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UMASS BOSTON

Michael F. Collins Named as UMass Boston Chancellor

By Leigh DuPuy

On May 25, the University of Massachusetts Board of Trustees approved President Jack M. Wilson's recommendation and appointed Michael F. Collins, M.D. as UMass Boston chancellor.

"Dr. Collins will be an outstanding chancellor from Day One and for many years to come," said President Wilson. "Throughout his career, Michael Collins has had a passion for access and excellence, and he will bring that passion to UMass Boston. He will be a tireless advocate for our students and for the cause of public higher education."

Michael F. Collins was appointed as the next chancellor of UMass Boston on May 25. (Photo by Harry Brett)

Chancellor Collins, a clinical professor of internal medicine at Tufts University, a senior fellow in a public citizenship program at Tufts, and the former president and chief executive officer of Caritas Christi Health Care System, said, "Over the past year, I have been searching for a place that matters and a position that matters. I am thrilled that my search leads me to UMass Boston."

"My excitement derives from the opportunity I shall have to interact with bright and energetic students during such an important time in their lives. It is great that our university accepts willingly the responsibility to foster access and excellence and to develop the human potential of these students," said Chancellor Collins. "Our faculty is a great treasure. No group has a greater vested interest in inspiring our students and in the stewardship of the education provided by the university. I look forward to the opportunity of joining them as colleagues in furthering the mission of UMass Boston."

Following his appointment by the Board of Trustees, Chancellor Collins met with UMass Boston faculty and staff on May 26.

"I am very optimistic that Dr. Collins may well raise this campus to higher levels of visibility, credibility, stature, and the external funding that accompanies such heightened status than we have ever attained in the past. He is remarkably intelligent, sensible, good-humored, and accessible," said Edmund Beard, dean of the McCormack School. "I predict he will be the most forceful and the most successful advocate we have yet had, and I am delighted to have him on campus as our new leader."

"I found Dr. Collins to be knowledgeable about the university and ready to begin his work here. He seems very interested in meeting members of the university community and hearing about our concerns and wishes. I was pleased to speak with him and to find him so interested in our community," said Connie Chan, dean of the College of Public and Community Service.

"This is a difficult time for the university and Dr. Collins seems to be aware of the challenges he faces, as well as the opportunities. In the meeting I attended, he listened carefully and said that he was interested in hearing from all sectors of the UMass Boston community, including constituencies outside the uni-

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University and Senate President Host Delegation Breakfast in May

(From right to left): State Representative Michael Rush speaks with Jack Wiggin, director of the Urban Harbors Institute, and Robert Chen and William Robinson, faculty in the Environmental, Earth, and Ocean Sciences Department, at a breakfast for members of the Boston Legislative Delegation, held on campus on May 4. (Photo by Harry Brett)

By Anne-Marie Kent

On May 4 in the Campus Center Ballroom, members of the Boston Legislative Delegation joined UMass President Jack Wilson, Interim Chancellor Keith Motley, UMass Boston executive staff members, deans, center directors, faculty, and staff for a special breakfast that served as an opportunity to discuss the benefits the university provides to the Legislature as well as the institution's needs. Seated with faculty experts in targeted areas of interest, members of the Boston delegation were able to discuss issues such as health care, education, housing, and technology over breakfast.

Then UMass President Wilson gave special recognition to alumni serving on the Legislature, including Senate President Robert Travaglini, Senator Steven Tolman, and Representative Marie St. Fleur, and offered thanks for increased funding and special committees. He thanked House members for increasing UMass Boston's budget, adding an additional $3 million— an $8 million increase in total from last year—and applauded the formation of special higher education committees in the House and Senate.

During his remarks, Senate President Travaglini voiced support for public higher education, stressing that the Commonwealth should be competitive nationally, and pointed to the fact that 72 percent of University of Massachusetts system graduates stay in the state. When he announced, "We should be investing in public higher education in Massachusetts," Senate President Travaglini received a standing ovation.

Interim Chancellor Motley then focused his presentation on the university's urban mission "as it is expressed through the excellent education we provide, our economic impact, and the expertise we make available."

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South Boston Brothers Honored at Community Breakfast

By Ed Hayward and
Leigh DuPuy

Two brothers from South Boston received the Robert H. Quinn Award for community service at UMass Boston's annual Community Breakfast, where they were recognized for their efforts to create youth sports programs in response to neighborhood tragedy.

Robert and Daniel Ferrara, who returned Pop Warner football to their neighborhood after a 22-year absence and then started a lacrosse league, were honored with the Quinn Award, which was established in honor of Robert H. Quinn, a former speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, attorney general, and chair of the UMass Board of Trustees.

Concerned over the well-being of South Boston youth following a rash of suicides in 1996, the Ferraras met with members of the community with an idea of returning youth football to South Boston. The brothers started out organizing a popular flag football league in 1997. The first spring they had 25 children. By the fall, 140 kids wanted to play.

With the support of community members, local unions, elected officials, and local businesses, the Ferraras helped to raise more than $177,000, which helped them start five teams and five cheerleader squads. The program now serves 350 children with the help of 40 coaches and 25 volunteer officials. The Ferraras have been involved as coaches and operations managers, bought uniforms, lined fields and sold hot dogs at the concession stand. Dan has also served as Pop Warner president.

Left: Breakfast honorees Bob and Dan Ferrara display their Quinn Award plaques.

Right: Robert H. Quinn, former speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, attorney general, and chair of the UMass Board of Trustees, speaks to the crowd.

Bottom: Marty Walsh, state representative; Dan and Bob Ferrara; Interim Chancellor Keith Motley; and City Councilors Maureen Feeney and Jim Kelly gather together at the event.

(Photos by Harry Brett)

"My brother and I saw how structured sports can make a positive influence in people's lives," said Bob Ferrara of their efforts. "It teaches our children the meaning of teamwork, commitment, discipline, and sense of family."

