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# News & Views

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## Briefly . . .

UMass/Boston won its first national athletic championship at Bates College when the women's track team captured the Division III Indoor title with a 13-member team that included nine freshmen. No one competed in the field events.

A 1-2-3 sweep in the 400-meter run by Murtanda Durant, Genesie Eddins and Donna Bogues was a key factor in the meet. Captain Ann Brissett, an All-American hurdler last season, won the triple jump and Michelle Williams won another first for UMB with a victory in the 55-meter hurdles. UMB amassed 50 points to Cortland State's 41 and Colby's 22.

Professor James Turner has just published a book with the John Hopkins University Press: *Without God, Without Creed: The Origins of Unbelief in America*.

The book is an insightful examination of the historical and social context surrounding the change that occurred in religious belief in the 19th century. Until the middle of the 19th century, atheism and agnosticism were viewed in Western society as bizarre aberrations.

Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan will be one of six awardees honored at the Second Annual Freedom House Education Conference. A luncheon will be held April 17.

Lt. Albert J. Sweeney, who returned to the Boston Police Department, as superintendent in charge of Internal Affairs, is a UMass/Boston graduate, Class of '69, as is his wife Wendy. Sweeney served over two years as deputy MBTA police chief. He's 37 and a Wakefield resident.

## Rev. Jesse Jackson electrifies a full house at UMass/Boston



Rev. Jesse Jackson delivered a spellbinding address at UMass/Boston's Harbor Campus.

Rev. Jesse Jackson sounded like a man running for the presidency—again. Rev. Jackson delivered a spellbinding address at UMass/Boston on the 17th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The large Science Auditorium was jam-packed with an overflow audience hearing the talk via loudspeakers. The event marked the opening in a series marking the dedication of John W. McCormack Hall, named in honor of the late speaker of the United States House of Representatives.

Rev. Jackson's appearance was sponsored by the McCormack Institute of Public Affairs, directed by Dr. Edmund Beard who, along with Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan, made introductory remarks.

Rev. Jackson paid a nice tribute to the memories of Dr. King and Congressman McCormack before launching into a major address that covered a variety of topics. A sampling:

“Once we (blacks) were able to meet with the President, but not with Governor (George) Wallace. Twenty years later we were able to meet with Governor Wallace—but not with the President . . .”

• “Blacks are the centerpiece of the oppressed of this society. We must not accept this position . . .”

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Professor Harold Wolozin (Economics) has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Association for Evolutionary Economics. AFEE is an international organization. Recently Prof. Wolozin gave a workshop presentation at the Annual Planning Conference of Aging at Mount Holyoke College.

An enthusiastic audience heard Professor Lawrence Berman of the Music Dept. give a recital featuring works of Haydn, Brahms, Scriabin and Debussy in the McCormack Theatre. Professor Berman has performed throughout the

United States and Canada and has recently completed a book, *The Musical Image: A Theory of Content*.

If you missed it recently, Foster Furcolo, a former governor of Massachusetts, Congressman and long-time advocate of public education, stepped down from the state Board of Regents of Higher Education.

Furcolo, a 73 year-old Democrat, served as state treasurer and a U.S. Congressman in the 1950s and served two terms as governor from 1957-61. He told the board he no longer had time to serve.

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# Rev. Jesse Jackson delivers address at UMass/Boston

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were able to meet with Governor Wallace—but not with the President . . .”

• “The voting rights act of 1965 has been miscast as a black voting rights act. The fact is it was inspired by the leadership of blacks, but affected more whites than blacks . . .”

• “We can register every black voter in the nation, and it will be ineffective unless the voting rights legislation is enforced . . . In many ways the right to vote was an illusion. Even with registration, in the 10 states from Virginia across to Texas, where 53 percent of the nation’s black population resides, there is just one black congressman out of 115—20 years later.”

Rev. Jackson discussed a recent visit to the farmers in Minnesota . . . “homes destroyed, desperate, men and women’s lives disrupted. We marched, 3,000 strong, some driving \$80,000 tractors with Reagan-Bush decals on the bumpers . . . and they were following Jesse Jackson.”

He talked of his youth and his mother, who was unable to vote, as she discussed General Dwight Eisenhower’s candidacy for President when Rev. Jackson was 11 years old . . . “My momma said ‘right man—wrong party.’”

Rev. Jackson talked on the “lack of dreams” in youth possessed by drugs and alcohol and said: “We must remove the dark options and give genuine hope” to them.

He also discussed “development zones” that should be opened encouraging investment and noted “some 9,000 corporations made a profit and paid no Federal income taxes.”

His talk was interrupted many times by applause and at the conclusion he received a standing ovation.



