Lisa Schneider authored the study, which was published April 21 in Psychotherapy and Psychosomatics, a leading medical journal in Europe. A number of UMass Boston students participated in this first-of-its-kind study, according to Cosgrove. Over a year and a half, the team researched the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) panel members and their financial ties to pharmaceutical companies. Before this study, no one had looked at the financial ties between the DSM panel members and the drug companies, according to Cosgrove.

Lisa Cosgrove is the lead author of a study that finds more than half of the panel members for the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders have financial ties to pharmaceutical companies. (Photo by Harry Brett)
Chancellor Collins Tells Audience That UMass Boston Is “For Real”

(Cont. from page 1) students here at UMass Boston, I say ‘Congratulations,’ you have a terrific leader and a bright future.” Senate president and UMass Boston alumnus Travaglini added, “I’m excited: the energy between the board of higher education, the chemistry on the campuses, as evidenced by the athletes here today, and Michael’s performance up to this point in time is clearly worthy of our continued investing in a system that I think is going to reap tremendous dividends very shortly.”

The University of Massachusetts Board of Trustees was represented by Chair James J. Karam, Vice Chair Karl E. White, Dennis G. Austin, William E. Kennedy, Robert M. Mahoney, Robert B. McCarthy, William T. O’Shea, Stacey R. Rainey, and Robert K. Sheridan. Chair Stephen Tocco and Chancellor Judith Gill represented the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education.

After the Chamber Singers presented the fanfare Sabuwona! (I See You!) by Professor David Patterson of the Music Department, University of Massachusetts Board Chair Karam read the charge of office, and UMass President Wilson placed the medallion of office upon Chancellor Collins, who was flanked by Mayor Menino and Senate President Travaglini. Collins then delivered his inaugural address, in which he identified the fundamental aspects of an ideal education: dedicated, respected teachers; a robust exposure to the liberal arts; inspiring minds and lives; enthusiastic mentors; established common ground; and adequate funding.

“UMass Boston is for real, people: We are for students who really want to learn, for teachers and scholars who really are superior, for employees who really are exceptionally skilled; our courses are really rigorous, our graduates are prepared for the real world, and, soon, our physical campus will be in really beautiful condition, reflecting, finally, the real distinction within it,” said Chancellor Collins to resounding applause.

“I have truly enjoyed my interactions with so many members of the UMass Boston community, often discussing their opinions about what we could do together to make this an ideal university,” said Chancellor Collins. “I expect these conversations to deepen and to carry on for years to come as we make strides in realizing our shared goals and in reexamining the effectiveness of this university and the various obligations of our urban mission.”

Campus Spring Picnic

Though the wind was chilly, the sun was shining brightly on UMass Boston’s front soccer field filled with faculty and staff, their families, and friends at the Campus Spring Picnic, held on Saturday, April 29. There was a wide array of activities to choose from—good eats at the tented barbecue; fun for kids at a face-painting station, a mini-golf course, and a basketball shoot-off; softball and lacrosse games for the competitive spirit; and an opportunity to lip-sync and jive to the “Dance Heads” video. Others went on the water for one of the harbor tours offered. (Photos by Harry Brett and Richard Howard)

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UMass Boston Hosts 3rd Annual Student Scholarship Gala to Cap a Week of “Inspiration. Achievement. Celebration.”

By Ed Hayward

UMass Boston’s 3rd Annual Student Scholarship Gala capped a week-long celebration by raising more than $400,000 during a night featuring a twilight tasting of food from area restaurants, silent auction, and an elegant dinner performance by Eileen Ivers & Immigrant Soul on Saturday, April 29.

The evening started off with Tasting on the Point, where guests enjoyed Campus Center views of Dorchester Bay, bid on silent auction items, and tasted selections from the menus of area restaurants Aura, Burton’s Grill, C.F. Donovan’s, Fratelli’s Bakery, Kashmie, La Paloma, Pho Hoa, Poppa B’s and the UMass Club. A dinner attended by 500 friends of the university followed in the ballroom, where Ivers and her band performed for the audience.

“The support for UMass Boston was overwhelming and our students will benefit from the generosity of our sponsors and donors,” said Darrell Byers, vice chancellor for institutional advancement. “Many of our neighbors in Dorchester and South Boston, as well as communities throughout the area, helped to make the Student Scholarship Gala a huge success.”