"I am truly humbled and honored by this award," said Bob. "I would like to thank UMass Boston for this recognition."

Dan Ferrara told the gathering of 300 people at the Campus Center ballroom that he considered his efforts a way of saying "thanks" to the adults who guided him during his youth.

"The work my brother and I are doing is the work that was done for us growing up in South Boston," said Dan.

"It's men like these who really make a difference," said Interim Chancellor Motley, who received a standing ovation at the breakfast in recognition of his service to the university. Moved by the response, Motley said, "These are tears of appreciation for all of you, for your affirmation, love, and caring spirit. It also shows how great this institution is."

The Quinn Award is presented annually by UMass Boston to honor individuals whose outstanding contributions have significantly improved the quality of life in one or more of the urban communities of metropolitan Boston.

Michael Collins Named New Chancellor for UMass Boston

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versity. My hope is that the diverse set of voices that is our university will shape Dr. Collins' own vision and priorities as he moves forward as chancellor," said Miren Uriarte, graduate program director for the Ph.D. Program in Public Policy.

Mindful of campus and community concerns, Chancellor Collins expressed his desire to work diligently to address these issues during his acceptance speech. "I value the richness of the diversity of the UMass Boston campus and see it as a tremendous asset to the educational experience and contributions this institution can make to society," said Chancellor Collins. "I will do all that I can to work with members of the UMass Boston community, elected officials, and community leaders to preserve, protect, and promote diversity and opportunity. I recognize that success in this endeavor to find common ground will require my personal attention and the assistance of so many others. Today, I ask for their help and welcome their input."

Meanwhile, President Wilson announced that Keith Motley, who has been serving as interim chancellor for the past 10 months, has been named vice president for business and public affairs.

"I am very pleased to say that Keith Motley, who has served with passion and commitment at UMass Boston, will be taking on responsibilities that will allow him to make a contribution to all five campuses of the UMass system," President Wilson said.

Chancellor Collins becomes the permanent successor to Jo Ann Gora, who stepped down on August 1, 2004, to become president of Ball State University. Collins, 49, served as president and chief executive officer of Caritas Christi Health Care System from 1994 to 2004. Under his leadership, Caritas Christi become the second-largest health care system in New England, generating more than $1.1 million in annual revenues from six acute-care hospitals, physician-group practices, several extended-care facilities, and other health care entities, all located in eastern Massachusetts. From 1994 to 2001, Collins served as president of St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Brighton, a teaching hospital affiliated with Tufts University School of Medicine.

Chancellor Collins has held faculty positions for the past 21 years, first at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, where his posts included assistant professor of internal medicine and assistant dean for patient care resources. He currently serves as clinical professor of internal medicine at Tufts University School of Medicine and is a senior fellow at the University College of Citizenship and Public Service. In that capacity he has conducted research on active citizenship opportunities for medical students, faculty, and alumni of the School of Medicine; reviewed active citizenship and leadership qualities of medical school applicants; discussed curricular offerings and innovation; and charted a course for enhanced efforts in active citizenship and leadership. He has served on a number of faculty committees at Tufts and as associate dean for government and medical affairs. Chancellor Collins has served on numerous boards, including those of the College of Holy Cross, Massachusetts Hospital Association, Jobs for Massachusetts, and the Massachusetts Business Roundtable.

He is a 1977 graduate of the College of the Holy Cross and earned an M.D. from Tufts University School of Medicine in 1981.

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Urban Harbors Institute Honors Boston Harbor Advocate

By Ed Hayward

In a heartfelt thank-you to a Boston jurist who played a major role in the cleanup of Boston Harbor, UMass Boston's Urban Harbors Institute unveiled the Judge A. David Mazzone Archives at the Boston Harbor Symposium 2005 on May 23 in the Campus Center.

The symposium, dedicated as "A Tribute to Judge A. David Mazzone," was attended by family and friends of the late judge of the U.S. District Court in Boston, his fellow judges, and some of the officials who were closely involved in the federal lawsuit to bring Boston Harbor into compliance with U.S. clean-water statutes.

Mazzone took the landmark lawsuit into federal jurisdiction 20 years ago—on May 22, 1985. From that point on, he was part project manager, part politician, part engineer—but entirely in charge of oversight of the $3.6-billion waste-water treatment project.

Mazzone, a native of Everett, "knew the harbor, knew the beaches as places where he had grown up," said former Massachusetts governor Michael S. Dukakis. "This wasn't some academic exercise for David."

Dukakis, now a professor of political science at Northeastern University, was joined by state Office for Commonwealth Development Secretary Douglas L. Foy; former state and federal environmental official John DeVillars; Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Executive Director Fred Laskey; former Quincy City Solicitor William B. Golden; and Boston Harbor Association Executive Director Vivien Li.

Michael Dukakis, professor of political science at Northeastern University; Douglas L. Foy, secretary of the Office of Commonwealth Development; and former Quincy City Solicitor William B. Golden, spoke on a panel that also included former state and federal environmental official John DeVillars, Massachusetts Water Resources Authority executive director Fred Laskey, and Boston Harbor Association executive director Vivien Li. (Photo by Harry Brett)

In 2000, the institute's current director, Jack Wiggin, and former director Richard Delaney convinced the judge to donate all materials related to the case to the institute and UMass Boston's Archives and Special Collections section of the Healey Library.

Delaney said the pair promised the judge that the record of the case would not gather dust. "We promised this would be an alive, accessible and useful archive for scholars, lawyers, and public policy analysts," said Delaney, now executive vice president of the Horsley Witten Group.

To fulfill that promise, project archivist Jenni Matz inventoried 28 boxes containing judicial orders, compliance reports, notes, photographs, videos, and letters from concerned ratepayers and citizen action groups. Any item that would have passed through the judge's hands during his 20-year jurisdiction over this case is included in the collection.

