psychological Association, Ross continues as Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences, and just completed her term as Representative to Council of APA at a meeting in Washington last month.

"Joan Robinson: One Woman's Story," the TV documentary about History Professor ERIC ROBINSON's late wife's struggle with terminal cancer, is among 24 finalists nominated for the Alfred Dupont-Columbia University Awards for Broadcast Journalism.

APPOINTED

JOHN CAIAZZA, former Director of Financial Aid at the New England School of Law, has been appointed Associate Director of Student Financial Management.

KRISTIN STREIFF, former Director of Student Aid at LaSalle Junior College, has been named Assistant Director. She will be responsible for the Basic Educational Opportunity Grant Program.

RONALD ANCRUM, former Assistant Dean of Admissions at Colgate U, has been named Associate Director of Admissions at UMB. He has also served as Assistant Director of Admissions at Conn College.

GOV FILES REORG AMENDMENTS

Gov King recently filed amendments to the legislation passed during the last legislative session reorganizing Mass public higher education. The main provisions he cited would authorize the new Board of Regents to exercise the fiscal and administrative flexibility traditionally granted to public higher education; set a competitive salary for the Chancellor of Higher Education; administer college and university trusts in a responsible, and efficient manner; adopt regulations for administering the public higher education system; and share, where appropriate, their authority with college and university trustees.

King urged the legislature to give the proposals "immediate attention" because the Regents assume their full responsibility on 1 Mar. He said, "With your continued cooperation and concern, this reorganization will succeed and our state colleges and universities will continue among the finest in America."

FINAL TRUSTEES MEETING

The U Mass Board of Trustees met for the last time 4 Feb at the Boston Park Plaza, and voted to name the Harbor Campus Library in honor of retiring Chairman Joseph P Healey.

Healey was primarily responsible for acquiring the Harbor Campus site, as well as locating the JFK Library here.

He also worked to establish the Catherine Forbes Clark Athletic and Recreation Center, which was dedicated 8 Feb.

The Board also approved the establishment of a Ph D program in Environmental Science. The Faculty and Educational Policy Committee had previously approved the program at its 21 Jan meeting. If the Board of Regents gives final approval, the Environmental Science PhD will be the first doctoral degree offered by UMB.

A proposal to establish a Master of Arts in Liberal Studies was also given preliminary approval, and sent to the Board of Regents.

UMB DATA CENTER FOR STATE

UMB will be the State Data Center for Mass, under a program developed by the US Bureau of the Census, when Gov King signs the state's compact with the Bureau. The designation will add to the University's government documents resources.

The Census Bureau collects and publishes statistical data on almost every facet of American life. The most familiar publications are those from the decennial censuses and the annual Statistical Abstract of the United States, probably the single most useful volume in any government documents collection. The State Data Center program, established to encourage and improve public access to statistical resources, provides print publications and computerized 'raw' data files of unpublished Census Bureau statistics, edited to prevent identification of individuals. The data files, which are accessible through a computer, will probably be available for use at UMB's Computing Center in the spring. The Library will acquire a free print collection of reference materials, current Census Bureau publications, and a mylar map collection, all of which will be shelved in the fifth floor Government Documents Room.

MORE CONTRIBUTIONS TO LIBRARY

UMB's Library, which recently received papers dating from between 1878 and 1920 from the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, has just acquired another collection: papers from the Boston Children's Service Association dating back to 1800. They contain records of some of the Commonwealth's oldest charitable institutions, according to Linda Gordon, Associate Professor of History.

VISITING SCHOLAR IN AMERICAN CIV

Elting Morison, Professor Emeritus at MIT, spent three days on campus earlier this month as a visiting scholar at UMB's Center for the Study of American Life and Culture. A former Professor of American Civilization at Yale, Morison gave a seminar here about technology and culture.

BIOLOGY GETS TWO GRANTS

Leslie S Kaufman, CAS Visiting Professor of Biology, and John P Ebersole, CAS Assistant Professor of Biology, have received a grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for a study of "Structure in Coral Reef Fish Communities: Predictability of Taxonomic, Morphological and Behavioral Patterns." The goal of the study is to determine the degree to which assemblages of coral reef fishes are organized with respect to the body design and foraging behavior of the constituent fishes.

The project will include a week of census taking and observation from an underwater living facility, "Hydrolab," located in St. Croix, Virgin Islands. The research team will consist of Les Kaufman, John Ebersole and three aquanauts, one a graduate student at U Mass/Boston. Two members of the U Mass/Boston SCUBA club will go to St. Croix to serve as support divers for the Hydrolab mission.