The highlight of the speaking program featured undergraduates Michael Metzger ’08 and Catherine Reyes ’06, who shared stories of what scholarship meant to them in their academic pursuits.

The gala guest list included University of Massachusetts president Jack M. Wilson; UMass trustees Elrick, MD ’82 (honorary event co-chair), president and CEO, Mount Washington Bank; Mabbett ’69 (honorary event co-chair), senior vice president for advancement, Massachusetts General Hospital; Boston City Councilor Maureen Feeney; Arthur Kennedy (honorary event co-chair), senior vice president for community relations; and Harry Duvall, executive director of the South Boston Boys and Girls Club.

Proceeds from the gala will support undergraduate and graduate scholarships. UMass Boston awards nearly $5 million in need-based aid and scholarships. Combined with student loan programs, the campus currently meets nearly 90 percent of the need for students who demonstrate need.

Kanye West Gives Private Concert for Students and Community

By Leigh DuPuy

Six-time Grammy winner Kanye West gave a private concert for 3,000 students and the UMass Boston community on April 26 at the university’s Clark Athletic Center. The hip-hop sensation came to campus as part of the university’s week-long “Inspiration. Achievement. Celebration” program.

Prior to the show, West did a meet-and-greet with students, faculty, and staff, and took the stage shortly before 9:00 p.m. in an energetic, highly-produced performance, West played a full set of songs from his two best-selling albums, “The College Dropout” and “Late Registration,” including “Diamonds,” “Drive Slow,” “We Don’t Care,” as well as a number of covers.

West delighted the crowd when he changed from his usual concert wear into a UMass Boston shirt, ending the night wearing the familiar gray-and-blue athletics tee. (Photo by Harry Brett)
Symposia Highlight the Best of UMass Boston

The university sponsored nearly 20 academic symposia as part of UMass Boston’s “Inspiration. Achievement. Celebration” week-long program, April 24 – 28. Of those, each college sponsored symposia to highlight UMass Boston’s role in local and global communities. Here are snapshots of these events:

College of Management Symposium: Urban Leadership

Calling out for a new vision for the City of Boston, community leader Hubie Jones said that “our challenge is to build a culture of collaboration” at an April 25 symposium.

“Urban leaders need to be connectors,” said Jones, scholar, activist, and former special assistant to the chancellor for urban affairs at UMass Boston. “What is the glue that holds us together? Opportunity made possible by public amenities and private philanthropy.”

He was joined by a panel of alumni from the Emerging Leaders Program, moderated by Professor of Leadership Sherry H. Penney; that included: Eduardo Crespo ’72; R.J. Donofrio, MBA ’98; Joseph Morrissey ’05; and Mary Truong ’92.

Office of Graduate Studies: On Apology

UMass Medical School Chancellor Aaron Lazarus, MD, said that the act of apology is an “unappreciated human behavior” that has assumed greater importance in an increasingly crowded 21st century society at an April 25 symposium.

Lazarus said offering an apology can help relieve the humiliation felt by someone who has been wronged in some way. “The only cure for humiliation is apology. An apology says ‘I wasn’t you who was the fool. It was me.’ It is the only good way to restore human dignity following humiliation,” he said.

Lazarus was joined by a panel consisting of UMass Boston’s Paul Bookbinder, Robert Weiner, Lynne Tirrell, and Clementina Chery of the Louis D. Brown Peace Foundation in Boston.

College of Science and Mathematics: A Survey of 100 Years of Light Quanta

Rory J. Glauber, a winner of the 2005 Nobel Prize for Physics and Mallinckrodt Professor of Physics at Harvard University, delivered a short history of human understanding of light and light energy at the April 26 symposium.

“This science is well-developed,” said Glauber, “but it does not proceed through a systematic logic, which is the image of science many people have. Sometimes science advances through mistakes and inadvertencies, many of which are of great value.”

He was joined by a panel of College of Science and Mathematic faculty: Benjamin R. Mollow, D.V.G.L.N. Rao, Gregory Sun, Marc Pomplum, William Hagar, and Juanta Urban-Rich.

McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies: The Role of Social Movements in Policy Development

Scholars of race, welfare, and public policy joined experts in media and government affairs to discuss social movements and policy development at an April 27 symposium.

Gerald Torres, the 2006 Robert C. Wood Visiting Professor, drew examples from his work as a legal advocate and community builder fighting for education rights in Texas, where he is now at the University of Texas at Austin. He focused on rule shifting and law making, pointing to their shared goals to: create a new standard of behavior; change relationships and create a basis of enforcing those relationships; recognize rights and remedies; and ultimately change the conduct of public and private actors.

City University of New York’s Frances Fox Piven talked about the transformative power of popular movements. She cited the role of the “mob” during the American Revolution, as well as “pioneering movements” including the abolitionist movement; the employment protests of the Great Depression; the feminist, environmental, and gay rights, as well as the Civil Rights and anti-war movements of the 1950s and 60s.

They were joined by moderators Sarah-Ash Shaw and a panel made up of Yawu Miller of the Bay State Banner; and UMass Boston professor Miren Urriarte and graduate student Jennifer Raymond.

College of Public and Community Service: The Future of Work: The Labor Movement’s Role in Workforce Development

AFL-CIO advocate Nancy Mills spoke of the role of labor, public education, and tax dollars in workforce development at the April 26 symposium.

“Our bottom line is that any job that is producing something of value for society is a job that is one that should sustain a family,” said Mills, executive director of the AFL-CIO Working For America Institute. “Work must pay enough to sustain a family.”

“How do we empower workers to be active participants in their future and not just consumers of a training program?” posed Endicott Eckstein, vice-president of 1199 SEIU United Healthcare Workers East, who participated in the program.

Graduate College of Education: Eliminate the Achievement Gap

Carolyn Stone called for teamwork, challenging the status quo, and using the power of data to help school counselors to eliminate the achievement or “opportunity” gaps during an April 26 symposium.

“School counselors are responsible for the educational climate,” said Stone, who has been a counselor educator since 1995 at the University of North Florida. She underscored the ways in which schools do not provide equal opportunity for its students. “Education is the single institution that is supposed to level the playing field, and yet we continue to see that kids with low socioeconomic backgrounds are given fewer resources,” she said.

“Equity and access is the key” to questioning the status quo, said Stone.

College of Liberal Arts: Inspiration and Creativity

With humor and inspirational tales of serendipity, four alumni from the College of Liberal Arts shared personal stories of career success at an April 27 symposium.

“We may have learned in geometry that the shortest distance between two points is a straight line,” said Philip Levendusky ’68, vice president for network development and director of the Psychology Department and Psychology Training at McLean Hospital. “That’s one of the biggest lies. It’s certainly not the richest way to go between two points. The crooked line is the richest way—and the liberal arts degree is a personification of that.”

Dianne Finch ’91, writer and freelance public radio producer; Santa Izticuap ’75, principal for prime time development; MA-GNA Global Entertainment; and Lauren Craig Redmond ’00, partner, Redmond & Corbo LLP, also shared their stories.

College of Nursing and Health Sciences: There Are No Impossible Dreams!

Lois E. Silverman, the first woman chair of Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, shared the details of her journey from orphanage to nursing student to running her own business at an April 28 symposium.

Orphaned at a young age, Silverman spoke of the difference that a $100 scholarship made in her life by allowing her to attend nursing school. “The help I got from that scholarship—it is the basis of all good things that happened in my life,” she said. “Giving back is my life’s blood.”

Silverman’s career includes founding CRA Managed Care and The Commonwealth Institute.
By Lisa Gentes

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"Cooley is a visible figure, known for his notions of the looking-glass tradition of symbolic interactionism, according to Jacobs. He believes that the biography helps give Cooley "his rightful place" in American sociology history.

Conflict-of-Interest Study (cont.)

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"Our ultimate hope would be that the FDA does not allow people to provide expert testimony if they have financial ties to a pharmaceutical company," she said. "Receiving financial support shouldn't automatically disqualify someone from serving on [the panel of the DSM] but the public has a right to know about these jobs," she said.

The study has received widespread coverage in the media, including articles in the New York Times, Washington Post, Chicago Tribune, Bloomberg News, Salt Lake City Tribune, and ABC Science Online.