An index of the archives is available at **www.lib.umb.edu/archives/mazzone.html**. A searchable database is under development and videotaped oral history interviews with Judge Mazzone and other figures in this case have been added to the collection. Both the tapes of the interviews and their transcripts are available in the Archives and Special Collections Department on the fifth floor of the Healey Library.

UMass Boston Hosts Delegation

Paul Watanabe, director of the Institute for Asian American Studies; Marie St. Fleur, state representative; Donna Haig Friedman, Center for Social Policy; and Connie Chan, dean of the College of Public and Community, together at the breakfast. (Photo by Harry Brett)

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Motley noted that 56 percent of UMass Boston students are first-generation college students and 92 percent hail from Massachusetts. He also provided the number of students, alumni, and faculty and staff living in each of the legislators' districts. (For example, 838 alumni live in President Travaglini's district.)

He went on to discuss the economic impact of UMass Boston's programs and alumni, particularly in the areas of nursing, education, and business. He added, "No other college or university in the city can say that three-quarters of their alumni stay in the area—86 percent in the state. We help provide an educated workforce to the city and the Commonwealth."

Next, Provost Paul Fonteyn stressed the academic quality of UMass Boston. He noted the diversity of the faculty and the number and quality of new faculty hires, identifying prestigious institutions from which they came, including Brown, Yale, Princeton, and Stanford. He pointed to key grants, projects, and faculty whose research specialties might be of interest to legislators. "We strive to be one of the premier urban universities in the U.S.," said Fonteyn.

Ellen O'Connor, vice chancellor for accounting and finance, then raised the issue of UMass Boston's infrastructure needs. She said, "This new Campus Center has shown us what a first-class facility is and the difference it makes on campus."

Representatives Rush and St. Fleur closed the meeting, both voicing support for public higher education and the work of UMass Boston. Said St. Fleur, "This is where I can call for research on the Latino community in Boston or on women in politics in Massachusetts."

Labor Resource Centers Examine the Future of Work

(Photo by Paul Shore)

Robert Haynes '87, president of the Massachusetts AFL-CIO, gave the keynote address at the statewide "Future of Work in Massachusetts" conference, held at UMass Boston on April 28. The conference, a joint project of labor resource centers at UMass Amherst, Boston, Dartmouth, and Lowell, examined issues facing employees across all sectors of the economy, including the impact of workplace reorganization, new technology, and the intensification of work. Sessions included UMass research on women, people of color, and immigrants in Massachusetts' workplaces; Massachusetts and the global economy; the future of high-tech in the Commonwealth; and the changing nature of work and the workplace in Massachusetts.

Governor Romney Proposes $40 Million to Rebuild Garage

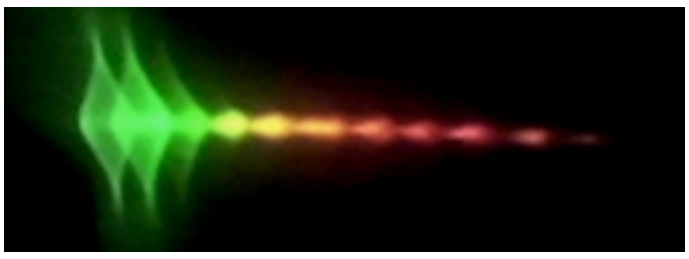
Governor Mitt Romney pledged a minimum of $40 million to help rebuild the central foundation and parking garage at UMass Boston. Romney made the announcement at the installation ceremonies for UMass President Jack Wilson on May 12.

"A first-class academic institution like UMass Boston deserves first-class facilities," said Romney. "The condition of the Boston campus central foundation and parking garage is not acceptable. I want to make sure funds are available to rebuild in a way that reflects UMass Boston's bright future."

To fund project planning and reconstruction, Romney asked the Legislature for authorization to spend at least $40 million over the next four years from the state's capital budget. Earlier this month, Romney filed a $950 million bond bill that proposed spending $450 million for improvements to state facilities, including the University of Massachusetts and state and community colleges. Romney's bill must receive legislative approval before funds can be made available for the UMass Boston project.

If his plan receives legislative approval, Romney would immediately spend $1 million for a structural engineer to assess the project, a process that could begin as soon as this summer.

Researchers Recycle Intelligent Resources



(Photo by Chandra Yelleswarapu)

The above photo, light exiting from a long strand of telecommunications fiber, illustrates a simple demonstration of a well-known nonlinear phenomenon called "stimulated raman scattering." Professor Gopal Rao of the Physics Department and postdoctoral research associate Chandra Yelleswarapu developed this new lab exercise for the Advanced Laser Optics lab-based graduate course. Green pulsed laser light is fed into the fiber and the output light is dispersed to obtain the above spectra, using a surplus grating donated by Michael Pollard of the Psychology Department and graduate student in the Applied Physics Master's Program. Rao is planning to use the same optical fiber for developing several lab exercises in undergraduate teaching and research labs. The outmoded optical fiber, which had previously sat unused and collecting dust, was obtained from Jamie Soule, network engineer in the Computing Services Department. By "recycling" this fiber, the Physics Department saved more than $5,000 and gained a valuable resource to provide hands-on research experience in fiber-optics for students.

Professor Receives Top Prize for Science Education

By Leigh DuPuy

Arthur Eisenkraft, director of the Center of Science and Math in Context and Distinguished Professor of Science Education, frequently has earned top accolades for his innovative programs in science education. This April, he added another award to the mantel when he received the 2005 Distinguished Service to Science Education Award from the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) at its annual convention, held in Dallas.

"Receiving an award of this magnitude helps remind me of the contributions of so many dedicated professionals in the projects in which I have been involved," said Eisenkraft. "The award provides an additional impetus for our next challenge—improving the science education of all students in the Boston Public Schools."

Eisenkraft, a former public school teacher of physics and science, recently came to UMass Boston as the first Distinguished Professor of Science Education and senior research fellow at the Graduate College of Education.