The department also received a grant from the National Science Foundation to support undergraduate research. It will provide tax-exempt summer stipends of \$1200 each to eight students for 10 weeks.

According to Lawrence Kaplan, Chairman of Biology and Project Director, the purpose of the program is to increase and sustain the level of undergraduate enthusiasm and opportunity in biological research at UMB. "It is also intended to provide direct participation in ongoing publishable research. Thus, the program offers a diverse array of research projects supervised by faculty who are active contributors to their fields."

Faculty are John P Ebersole, William Hagar, Christine Armet-Kibel, Charles J Puccia, Ruth E Schmitter, Richard H White and H Garrison Wilkes.

Applications and additional information are available from the Biology Department Office Build I Fl-3 Rm 021.

20 MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR FALL

UMB has 20 Merit Scholarships for students entering the University this fall as matriculated degree candidates. To qualify, applicants must meet one of the following guidelines: 1) be in the top five percent of their high school graduating class; OR 2) if information about rank in class is not available, have demonstrated intellectual and academic accomplishment or comparable distinction; OR 3) excel in the arts.

The scholarships are for full tuition for a maximum of four years or the equivalent if the student is part-time.

There will be two reviews of applicants. Students not selected the first time may be reconsidered. Those who miss the first deadline will be considered during a second review period. The deadline for all materials to be in the Admissions Office for the first is 1 Mar. Winners will be notified 15 April. The second review deadline is 15 July for 1 Sept notification. For more information contact Anna Tarquinio x2172.

CSR STUDY TO EXAMINE EFFECTS OF SURVEY TRAINING

Everyone these days seems interested in the results of surveys, but what of those people who collect the data? Most surveys rely on the talents of interviewers. The way they do their job may affect the accuracy of the data.

To find out how much training and supervision is needed to insure reliable surveys, UMB's Center for Survey Research (CSR) recently received a federal grant for a study. Funded by the U S Department of Health and Human Services for more than \$250,000, the three-year old study will be directed by Floyd J Fowler, Jr, Director of CSR.

Associate Director Thomas W Mangione and Field Supervisor Alice Fehlhaber will assist.

Interviewers will be trained and supervised in varying intensities. Later, they will be evaluated based on their job knowledge, performance, and the reliability of the data they collect.

Fowler says he expects the study to produce guidelines for determining appropriate levels for supervising and training interviewers collecting data for various kinds of health related surveys. "The results will be useful to those engaged in surveys, as well as those who purchase such research," he says. "The guidelines should lead to more cost-effective research designs and higher quality health data for the rest of us."

WEATHERIZATION WORKSHOPS

A UMB team led by Hal Mahon and John Foss of the Physics Dept and supported by field coordinators Jamie Factor, Bonnie Symansky and Stephen Kaplan has been leading a series of weatherization workshops for low-income citizens in Boston this fall. Sponsored by UMB, the Executive Office for Energy Resources, the US Dept of Energy and many Boston-based community organizations, the workshops teach participants both no-cost and low-cost measures for improving their comfort while reducing their energy bills. Sessions have been run in Dorchester, the North End, the South End, South Boston, Jamaica Plain and Allston-Brighton.

"One of the favorite no-cost ways to keep warm in winter," Mahon says, "is an old technique used two or three generations ago, and now called 'winter retreat zoning.' Using this method, a family can live in and heat only a fraction of its apartment or house. Many families spend almost all of their time in the kitchen and one other room. They can close off the rest of the house, hanging blankets or curtains over doorways, and heat only those rooms they are using."

One couple attending a workshop reported stuffing newspaper in the cracks under doors to eliminate drafts, according to Mahon. Another family drinks hot liquid to keep warm.

The workshops also focus on low-cost home improvements to increase comfort and save fuel. Caulking and weatherstripping windows and doors, Mahon says, cost only a few dollars.

Local hardware stores have cooperated by offering discounts on weatherization materials to workshop participants.

FACULTY TO TELEPHONE ACCEPTED STUDENTS

The Admissions Office has announced its third annual telephone campaign, calling newly-accepted students. It will take place 5-8pm, 23 Mar - 3 April. Faculty will be asked to telephone those students accepted for the coming fall. Any member of the faculty or staff who would like to participate should contact Anna Tarquinio x2172.