Cosgrove's work has also attracted the attention of colleagues in her field. She recently received the Christine Ladd Franklin award at the 31st annual conference of the Association for Women in Psychology for her work in psychology and for the association.
Professor Connie Chan of the College of Public and Community Service (CPCS) presented the invited address “Sexuality and Cultural Constructions for Mental Health” to the Asian American Medical Association’s New England Regional conference, held in Boston in April.

In April, Yuan-Ping (Bong) Chen, the Frank J. Manning Emmett Scholar’s Chair in Gerontology, gave the talk “2005 White House Conference on Aging: Reflections of a Delegate” to the Multicultural Coalition on Aging of Greater Boston and to Sigma Phi Omega, the National Honor Society in Gerontology.

Professor Michael B. Chesnon of the History Department spoke on the First Battle of Bull Run at the Civil War Reenactment Table of Coastal Georgia, held on St. Simon’s Island on March 28.

Linda Dittmar and Pamela Annas, professors of English, co-edited a special issue of the journal Radical Teacher “Teaching in Time of War.” In April, Dittmar hosted a public screening and discussion of the Palestinian-Israeli/Dutch documentary film Arna’s Children with director Juliano Mer Khamis.

English MA student and teaching intern Mark Earley presented the paper “Webblogs, English 101, and Beyond: Creating and Forming a Dialogic Space for Writing Students” at the Teaching and Learning with Technology Conference and at the Conference on Writing Teaching and Technology.

Jacqueline Fawcett, professor of nursing, made several presentations to faculty and graduate students as a visiting professor at the University of North Carolina-Greensboro in April, including “Medical-Surgical Nursing Knowledge: The Myths and the Reality” and “Dialogue on Nursing Theory.”

The first annual COSEE-NE community conference, Partnerships in Ocean Science Education—New England (COSEE-NE), was held on March 4 at UMass Boston. Kim Frasure, PhD candidate in the Environmental, Earth, and Ocean Sciences (EEOS) Department, helped to organize the program. EEOS professor Bob Chen is the principal investigator for the COSEE-NE NSF grant that funded COSEE-NE.

Dale Freeman, digital resources archivist at the Healey Library, recently presented the lecture “Melancholy Catastrophe of 1801: The Story of Jason Fairbanks and Elizabeth Fales” at the Dedham Public Library.

Joan Garity, associate professor in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences (CNHS), gave a presentation on differences in grief and loss of the Alzheimer family caregiver at the annual meeting of the Alzheimer’s Association’s Massachusetts Chapter, held on May 3.

On March 7, Robert C. Hayden, CPCS lecturer, inaugurated the William Monroe Trotter Institute’s “Tuesday Series” with the talk “Writing African American History: Issues and Challenges.”

Peter Kang, professor of education and director of the Asian American Studies Program, was a panelist for the Awhok Education Forum, held at The Graduate School of Education at Harvard University on March 5. Kang also spoke on “Asian American Issues in the Boston School System” at the sixth Annual Fund Education Forum.


While visiting Israel, Professor David Matze of the Graduate Program in Dispute Resolution, gave four lectures examining the U.S. legal practice and the use of mediation for the Israel Bar Association; the limitations of mediation for the Israel Academic Research Institute for Conflict Resolution; four major mistakes found in mediation literature for the College of Management Academic Studies; and courts as case settlers for the University of Haifa Programs for Judges.

Director of Creative Writing, Askold Melyuchen introduced UMass Boston student Matsep Wal at Pen-New England’s annual discovery night at the John F. Kennedy Library.

Dorothy Shubow Nelson, lecturer in the English Department, presented “Where Are the Indigenous Voices?” to the Society for American Archaeology annual meeting, held in Philadelphia in March.

In April, NERCHE director John Soares, with COORE lecturer Dwight Giles and Asian American Studies Program director Peter Kang, co-led the workshop “Research Design and Documentation of the Scholarship of Engagement” at the Northeast Regional Campus Compact.

On March 17, Lloyd Southwest, the Frederick S. Troy Professor of English, opened the Green Mountain Film Festival in Montpelier, Vermont, with the talk “Classical Music in the Movies.” He also recently taught a master class, “Reading One’s Own Work Aloud,” at the New School.