UMass/Boston’s Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan greeted Rev. Jesse Jackson before his address at the Large Science Auditorium. At left is Mrs. Joyce Corrigan, applauding.



A jam-packed audience greeted Rev. Jackson as he spoke on the occasion of the 17th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. More than 500 were in attendance with an overflow crowd hearing the address via loudspeakers.



Dr. Edmund Beard, director of UMB’s John W. McCormack Institute of Public Affairs, with Rev. Jackson.

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## Anne Bernays teaching creative writing at UMB



Anne Bernays

Author Anne Bernays of Cambridge is current Visiting Writer at UMass/Boston. She teaches a course in creative writing.

Since 1959, Ms. Bernays has been a Cambridge resident with her Pulitzer Prize-winning biographer and literary historian husband Justin Kaplan.

Ms. Bernays is the author of many books, the most recent *The Address Book* (Little, Brown, 1983) and, perhaps her most celebrated, *Growing Up Rich*, which *Time* magazine called "a brilliantly written, hard-edged novel of adolescence."

Edward L. Bernays, 93, her father, is recognized as "The Father of Public Relations" in America. He was the advisor to many U.S. Presidents and is the nephew of the late Sigmund Freud.

Bernays was born and brought up in New York City. She attended The Brearley School in New York City, Wellesley College and Barnard College, from where she obtained a B.A. degree in 1952.

She has served as managing editor of *Discovery* magazine, on the editorial department at Houghton Mifflin Co., and as a technical writer at MIT. She also has taught at Emerson College and Harvard University.

Currently she is working on an untitled personal memoir for Doubleday, due out next year.

## Historian John Hope Franklin speaks at Black Culture lecture series



One of the nation's foremost historians, Dr. John Hope Franklin, center, poses with Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan and Dr. Edward Strickland at recent speaking engagement on the Harbor Campus.

Professor John Hope Franklin, one of the nation's foremost historians and writers spoke at UMass/Boston on March 28 in the Wheatley Hall Auditorium.

Dr. Franklin's talk was entitled: "Stalking George Washington Williams," and reflected his work on a forthcoming biography of Williams, the first major black historian.

Dr. Franklin is well-known to generations of students for his pathbreaking survey history *From Slavery to Freedom: A History of Negro Americans*, first published in 1947 and now in its fifth edition. He is the author of numerous other scholarly works.

In 1976, he was chosen by the National Endowment for the Humanities to deliver the distinguished Jefferson

Lecture in the Humanities. His lecture was published under the title "Radical Equality in America."

John Hope Franklin received his BA from Fisk University and the MA and PhD degrees from Harvard University. He has taught at several universities, and served as chairman of the history departments at Brooklyn College and the University of Chicago. He is currently James B. Duke Professor of History at Duke University.

John Hope Franklin appeared under the auspices of the University's Institute for the Study of Black Culture in its Distinguished Lecturers and Artists Series. The next speaker in the series will be Dr. Andrew Brimmer, an expert on the position of blacks in the American economy, on Thursday, April 11.

## Ex Jamaica PM Michael Manley panelist at Park Square symposium

Five prominent panelists participated with Michael Manley, former Prime Minister of Jamaica, in a symposium at UMass/Boston's Park Square Campus.

The seminar examined the issue of Economic Poverty in the Caribbean and related areas. The seminar was sponsored by UMass/Boston's Institute for the Study of Black Culture.

Panelists were: Robert Warne, Director of the Office of Regional Economic Policy, Bureau of Inter-American Affairs, U.S. State Dept.; John E. Upston, Coordinator for Caribbean Affairs, U.S. State Dept.; Orlando Marville, Minister-Counselor, Embassy of Barbados; Ms. Dessima Williams, Former Diplomat from

Grenada to the World Bank; Lawrence Simon, President American Jewish World Service, Former Project Officer for Caribbean and Central American Region for Oxfam America.

Michael Norman Manley, 60, is a native of Kingston, Jamaica and served as a member of Parliament for East Central Kingston since 1967. He is a spellbinding speaker.

Michael's father, Norman Washington Manley, was the first Premier of Jamaica and a National Hero.

During his period as Prime Minister of Jamaica he carried out wide-ranging social and economic reforms, including a minimum wage, women's rights and free education.



## Alumnus John Warner "knocking 'em dead" at Princeton grad school

It's one of the nicest scenes in academia--the former student returning to visit his mentor. This happened the other day when John Warner, 22, of Quincy reported back to Chemistry professor J.P. Anselme on his progress in graduate school at Princeton University.

"He's knocking 'em dead," said Professor Anselme, using the vernacular.