The results of last year's telephone campaign confirm our feelings that this is a very worthwhile project, says Douglas Hartnagel, Dean of Enrollment Services.

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN FOR STUDY IN FRANCE

Now in its 13th year, the Year of Study in France Program is currently accepting applications. Students who participate live in French homes in Paris and attend classes at various institutions of higher learning including the Sorbonne and the Institut de Sciences Politiques. They are also taught by UMB faculty. Students need not be French majors, but should have intermediate proficiency in the language. Those interested should contact Gerald Volpe in the CAS French Dept Build II Fl-5 Rm 423 X. 2956.

Grace Muscarella, Director of Student Financial Management, will conduct a special seminar about new student aid legislation, especially for members of the UMB community who have children bound for post-secondary education and those who are concerned about what Congress has done with their tax dollars. The seminar will take place 12:30-4pm Wed 25 Feb in the Chancellor's Conference Room. Muscarella has conducted this seminar for numerous high school guidance counselor groups under the aegis of the National Student Financial Aid Administrators' Training Program.

SYMPOSIUM ON FOOD

The Anthropology Dept is sponsoring a two-part symposium entitled "Cultural Perspectives on Food and Nutrition," to be held next month in the Small Science Auditorium, Science Building.

The first session, on 5 Mar at 2:30 pm, will feature Mary Douglas of the Russell Sage Foundation speaking on "Food as a Communicator"; Gretel H Pelto, Associate Professor of Anthropology, U of Conn, on "Dietary Change and Modernization in an Industrial Society"; and Judith Goode, Associate Professor of Anthropology, Temple U, on "The Process of Change in an Ethnic Food System."

At the second session, on 11 Mar at 2:30 pm, George J Armelagos, Professor of Anthropology at UMA, will talk about "Eating as Cultural Adaptation"; Claire M Cassidy, Dept of Anthropology, U of Maryland, on "Benign Neglect: a Consideration of Adaptive Aspects of Toddler Malnutrition"; and Carol Laderman, Dept. of Anthropology, Yale U, on "Ideology and Behavior: Flexibility, Interpretation, and 'Rules to Break Rules.'"

A reception will follow each session of the symposium, which is open to the public, free of charge.

WINTER WALKING SAFETY

Walking through the winter wonderland may be scenic, but it is also beset with a number of special hazards. Here are some tips from Charlie Spaulding, Director of the Physical Plant, for avoiding slips and spills this winter:

- . Remove snow and slush from sidewalks, steps, and paths before it is trampled into a frozen mass.
- . Use sand, gravel, or fine cinders to create traction on icy surfaces.
- . Maintain moderate walking pace, keeping weight well balanced.
- . Use hand rails on stairs, both inside and out. Entrance halls and stairs often have a coating of slush tracked in from the outside.
- . Inspect steps for ice upon entering or leaving a building.
- . Clean feet carefully when entering a building.

If you do fall, Spaulding says to think about these ways to minimize injury as you go down:

- . Relax. If you relax rather than tense up, you will usually just slump to the ground, weight equally distributed.
- . In forward falls, use a "roll" motion like football players.
- . In a backward fall, go limp and try to land with your weight distributed equally among shoulders, hips and hands.

"Care and attention to the walk ahead will prevent many falls," Spaulding says. "Remember that wet ice and hardpacked snow are more slippery when wet than dry."

Unlike old soldiers, CMPS has not faded away. Rather, it has moved from its former quarters in the Science Building to Building II. All faculty and staff offices are now located there and the College has structured itself departmentally. Here follows the new arrangement:

Office of Dean Fl-5 Rm 610

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Lillian Carlisle, Secretary X3284

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Mary Donovan, Secretary X3283

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John Papageorgiou, Chair
Donna Forkin, Secretary

Dept of Marketing Fl-5 Rm 430 X2541
Gary Young, Chair
Norma O'Brien, Secretary

COURSES FOR MALDEN AND MEDFORD RESIDENTS

UMB is offering courses for Malden and Medford residents in conjunction with the Malden Hospital School of Nursing. Limited to nursing students in the past, the courses this term are English, psychology and sociology. Classes began Mon 9 Feb and continue through May. Each meets for two hours weekly on Mondays.

Calendar

2/24 - 3/9

● TUE 2/24

CPCS ADMISSIONS SEMINAR/Information Session Rm 419
Downtown every Tue 9am & 6pm Free.

CONSIDERING RETURN TO COLLEGE SEMINAR/for adults every
Tue noon Rm 419 Downtown & 6pm Admissions Office Harbor
Campus. For details 287-8100. Free.