Eisenkraft leads the way in helping to make the sciences accessible to students. He is currently working on developing the Active Physics curriculum, which is now used by more than 200,000 students across the country. Originated by the American Association of Physics Teachers and the American Institute for Physics, the project aims to bring physics education to more American students. He is also a coprincipal investigator on the $12.5 million National Science Foundation grant received by UMass Boston faculty to support the Boston Science Partnership.

In recognition of his body of work, he has received the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science Teaching and the APPT Distinguished Service Citation for "excellent contributions to the teaching of physics." The Disney Corporation also recognized him as Science Teacher of the Year in the American Teacher Awards program, and in 1993, he received an honorary Doctor of Science from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Arthur Eisenkraft, director of the Center of Science and Math in Context and Distinguished Professor of Science Education, received the 2005 Distinguished Service to Science Education Award from the National Science Teachers Association. (Photo by Harry Brett)

NSTA, the world's largest organization of science educators, annually honors K-12 teachers, professors, principals, and other educators who, through active leadership and scholarly endeavor, have made extraordinary contributions to the advancement of education in the sciences and science teaching. Eisenkraft served as president of NSTA in 2000 – 2001 and has served as chair of three of NSTA's teacher and student awards programs.

Schweitzer Fellow Brings Health Care to Migrant Workers

By Lisa Gentes

A graduate student at UMass Boston, a full-time nurse, and a volunteer–Rachael Sargent can now add Schweitzer Fellow to her busy schedule.

The 29-year-old North Andover resident was selected as one of 30 2005-2006 Boston Schweitzer Fellows in February.

"It's the second–biggest accomplishment in my life," said the West Roxbury native, who attended Boston Public Schools and Northeastern University, adding that the number one accomplishment was getting into the master's program at UMass Boston.

Sargent is entering her last year in the program. She's on the adult nurse practitioner track and working full time, about 36 hours a week, as a nurse at Brigham and Women's Hospital in the burn, trauma, and intensive care unit.

The fellowship, established in 1991, is for Boston–area graduate students in health and human services and honors the legacy of Dr. Albert Schweitzer. The fellows commit to a year of service, devoting over 200 hours to local towns and cities that lack proper health care.

Sargent said this year's fellows are "the most amazing group of people."

"It's really interesting when you're surrounded by people who share your passions," the nurse said.

The purpose of the fellowship is to take people with an interest in health and human services who are helping underserved populations, and support them, she said.

The fellows meet monthly throughout the year and kicked off their fellowship program with a weekend retreat, she said. They are working on a service project as a group and individually.

Sargent said she was amazed by the "power and potential" of the fellows. "It's just an honor to be part of such a group of people," she said.

Sargent's project is running a health care clinic for migrant workers who take care of horses near Rockingham Park racetrack in Salem, N.H. She said both she and her husband, David, a physician's assistant, are interested in working for underserved populations. The couple helped run the clinic last year, and will continue the project this year, using funds from the fellowship stipend.

"There's a huge amount of need and not a lot of money to do it," she said. Sargent finds working at the clinic very enjoyable and that the migrant workers need the services, many having no other access to health care.

There are many reasons the workers don't have access to health care, she said.

Many are moving around, following the horse-racing season throughout the country, and don't live in the same place for more than a couple of months. Some workers are paid under the table, living at the poverty level, and can't afford insurance. Others are homeless, some are veterans, but every person has a different background and different needs, she said.

She said the clinic, which operates out of a trailer, sees anywhere from five to 15 patients each morning. "It's a very fluctuating population," Sargent said.

The grad student said the fellowship and her volunteer project were a perfect fit.

"The fellowship is right up my alley for interest," she said. "This just sort of matched the values and goals of the fellowship," she said of her service project.

She hopes the fellowship will allow her to uncover more free and low-cost resources available to the patients at the clinic. She and her husband also are preparing to go on a volunteer mission to Honduras in October.

She encourages other graduate students to pursue the fellowship, which is not limited to the health care field.

(Photo by Beth White)

Community Creates Art for "The Point"

La Verne Burton (left), teacher at the Notre Dame Montessori School at St. Christopher's Church, is at work thinking about what Columbia Point means to her at a session held at UMass Boston for the public art initiative "What's the Point?" The project invited members of the community who live, work, and learn on Columbia Point to create original works of art that describe their connection to "The Point." Throughout April, more than 100 community members participated in workshops led by professional artist Cathy McLaurin and poet Gary Duehr. The finished work will be reproduced in full color on metal panels and be permanently installed at multiple sites around Columbia Point. Wendy Baring-Gould, director of education and community outreach at Arts on the Point, directed the project, which is part of the Community Outreach Partnership Center Project at UMass Boston.

University Celebrates Partnerships with Community

Suffolk County Sheriff Andrea Cabral gave the keynote address at the "Celebrating and Building Community-University Partnerships for Research, Teaching, and Outreach" forum. (Photo by Harry Brett)

By Joan Arches

On May 5, more than 150 faculty and community members joined Interim Chancellor Motley and the Urban Mission Coordinating Committee in celebrating and building university-community partnerships. Building on a year-long agenda that began last fall with the "Are You on the Map?" initiative and the Urban Connections Forum, the university convened once again to celebrate existing partnerships in research, teaching, and service. The event brought participants together to discuss building new collaborations and creating strategies for university and community partnerships that address the issues and meet the needs of Boston in the 21st century.

In her address to the group, Suffolk County Sheriff Andrea Cabral highlighted the impact of partnerships and underscored the importance of building on this tradition. Following Sheriff Cabral's inspiring talk, Adrian Haugabrook, executive director of the Citizens Schools University, captured the audience's attention with his presentation on the process of forming and sustaining meaningful partnerships.

Forum participants then discussed responses to the following questions: What opportunities and needs currently exist with respect to university-community partnerships? What are the challenges? What are the next steps to develop and sustain university-community partnerships?