Stephen Silliman, assistant professor of anthropology, presented the paper “Materializing Social Identity, Past and Present” at the Society for American Archaeology annual meeting, held in San Juan, Puerto Rico, in April.

Mohammad H. Tamdgidi, assistant professor of sociology, presented the paper “Middle Eastern Insights into Anzaldúa’s Utopic and Quotant Imaginaries: Toward New Agenda” at the Third Annual Multicultural Symposium, held at Stanford University in March.

Professor Joyce Peraefo, Distinguished Lecturer in English and Poet-in-Residence, chaired the panel “Jane Kenyon—Her Life and Art” at the annual meeting of the Associated Writing Programs. She also gave a reading with poet Donald Hall for a tribute to Kenyon, held at the Concord Poetry Center.

Laural E. Radwin, associate professor of nursing, presented “Reconceptualizing Desired Health Outcomes of Patient Centered Cancer Nursing Care” at a Phyllis Cantor Center Brown Bag session, held at Dana Farber/Harvard Cancer Center Nursing Program in Development.

On March 28, Paige Ramsford, research associate at the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy (CWPPP), participated in a panel with John Black, Boston University, and Linda Epstein, University of Massachusetts, and presented the paper “The Three Monkeys Meet The Atrocity Paradigm: Epistemic Reconsiderations of Forbearance, Intolerable Harm.”

Pamela Annas, professor of English and director of the English MA Program, has published the fourth edition of Literature and Society: An Introduction to Fiction, Poetry, Drama, Nonfiction with Macmillan. She was a speaker on “Sexual Identity in Literature” at the Multicultural Awareness Week at Boston College, held on May 3. On April 15, Lynne Tittell, associate professor of philosophy, spoke on something and evil at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. She presented the paper “The Three Monkeys Meet The Atrocity Paradigm: Epistemic Reconsiderations of Forbearance, Intolerable Harm.”


Professor Yuan-Ping (Bong) Chen published two articles in the journal of Aging: “Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)” with Leon W. Klad and “Home Equity Conversion” with Richard W. McGonaghy.

Susan DeSantos-Madya, assistant professor of nursing, published the article “The Meaning of Living with Spinal Cord Injury 5 to 10 Years After The Injury” in April in the Western Journal of Nursing Research. CNHS’s Laural E. Radwin, along with Michael Wilkes and current and former research assistants Linda Curtin, Christine Saba, Lisa Tracey, Joanne Garvey, John Whithouse, Camille Sanabria, Amber Schantz, Liliana Teixeira, Mary Hackel, and Kim Willis, published the abstract “Enhancing Patients’ Trust in Oncology Nursing Care: A Challenge for Nursing Leaders” in March’s Oncology Nursing Forum.

The poem “Leaves” by Lloyd Schwartz, the Frederick S. Troy Professor of English, was reprinted in the fourth edition of Literature and Society: An Introduction to Fiction, Poetry, Drama, Nonfiction with Macmillan. He was a speaker on “Sexual Identity in Literature” at the Multicultural Awareness Week at Boston College, held on May 3. On April 15, Lynne Tittell, associate professor of philosophy, spoke on something and evil at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. She presented the paper “The Three Monkeys Meet The Atrocity Paradigm: Epistemic Reconsiderations of Forbearance, Intolerable Harm.”

Joseph Tótia, lecturer in the English Department, published a memoir, “Boston Boom Boom,” in the literary journal The Poem.

The Department of Counseling and School Psychology’s Felicia Wilczenski and Rebecca Schumacher published the article “Giving and Growing: Service-Learning Applications in School Counseling” in the March/April School Counselor. Wilczenski is a first-year graduate student.


EXHIBITS, PERFORMANCES, AND RECORDINGS

In Memoriam Message by David Patterson of the Performing Arts Department was selected for a reading and by the New England Council of the Wind Ensemble under the direction of Charles Peltz on April 21. Patterson studied at the Paris Conservatory with Olivier Messiaen, who is remembered for his love of birdsong.

Brian Thompson, professor of French, organized four concerts with visiting French singer-French, organized four concerts, presented a wind reading and recording by the New England Conservatory Wind Ensemble, and organized four concerts, presented a wind reading and recording by the New England Conservatory Wind Ensemble.