WORKSHOP/"Meditation and Deep Relaxation" Stress
Management Series sponsored by Health Education & Informa-
tion Center. Build II F1-3 Rm 130 11:30 - 1pm.

BASKETBALL/Men's with Franklin Pierce @ home 7:30pm.

EXHIBIT/Works by UMB studio faculty Harbor Gallery thru
6 MAR M-F 10am - 5pm.

● WED 2/25

WORKSHOP/"New Student Aid Legislation: Outlook for the
80s" led by Grace Muscarella, Director of Office of
Student Financial Management, in Chancellor's Conference
Rm 12:30-4pm.

● THUR 2/26

WORKSHOP/"Movement and Alignment: Stress Implications"
Stress Management Series sponsored by Health Education &
Information Center. Build II F1-3 Rm 130 11:30am-1pm.

FILM/"The City and the Self" by Stanley Milgram
Sponsored by CAS Urban Studies Build II F1-3 Rm 430 2:45pm.

WORKSHOP/Financial Aid for students Sponsored by En-
rollment Services CPCS Rm 419 7:30-9pm.

BASKETBALL/Men's with Nasson @ home 7:30pm.

● FRI 2/27

LECTURE/"Photoreceptor Synapses of the Fly's Eye:
Their Formation, Attrition and Regulations During Develop-
ment" by IA Meinertzhagen, Professor of Biology at
Dalhousie U. Sponsored by Biology Dept. Build II F1-1
Rm 209 2:30pm.

● SAT 2/28

HOCKEY/@ Stonehill 5pm.

DINNER-DANCE/Alumni Association buffet dinner and
tour at the JFK Library begins at 6pm. Dancing starts in
Build II at 8pm.

BASKETBALL/Men's @ Unity 7pm.

● MON 3/2

DROP-IN PROGRAM/Smokers' Liberation Sponsored by Health
& Information Center Build II F1-1 Rm 613 11am-1pm.

DEADLINE/Merit Scholarship applications due for first
review notification 15 April in Admission Office.

DEADLINE/ShoreLines material due in Office of Public
Information 5pm.

● TUE 3/3

CPCS ADMISSIONS/Repeat 2/24.

CONSIDERING RETURN TO COLLEGE SEMINAR/Repeat 2/24.

HEALTH INFO BOOTH/"Beating the Winter Blues and Blahs"
Sponsored by Health Education & Information Center Build
II Lobby 10:30am-1pm.

WORKSHOP/"Stress and Performance: Work Overload"
Stress Management Series sponsored by Health Education &
Information Center. Build II F1-3 Rm 130 11:30am-1pm.

CONCERT/Balkan Folk Music by Laduvane Sponsored by
Extended Day Faculty Club Lounge Library F1-11 8pm. Free.

● WED 3/4

ASH WEDNESDAY

POETRY READING/Miriam Levine of CAS English Dept and
Mardean Huggler, former UMB graduate student reading
from their own poetry. Public Service Office, Library
F1-4 10:30am.

HEALTH INFO BOOTH/Repeat 3/3.

● THUR 3/5

LECTURE/"Perturbation to Aquatic Ecosystems" by
Patricia Lane, Environmental Biologist from Dalhousie U.
Sponsored by Biology Dept. Build II F1-1 Rm 209 2:30pm.

SYMPOSIUM/"Cultural Perspectives on Food and Nutrition"
First of two-part series sponsored by Anthropology Dept.
Small Science Audi Science Build 2:30pm.

● FUTURE

3/13 Deadline to submit information to Office of Public
Information about campus events open to the public in
April and May to be distributed to the off-campus media.
Distribution is scheduled for 27 Mar.

LISTING EVENTS IN EXTERNAL MEDIA

The Office of Public Information (OPI) will distri-
bute information about campus events which are open to
the public, such as films, theatre, exhibits and workshops,
to the external media every two months. To make certain
your event is included in the next listing, please send
the details about those scheduled in April and May to OPI
no later than 13 Mar. OPI will distribute the listing to
the external media by 27 Mar.

SHORELINES DEADLINES & DISTRIBUTION

ShoreLines deadlines and distribution dates for
the remainder of the spring term are as follows:
Mar: deadlines on 2 & 13 for distribution on 10 & 24;
April: deadlines on 6 & 17 for distribution on 14 & 28; and
May: deadlines on 4 & 18 for distribution on 12 & 26.

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