Many common threads emerged. The need for enhanced communication was echoed by many of the groups. Participants were interested in learning how to find out what's happening within the university, to connect with people and activities on campus, and how to create new partnerships. They identified a need to learn from each other and for community groups to come together with the university to share concerns and resources. Some of the community groups said they felt like outsiders and wanted to be more involved with university initiatives. Several reiterated the desire to have more service-learning classes in the community. Many felt a web site would be a great first step for future communications.

With resounding support to continue these efforts, organizers will present a summary of notes from each of the groups to participants, the chancellor, and provost for guidance in creating the university's agenda for the coming year.

New English Faculty Member Awarded Prestigious Rome Prize

By Leigh DuPuy

New English faculty member Patrick Barron has received the highly coveted Rome Prize from the American Academy in Rome.

"This is one of the most prestigious awards in the United States for research and creative work in the humanities," said Robert Crossley, chair of the English Department.

Barron, assistant professor of English and director of the Professional Writing Program, will spend 11 months in Italy conducting postdoctoral research for the project "From Pastureland to War Zone to National Park: The Three-Stage Evolution of the Majella Massif in Abruzzo, Italy." There, he will examine how people live, respond, and work in a landscape long recovering from wartime devastation. Noting that the Abruzzo region was the scene of one of the most violent fronts during World War II, Barron looks forward to interviewing older residents on their experiences living through the war or returning to ruined homes. He hopes to better understand, as he puts it, "how and why certain landscapes devastated by war not only recover but occasionally even flourish."

Patrick Barron, winner of the Rome Prize in Modern Italian Studies, will join the English Department in fall 2005.

"I think these are very interesting questions to ask about warfare and landscapes, especially in light of the current situations in Iraq and Afghanistan," said Barron.

Barron has long been interested in the intersections between cultural geography and environmental literature, one approach to what he describes as "examining texts through a green lens." He notes that environmental literature is not limited to the pastoral. "It can be an examination of human beings and their environments, which can be built, such as urban nature, as well as one that's natural," he said.

He has taught at urban institutions such as the City College of San Francisco and San Francisco State University and observes that, "I have found that students are receptive to working with texts that deal with both urban and rural surroundings."

Looking forward to directing the Professional Writing Program at UMass Boston, Barron plans to help develop internships and workshops in publication development. "It's a great way to learn what it is like to put together a book or magazine and all the little steps that go into the process," he said.

Carter Partnership Video Recognized at 2005 Videographer Awards

Collaborators on the award-winning video: Ed Hayward, associate vice chancellor for university communications; John Jessoe, director of the Distance Learning Video Production Center (DLVPC); and Jeff Wade, DLVPC technical coordinator. (Photo by Harry Brett)

At the 2005 Videographer Awards, UMass Boston's Distance Learning Video Production Center (DLVPC) received an Award of Distinction for the production of the video "Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Partnership Award." Collaborators on the award-winning video were John Jessoe, DLVPC director, who served as videographer and editor; Ed Hayward, associate vice chancellor for university communications, who produced the script; and Jeff Wade, technical coordinator, who directed sound production.

The Award of Distinction was given in recognition of projects that exceed industry standards. There were 2,293 entries from throughout the United States and several foreign countries in this year's competition.

University Hosts Sailing Regatta

(Photo by Margaret Brett)

Pictured above are high school students preparing to sail from Fox Point Landing on April 23 at a regatta hosted by the university. The event, sponsored by the Division of Enrollment Management and facilitated by the Division of Marine Operations (DMO) and Boston College High School, drew more than 140 competitors from eight schools. Despite the fog and overcast skies, students took advantage of a good wind, captaining 12 C420 racing sailboats around Dorchester Bay. The university provided them with lunch and hosted an awards ceremony in the Campus Center following the race. Chris Sweeney, DMO director, wants to host future regattas at UMass Boston. He said, "We hope to build a competitive sailing team here, and this is a great way to showcase our campus to juniors and seniors."

CAMPUS NOTES

PRESENTATIONS, CONFERENCES, AND LECTURES

Lawrence Blum, professor of philosophy, presented "Race, Ethnicity, and Pan-Ethnicity" at a colloquium for the Philosophy Department at the University of San Francisco.

Ying-Ping Chen, the Frank J. Manning Eminent Scholar's Chair in Gerontology, gave the keynote speech "The Political Economy of Aging" at a symposium on aging and the family, held at Seattle Pacific University in April. He also presented a community lecture, "Economic Challenges of Aging, 2005," with Michael Dukakis on May 4 in Brookline.

Jay R. Dee, assistant professor of education, co-presented two papers in April: "Beyond Expectations: Organizational Commitment of Urban Community College Faculty" at the annual meeting of the Council for the Study of Community Colleges in Boston; and "Turnover Intentions and Job Satisfaction in Urban Public Universities: Comparison of Tenured and Non-tenured Faculty" at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association.

Alex Des Forges, assistant professor of modern languages, was a discussant at the Gender Studies Workshop, held at the Fairbank Center for East Asian Research at Harvard University on May 13.

Graduate students in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, **Laura Donadio, Shannon Gongoleski, Chu Ly, Amy MacDougall, Brenna Maguire, Trinity Muller, Paula Nelson, Ellen Gore Patrolia, Eleanor Sbardelli, Kate Scales, Jessie Vogt**, and **Karen Williams**, with **Rona F. Flippo**, associate professor of education, presented "Assessing Readers (with Cognitive Assessments)" at the 36th Annual Conference of the Massachusetts Reading Association.

The Environmental, Earth, and Ocean Sciences (EEOS) Department's **John Duff**, assistant professor, and **William Robinson**, professor, participated in the Lobster Shell Disease Workshop at UMass Boston. Duff and Professor **Michael Shiaris** presented papers and Robinson moderated a panel.

In April, **Jeff Dukes**, professor of biology, presented "The Ancient Roots and Modern Consequences of Global Environmental Changes" at The Ecosystems Center at Woods Hole, MA and at Brown University. In May, Dukes gave the invited talk "Effects of Interacting Environmental Changes on Biodiversity" at the Global Environmental Change and Biodiversity Workshop.