Professor Chukwuma Azuonye was awarded the Andrew Mellon Fellowship for a preliminary study of Chagall at the Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center at the University of Texas at Austin for the summer of 2006. He was chosen as a fellow of the W. E. B. Du Bois Institute at Harvard University for the duration of his forthcoming sabbatical leave, September 2006 to July 2007. There, Azuonye will complete his project “Christopher Okigbo at Work: A Study of the Manuscripts and Drafts of His Previously Unpublished Papers.”

Professor Jeff Dukes of the Biology Department received a CAREER Award from the National Science Foundation to fund his proposal “The Boston-Area Climate Expermient.” The five-year research project has a budget of $623,000.

CNHS’s Kathleen Golden McAndrew served as faculty during the two-week National Drug Recognition Program’s study of international relations.

Lucia Mayersson-David and the Institute for Learning and Teaching are the recipients of a new grant from the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation for the amount of $110,000 for support of the Associated and Gifted Mentoring PIANAS Mentoring Program. This grant is one of five selected for a 2006 innovation fund grant.

College of Management professor Jeff Koser is a co-recipient of a grant from the U.S. Department of Energy to study alternative technology.

Peter Kiang and Sophia Kim, instructor of Asian American Studies, have been awarded a $7,000 contract by the Brookline Public Schools’ superintendent through the Division of Corporate and Continuing Education to provide a professional development graduate course, “Teaching and Learning in Asian American Studies,” for Brookline Public Schools teachers and administrators.

The American Studies Program has received a grant of $28,173 from the Barr Foundation to conduct research about Asian immigrant parent participation in the Boston Public Schools. The collaborative research team includes: Peter Kiang, Laura Lo, Kunthary Thaj-Adison, Tri Quach, Chu Le, Druvn Nguyen, Jennifer Nguyen, Malo Hatano, Soramy Le, and Victoria Yue.

Glass Disowned, a film by Pepi Leaistaya of Applied Linguistics, was screened at the Silver Lake Film Festival, held in Hollywood. Leaistaya participated in a Q&A session following the screening. The film was also selected for the Das Globalisierungskrimi Film Festival in Berlin and for Fired Up Films, sponsored by Muhlenberg College. Leaistaya was interviewed on WMUA and on the nationally aired Bread and Roses program.

Professor Patrick O’Neil and Elizabeth O’Neil of the Computer Science Department received a grant for doctoral student support from the National Science Foundation. This grant has been selected as a 2006 Fellow of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP). She will be inducted during the AANP national conference in June.

Kathleen Golden McAndrew, assistant vice chancellor of student affairs, executive director for health services, and clinical assistant professor of nursing, has been selected as a 2006 Fellow of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP). She will be inducted during the AANP national conference in June.

The American Studies Program’s Gulf Coast Research Team, including students Phuong T. Nguyen, Jennifer Nguyen, Catherine Tran, Judy Mai, Nam Quach, Chu Ly, Dzung Nguyen, Kunthary Thai-Johnson, Tri Revere, and Lynn, expanding and profiting from the Boston Public Schools’ superintendent’s study of international relations.

The graduate public policy programs of Zayed University, Croataia, announced that Charles F. Cnudde, senior fellow in the Center for Democracy and Development and professor of political science, will lead its international program on U.S. policy toward the South Eastern European region this summer. Cnudde’s travel will be funded by a grant from the U.S. State Department.

Kristin Mallick, research analyst with the Urban Harbors (UHI), and Lisa Bowen, a graduate student with UHI, have been selected to serve as staff members for the Government Coastal Hazards Commission.

A dissertation by Professor Connie Chan of CPRS was elected to a three-year term (2006-2009) on the national ethics committee of the American Psychological Association.

CM named George Kassas MBA ’85 of Cedar Point Communications as its Distinguished Alumnus for 2006. Kassas will receive the award on May 30 when he addresses graduating students at CMV’s convocation.

EVENTS

On March 24, the Center on Media and Society of the McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies hosted the “Future of Ethnic News Business” conference. Speakers included State Representative Linda Dorcena Forry; Bill Formy of Reporter Newspapers; Chay Dowlahy of the Patriot Ledger; Pat Purcell of the Boston Herald; John Roe of the Boston Globe; Javier Mariaen of El Planeta; Charles Kraeves of New England Cable News; Adam Smith of Sampan; Ric Oliveira of WGBH; and Dominado El Latino Expresso; and others.