He is, indeed. Warner, who had a 3.4 academic average his senior year at the Harbor Campus, logged three As and an A+ in the Fall Term, the last grade achieved in Heterocyclic Chemistry under world-famed Dr. E.C. Taylor, Jr.

"I'm studying with a large number of Ivy League graduates, and I guess I'm holding my own," said Warner, modestly.

Warner, a graduate of Quincy High School, is one of three sons of John, an electrician and Natalie. He was president of the school band and seemed headed for a career in music--until he discovered chemistry.

"Research is my strong point. I like the laboratory," said Warner. "I found it a place for the creativity and imagination I used to devote to music."

A high point in Warner's promising career was his junior year selection to speak at a Washington, D.C. meeting of the American Chemistry Association. His subject: heterocyclic chemicals, dealt with



**John Warner**

a series of compounds important to pharmaceuticals.

Currently, Warner is in the running for a fellowship from the National Science Foundation.

The nice part is that he remembers where much of it started.

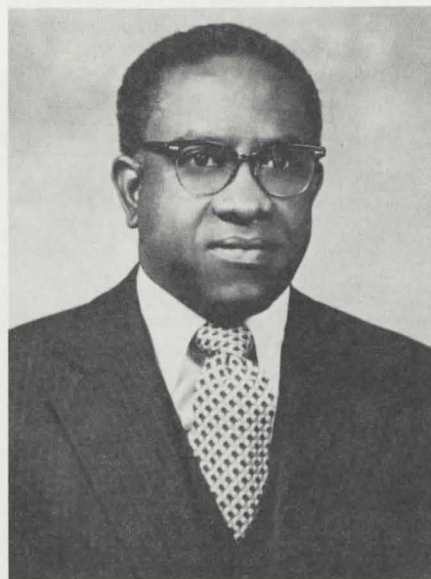
## Lecture by economist Andrew F. Brimmer concludes series at UMB

Noted black economist Andrew F. Brimmer spoke at UMass/Boston on Thursday, April 11 on "Economics in Black and White: Perspectives on Blacks in the American Economy."

Andrew Brimmer is president of Brimmer and Company, Inc., an economic and financial consulting company he founded in Washington, D.C. He is a public governor and vice-chairman of Commodity Exchange, Inc, New York. He is also a member of the Commission on College Retirement and writes a column "Economic Perspectives" for *Black Enterprise Magazine*.

Dr. Brimmer served as deputy assistant secretary and assistant secretary of the Department of Commerce in the John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson administrations. He was a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 1966-1974.

Dr. Brimmer received his doctorate in economics from Harvard University in 1957 and has taught at Michigan State University, the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and the Graduate School of Business Administration at Harvard.



**Andrew F. Brimmer**

His presentation is the last this spring in the Distinguished Lecturers and Artists Series sponsored by UMass/Boston's Institute for the Study of Black Culture.

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The UMass/Boston Music Dept. had a series of events to honor the 300th anniversary of the birth of Johann Sebastian Bach. All received enthusiastic attention.

On April 1, Professor Robert L. Marshall of Brandeis University, one of the world's leading Bach scholars, lectured "On Bach's Universality." Professor Marshall presented the historic achievement of Bach as a synthesis of all the historic and national musical styles of his time. Dr. Marshall currently holds the office of Vice President of the American Musicological Society.

Condolences to varsity hockey coach Joe Mallen, whose father James C. Mallen, a community leader in Dorchester and South Boston, died recently at age 65. Mallen was an original member of the Boston Harbor Association, a study group involved in the concerns of Boston Harbor.

The United States department of Education has asked Carl Finn, Director of the Office of Grant & Contract Administration, to serve as a proposal reader for the Clinical Law Program in Washington from April 9 through April 12. The Clinical Law Program funds proposals submitted by accredited Law Schools to establish and expand programs which provide law students with clinical experience in the practice of law. In FY 1984 the program, which is administered through the office of the assistant secretary for postsecondary education, funded approximately \$1,000,000 in grants.

Clare Joyce-Donahue, Dean of Students, gave birth to a 7-lb., 3 oz. son, Francis Morgan Donahue. Both are doing well. Congratulations!

The English Department will hold the Fourth Annual Bluestone Memorial Lecture on Monday, April 22nd at 4:00 p.m. in Wheatley Auditorium. Featured speaker is Tina Packer, Artistic Director of the Boston Shakespeare Company.

Max Bluestone, a member of the English faculty at UMB for 16 years, died in March of 1981. At that time, family, friends, colleagues, and former students established a fund for an annual memorial lecture.

Contributions to the Bluestone Memorial Fund are, payable to UMass-Boston/Bluestone Fund, should be sent to George W. Slover, English Department, UMass, Harbor Campus, Boston 02125.