Carroy U. Ferguson, professor in the College of Public and Community Service, presented the seminar "Peace: An Archetypal Energy for Personal Growth and Transformation" at the Association for Humanistic Psychology's Annual International Conference, held in June at California State University.

In May, **Rona F. Flippo**, associate professor of education, chaired meetings of the International Reading Association's (IRA) Intellectual Freedom Committee at its 50th Annual Convention. Rona will serve as chair of Intellectual Freedom for IRA through 2006.

Joan Garity, associate professor in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, presented "Concepts from King's Personal and Interpersonal System Applied to Grief Studies: Alzheimer's Family Care Givers" for the inaugural Sylvia Gendrop Lecture, held at UMass Boston on May 20. The lecture was established by Professor **Jacqueline Fawcett**.

Stephanie Hartwell of the Sociology Department was the invited speaker for the colloquium "Criminalization and Mental Illness" at the Consortium for Applied Research and Evaluation in Mental Health, held on May 10 in Ontario, Canada.

On April 28, **Ellen Hume**, director of the McCormack Graduate School's Center on Media and Society and senior research fellow in Communication Studies, was the 2005 Hardman Lecturer at Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts on April 28, where she gave the public lecture "Talk Shows, Bloggers and the Future of News." She also presented "What Is Happening to the News?" at the Tiger Bay Club in Pensacola, Florida on April 15.

In April, **Pascale Joassart**, assistant professor of economics, presented "Closing the Gap between Places of Work and Residence: The Role of Rental Housing Assistance" at the Association of American Geographers' annual meeting and at the Junior Faculty Colloquium at UMass Boston.

Jack Looney, professor in the Environmental, Earth, and Ocean Sciences Department, co-presented "Tsunamis and Earthquakes: Here in Boston?" for UMass Boston's Links of Help and Hope Project on April 26.

In May, **Jeffrey M. Keisler**, professor of management science and information systems, chaired the conference "Drivers, Roles and Challenges of Portfolio and Project Management in the Pharmaceutical Industry," where he presented "Focused Project Portfolio Decision Processes."

Peter Kiang, Asian American Studies program director and professor of education, presented "Lessons from Local Asian American Community Environments" for the US Environmental Protection Agency–New England Regional Office in May. In June, Kiang presented "Local/Global Political Dynamics in the Development of Boston's Vietnamese and Cambodian American Communities at the Asian Diaspora conference, held at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

William Kiernan, director of the Institute for Community Inclusion, gave the keynote address on community disability agencies and community employment at the National Organizational Change forum, held in May. **John Butterworth,** research director, led four presentations at the event.

Donaldo Macedo, Distinguished Professor of Liberal Arts and Education in the Applied Linguistics Graduate Program, was a keynote speaker at the New Mexico Association of Bilingual Education Annual Conference, held in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Kathleen Golden McAndrew, assistant vice chancellor of student affairs and executive director of University Health Services, presented "Prescription and Over the Counter Drug Abuse: What the Nurse Practitioner Needs to Know" and "What's Going On Out There? An Update on Substance Abuse Trends" at the 2005 American Association of Occupational Health Nurses Symposium.

Professor **Michael Milburn** of the Psychology Department presented "Adolescent Sexual Intelligence—What It Is and Why It Is Important" at the annual conference of New Jersey high school guidance counselors, held at Rutgers University.

Tammy Barlow Murphy, assistant professor of economics, presented "Probabilistic Risk Assessment in the Proposed Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule" with a co-author on March 29 at Michigan State University.

Cheryl Nixon, assistant professor of English, gave the paper "Circulating the Law in Manuscript and Print: Chancery Court Cases and Narrative Forms" at the recent American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies annual conference, held in Las Vegas.

Mary Oleskiewicz, assistant professor of music, appeared as a panelist on 18th-century woodwind tuning at the annual meeting of the American Musical Instrument Society, held in Las Vegas in May.

Sherry Penney, professor of leadership in the College of Management, will present "Challenges Facing Public Institutions in Higher Education" at the HERS Summer Institute for Women Administrators at Bryn Mawr College on June 27. In July she and husband Jim Livingston will present "The Use of Primary Resources in Teaching History" at the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Women's Rights National Historical Park in Seneca Falls.

In June, **Marc Prou**, assistant professor of Africana Studies, will present "Minimizing Risks! Whose Responsibility?" at a "Risk and Responsibility for Education-Abroad Programmes: The Caribbean Perspective"Seminar, hosted by The University of the West Indies in collaboration with Queen's University, Ontario.

Jennifer Radden, professor of philosophy, presented the paper "Technology and Virtues" at the Annual Meeting of the Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry, held on May 21 in Atlanta.

Lisa Rivera, assistant professor of philosophy, gave the talk "Walzer on War and Imperfect Democracies" on April 29 at the Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association.

With colleagues **Linda Samia** and **Margaret Cushman**, **Carol Hall Ellenbecker**, associate professor and director of the Ph.D. Program in Nursing, presented "Job Retention Among Home Healthcare" at the Eastern Nursing Research Society in April. In May, she presented "Exploring Work Environment Characteristics That Make a Difference in Home Healthcare Nurses' Level of Job Satisfaction" at the Annual New England Home Care Hospice Conference and the Home and Health Care Association of Massachusetts.

In May and June, **Nina M. Silverstein**, associate professor of Gerontology, presented "State Drivers Licensing Requirements and Reporting Laws: Implications for Persons with Dementia" at the Alzheimer's Association 17th Annual Public Policy Forum. She also presented "Reflections on Action-Research" at UMass Boston; "Student, Faculty, and Community Partner Perspectives" at University of Maryland Baltimore County; "Community Mobility and Dementia" for the Alzheimer's Association; and the keynote address "Driving Safety Issues and the Driver with a Progressive Memory Disorder" for Florida's Alzheimer's Disease Initiative organization.