Scholar Phyllis Krikke presented “Beyond-Brand-Aids: Conflict Management in the U.S. Health Care System” for the Graduate Programs in Dispute Resolution’s 2006 Benjamin and Sylvia Moskoff Lecture in Dispute Resolution.

DISSERTATIONS

Sheilie Simons successfully defended her dissertation, “Workplace Bullying Among Newly Licensed Nurses in the United States: The Relationship and the Relationship to Intention to Leave the Organization,” to earn a PhD in nursing.

MISCELLANEOUS

Professor Connie Chan of CPRS ran her 15th consecutive Boston marathon on April 17.

IN THE NEWS

Darrell Byers, vice chancellor for institutional advancement, was quoted on the results of fund-raising efforts on campus in an April 6 Dorchester Reporter article.

Professor Jim Green’s new book Death in the Haremmarket was reviewed by the New York Times on May 7 and recently in the National, Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun Times, New York Sun, Tucson Citizen and San Diego Union Tribune. He was interviewed on NPR’s “All Things Considered” program, which aired on April 29 and May 7.

In March, CWPPPS’s Paige Ramford was quoted in the Worcester Telegram and Gazette on incarcerated women and the effects on their families.

Paul Hayes Tucker, professor of art and director of Arts on the Point, was featured in the Boston Globe and the Seattle Post Intelligencer in April for his work as curator of the Seattle exhibit “DoubleTake: From Monet to Lichtenstein.”
The Calendar of Events is published monthly by the Office of University Communications and Community Relations. All events are open to the public and free, unless otherwise noted. From off campus, dial (617) 28 and the last five digits below each event.

Submit June calendar listings by Thursday, May 18, to umb.edu/news/calendar/.

Monday 8
Department of Environmental, Earth and Ocean Sciences Seminar Series
2:30 – 4:00 p.m., Science Center, Small Science Auditorium, 1-086. Featuring Angela Esteves, Erika Delcastillo, and Anne Isham. Contact: 7-5840 or linda.jorgensen@umb.edu.

Critical and Creative Thinking Presentations, Synthesis Projects by Graduating Students
6:45 – 9:15 p.m., McCormick Hall, Room 628. Contact: www.ccat.umb.edu/synth06.html or pete.smay@umb.edu.

Tuesday 9
Retirees Luncheon
12:00 – 2:00 p.m., Campus Center, Alumni Lounge. Sponsored by the Department of Human Resources. Contact: 7-3130.

Yoga for All
2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Tuesdays, McCormick Hall, Beacon Fitness Center AeroBox Room, 1st Floor. Mixed-level Kripalu yoga class, open to all. Yoga mats will be provided. Wear loose, comfortable clothing. Students: free. Faculty and staff: $5.00. Contact: 7-5840 or linda.jorgensen@umb.edu.

Wednesday 10
Spring semester classes end

Wednesday 11
Department of Environmental, Earth and Ocean Sciences Seminar Series: Responses and Feedbacks to Global Environmental Change: A Grassland Perspective

The Watermark Book Release Party
2:30 – 8:00 p.m., Campus Center, Ballroom, 3rd fl. Party for UMass Boston’s literary magazine The Watermark. Contact: 7-7951.

Thursday 11
Study period through May 14
Mindfulness Meditation Group
2:30 – 3:00 p.m., McCormick Hall, Interfaith Chapel, 3rd Chapel. A mindfulness meditation group open to all. No prior experience required. Sponsored by University Health Services. Contact: 7-5624 or lauren.mayhew@umb.edu.

Friday 12
OLU Brown Bag Lunch Series: Ending Human Tracking
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., McCormick Hall, 2-417. Sponsored by the Gerontology Institute. Contact: 7-7091.

Writer’s Circle
4:00 – 5:30 p.m., Campus Center, 2nd Floor, Student Media Center. Gathering of creative writers devoted in both poetry and fiction. Anyone is welcome to submit their work for criticism, or just to get a sense of how the work is read by an audience. Contact: startek@hot.com.

Saturday 13
Diversity in Motion
8:00 p.m., McCormick Hall, McCormick Theater, 2nd fl. Performance and choreography by UMass Boston dance faculty and students. General admission: $10. Students and seniors with ID: $5. Contact: 7-6440 or angela.papercise@umb.edu.

Monday 15
Final exams: May 15 – 19

OLU Spring Workshops: Irish Emigration and History
10:00 – 11:30 a.m., Wheateely Hall, studies lounge, 4-0148. Sponsored by the Gerontology Institute. Contact: 7-7322.

Tuesday 16
ITC Workshop: No Static: Part 1: Creating a Dynamic E-Learning Space
2:00 – 5:00 p.m., Conference Center, Alumni Lounge, 2nd fl. Sponsored by the Department of Biology. Contact: 7-6600.

Wednesday 17
EO-Tours of UMass Boston
3:30 – 4:00 p.m., Wednesdays, Campus Center, off cartwalk, 2nd fl. Learn more about UMass Boston’s eco-friendly practices such as green buildings, energy efficiency, recycling, composting, and biodigester bags. Take the eco-tour and learn how you are part of an environmentally responsible campus community. RSVP to 7-5083 or umbe.green@umb.edu.

Thursday 18
Mauricio Gastón Institute for Latino Community Development and Public Policy Speaker Series
1:00 – 2:30 p.m., Campus Center, 3rd fl. Contact: 7-7571.

Friday 19
CPCS Celebration of Graduates
7:00 – 9:00 p.m., McCormick Hall, Ryan Lounge, 3rd fl. All graduates and their guests, faculty, staff and friends of CPCS are invited. The dean’s award for academic excellence and the community service award will be presented and each graduate will have an opportunity to speak of their CPCS experience. The UMass Jazz band will play and refreshments will be served. Contact: 7-7044 or susanne.sandanger@lawlibrary.org.

Tuesday 23
Biography and Biochemistry Honors Presentations
6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Campus Center, Alumni Lounge, 2nd fl. Sponsored by the Mauricio Gastón Institute for Latino Community Development and Public Policy. Contact: 7-5791.

Wednesday 24
MS in Human Services Graduation Celebration
5:30 – 8:30 p.m., Campus Center, University Dining Club, 2nd fl. Contact: 7-6324.

Thursday 25
Urban Scholars Drama Class Performance
7:00 – 9:30 p.m., Science Center, Lipke Auditorium, 2nd fl. Contact: 7-5830.

Friday, June 2
UMass Boston Golf Classic
8:00 a.m., Franklin Park Golf Course. 20th Annual Golf Classic. Shotgun start. Hosted by the Department of Athletics. Visit the Golf Classic link on the department’s website for registration form: www.umb.edu.

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Miscellaneous
Beacon Fitness Center
McCormick Hall, 1st fl. Open to UMass Boston students, alumni, staff, and faculty. Programs offered include personal training, aerobics classes, massage therapy, orientations and fitness assessments, among other services. Hours through May 26, 2006: Monday – Thursday: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. Friday: 6:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday: 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Contact: www.umb.edu/beacon/index.htm.

Campus Ministry
Offerings include interfaith Bible study, Grief Support Group, The Power of Now Brown Bag Lunch series, prayer and workshop opportunities, gospel choir club, Catholic Campus Ministry, Islamic Campus Ministry, Jewish Student Campus Ministry, Master of Student Campus Ministry, Protestant Campus Ministry. Contact: www.umb.edu/students/campus_ministry.

Instructional Technology Center (ITC)
Interested in expanding your technol­ogy horizons? Visit the ITC website at www.itc.umb.edu or contact: 7-2990.

Tuesday Harbor Cruises
June 21 - September 12:00 - 1:55 p.m., Fox Point Dock. Cruise around the Boston Harbor Islands aboard the MY Hurricane. Free with a current and valid UMass ID and $5.00 without. Tickets given on a first-come, first-served basis. No reservations required. Contact: 7-5404.

WUMB 91.9 FM Commonwealth Journal
Sunday: 7:00 p.m. Interviews with scholars, writers, and public officials examining current issues of interest to the people of Massachusetts. Contact: 7-6900.