Malcolm Smuts, professor of history, co-edited a special issue of the journal *The Court Historian* on the subject of "Queens and the Transmission of Political Culture: The Case of Early Modern France." With Geoffrey Symcox, Smuts co-organized the conference "Courts and Scientific Exchange," which was held at UCLA in May. Both projects are connected with Smuts's role as president of the North American Society for Court Studies.

Jun Suzuki, assistant professor of computer science, and graduate student **Manikya Madhu Babu Eadara** will give an invited tutorial lecture, "Design and Applications of the UML 2.0 Metamodel and UML Profiles," at a technical meeting of the Object Management Group on June 12. The article "Leveraging Metamodeling and Attribute-Oriented Programming to Build a Model-Driven Framework for Domain-Specific Languages" by Suzuki won best paper at the 8th JSSST Conference on Systems Programming and Its Applications.

In April, **Peter Taylor** of the College of Education led the second New England Workshop on Science and Social Change in Woods Hole on the topic "How Complexities of the Social Environment Shape the Ways that Society Makes Use of Knowledge about 'Genetic' Conditions." **Tom Flanagan** of the College of Management helped facilitate the workshop.

Randall Wilson, research consultant for the Center for Social Policy and a Ph.D. Candidate in Public Policy, presented at the Future of Work Conference, held at UMass Boston on April 28. The paper, "Career Ladders in the Massachusetts Long-term Care Sector: Prospects for Job Mobility in the New Economy," is slated for inclusion in the book *The Future of Work in Massachusetts*.

PUBLICATIONS

Jorgelina Abbate-Vaughn, assistant professor at the Graduate School of Education, published an article on using the theories of Paolo Freire in preparing educators to teach in marginalized bicultural communities in *REICE–Revista Electrónica Iberoamericana sobre Calidad, Eficacia, y Cambio en Educación*.

Pam Annas and **Linda Dittmar**, professors of English, edited the Spring 2005 "Teaching in Time of War" issue of *Radical Teacher*. **Paul Atwood** of the American Studies Program and the Joiner Center contributed the essay "Teaching about War in a Time of War."

Elsa Auerbach, professor of English, had the article "Adult Literacies: Connecting to the Big Picture" published in *Concept: The Journal of Contemporary Community Education Practice Theory*.

CAMPUS NOTES

Maurice T. Cunningham, assistant professor of political science, published the article "Catholics and the ConCon: The Church's Response to the Massachusetts Gay Marriage Decision" in the *Journal of Church and State*.

"Record Snow, Mid-March," a Tanka poem by College of Public and Community Service faculty member **Susan Eisenberg**, was published in the *JP Gazette*.

Carol Hall Ellenbecker, director of the Ph.D. Program in Nursing, published the co-written article "Refinement and Psychometric Testing of the Home Healthcare Nurse Job Satisfaction Scale" in *Journal of Advanced Nursing*.

C.K. Richard Hung, assistant professor in the College of Public and Community Service, published "Asian American Nonprofit Organizations in U.S. Metropolitan Areas" in *AAPI Nexus: Asian American and Pacific Islanders Policy, Practice and Community.*

Pascale Joassart, assistant professor of economics, recently published the coauthored article "Lost Angeles: Region by Design," in *Sunbelt/Frostbelt: Public Policies and Market Forces in Metropolitan Development*. Her cowritten article "Fiscal Consequences of Concentrated Poverty in a Metropolitan Region" appears in the June issue of *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*.

Robert Johnson, Jr., chair and professor of Africana Studies, authored the introduction to the reissue of George M. Stroud's *Stroud's Slave Laws: A Sketch of the Laws Relating to Slavery in the Several States of the United States,* originally published in 1856 and reissued by Black Classic Press.

Arthur MacEwan, professor of economics, published the cowritten article "Students Dropping Out of Puerto Rico Public Schools: Measuring the Problem and Examining the Implications" in *Ensayos y Monografias*, a journal published by the University of Puerto Rico.

Joe Marrone of the Institute for Community Inclusion authored two chapters for the 30th Institute on Rehabilitation issue of *Innovative Methods for Providing Vocational Rehabilitation Services to Individuals with Psychiatric Disabilities*.

David Matz, director and professor in the Graduate Program in Dispute Resolution, published two pieces in *Negotiation Journal*: a book review of *Beyond Neutrality and Toward Engagement* and "Legal Issues and Human Rights Dimensions of the Israeli Settlements Issue," which was part of a coauthored conference report.

Susan Moir, director of the Labor Resource Center, published the article "Ideological Influences on Participatory Research in Occupational Health and Safety: A Review of the Literature" in the May issue of *New Solutions: A Journal of Environmental and Occupational Health Policy*.

Siamak Movahedi, professor and chair of the Sociology Department, published "The 'Voice' of the Analysand and the 'Subject' of Diagnosis" in the William Alanson White Institute's *Journal of Contemporary Psychoanalysis*.

Edna Pressler, staff psychologist at the Counseling Center and adjunct clinical assistant professor of psychology, published a book review in *PsycCritiques*, an American Psychological Association journal.

Laurel E. Radwin, assistant professor of nursing, published a commentary, "Arthritis Symptoms, Information Sources, and a Constantly Shifting Threshold of Risk-Benefit Ratios Influenced Elderly Patients' Decisions about Total Joint Replacement" in *Evidence Based Nursing*.

EXHIBITS, READINGS, PERFORMANCES, RECORDINGS

On April 3, **Susan Eisenberg** of the College of Public and Community Service read from her book *Pioneering: Poems from the Construction Site* on WUMB Radio's "Commonwealth Journal."

On May 31, **Mary Oleskiewicz**, assistant professor of music, played a live radio performance on WGBH featuring music for Baroque flute and clavichord by C.P.E. Bach, W.F. Bach, and J.S. Bach.

GRANTS, RESEARCH, AND PROJECTS

Kenneth L. Campbell, professor of biology, received a Joseph P. Healey Endowment Award for his project "Quantitative Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) for Simultaneous Noninvasive Markers of Female Ovarian, Insemination, and Urogenital Microbial Status: Assay Optimization."

On April 25, **Françoise Carré** and **Randall Wilson** of the Center for Social Policy delivered the report "The Social and Economic Costs of Employee Misclassification in the Maine Construction Industry," sponsored by the Construction Policy Research Center, Labor and Worklife Program at Harvard Law School and by Harvard School of Public Health.

Tom Flanagan of the Environmental Business and Technology Center presided as a judge for environmental projects at the 56th Massachusetts Science Fair, held at MIT on May 7. Some 300 high school science projects were represented, with applications ranging from snails to stem cells.

The UMass Boston Center on Media and Society's ethnic journalism project presented its progress at Columbia University's Ethnic Media EXPO in New York June 9, featuring project researchers Henry Rafael and Hiteshkumar Hathi, director **Ellen Hume**, Yawu Miller of the *Bay State Banner,* and others.

Professor **Nigel Hamilton**, visiting fellow of the John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies, interviewed senior members of the Clinton administration for the second volume of his biography *Bill Clinton: An American Journey*, due out in 2006. While in Washington, D.C., Hamilton was interviewed for *Voice of America* on April 1 and on April 29 for the *Discovery Military Channel*'s forthcoming series "First Command" on Field Marshall Montgomery.

The College of Management named William C. Van Faasen, the Chairman and CEO of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts, as Distinguished Executive for 2005 at its annual Distinguished Executive Luncheon, held on May 5.

In April, EEOS faculty, staff, and students launched the ECOShuttle to conduct an extensive water-quality sampling and modeling cruise in the Hudson River and New Jersey shore with researchers at Rutgers and Columbia Universities. The project was funded by the National Science Foundation and led by **Robert Chen** and **Meng Zhou** and included **Bernie Gardner**, **Yiwu Zhu**, and **Francesco Peri**, as well as graduate students **Huang Wei** and **Zibiao Zhang**.

Staff from the Institute for Community Inclusion trained 800 Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance staff on how to serve people with disabilities in workshops that ran from March to June.

The national project "Give Us Your Poor: Homelessness and the U.S." launched the "Bringing It Home" dinner party series with a kickoff event on April 5. The launch event unveiled new film footage of the feature-length documentary film in the making, narrated by Actor Danny Glover and produced by former HBO director and Emmy winner Michael Mierendorf.

APPOINTMENTS AND HONORS

Ying-Ping Chen, the Frank J. Manning Eminent Scholar's Chair in Gerontology, was appointed an advisor to the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology.

Four teams of undergraduate students from the College of Management competed in the First Annual College of Management Case Competition held recently in the Campus Center. Gold Medal standing was awarded to **Benjamin Chung**, **Brian MacDonald**, **Abhishek Sharda**, and **Nichole Ward**.

In May, **Silvia Dorado**, assistant professor of management and marketing, was nominated to participate in a three-day intensive course in May on entrepreneurship research for junior faculty at the Frank Hawkins Kenan Institute of Private Enterprise, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Carol Hall Ellenbecker, associate professor and director of the Ph.D. Program in Nursing, was appointed to the editorial board of the journal *Policy, Politics and Nursing Practice*.

Mari Koerner of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction has been appointed the 2006 Program Chair for Division K (Teacher Education) for the American Education Research Association Conference in San Francisco. She has also accepted a position on the board of examiners for the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

Kathleen Golden McAndrew of Student Affairs and University Health Services was reappointed to the editorial review panel of the *Journal of The American Association of Occupational Health Nurses*.

Brian Sokol, director of communications at the Center for Social Policy and first-year student in the Master's in Public Affairs Program, received the 2005 Paul G. Keough Outstanding Student of Public Administration award from the Massachusetts Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration.

Donna Haig Friedman, director of the Center for Social Policy, received the Wellspring Award from the Wellspring House, an honor "given annually in appreciation of women whose work has made a significant contribution to the community in ways that reflect Wellspring's mission of learning, hospitality, and enterprise."

Steve Ward of the Office of Institutional Advancement was appointed to the board of directors of Odaiko New England, a performing group that works to promote greater multicultural understanding.

The Corporation for National and Community Service awarded the Institute for Community Inclusion supplemental funding to continue and expand the National Service Inclusion Project.

DISSERTATIONS

Three students from the Ph.D. Program in Nursing defended their dissertations successfully to earn their doctorates: **Victoria Morrison** presented "A Contemporary Analysis of the Voluntary Smallpox Vaccination Program"; **Patricia Poirier** presented "The Relation of Sick Leave Benefits, Employment Patterns, and Individual Characteristics to Radiation Therapy-Related Fatigue"; and **Anna Yoder** presented "Variation in Clinical Practice: The Impact of Age and Gender on Prescribing Decisions for Coronary Heart Disease."

IN THE NEWS

Two op-eds by students in the Graduate Certificate Program for Women in Politics and Public Policy at the McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies were recently published: **Lisa Allen Brown**'s "Melville Ave. Parties Need to Move On" appeared in the *Dorchester Reporter* on April 21 and **Sage Reisler**'s piece on the wage gap for women appeared in the *Springfield Republican* on April 19.

On April 26, the *Portland Press Herald* published on article based on the findings of the report "The Social and Economic Costs of Employee Misclassification in the Maine Construction Industry" by the Center for Social Policy's **Françoise Carré** and **Randall Wilson**.

Research on public shoreline access in Maine by **John Duff**, assistant professor in the Environmental, Earth, and Ocean Sciences Department, was highlighted in April's *Working Waterfront News*.

In May, **Jeff Dukes**, professor of biology, was interviewed and videotaped by *ScienCentral News* on his work on the origins of fossil fuels. The piece will be distributed to ABC affiliates nationwide to air during local news programs.

Chris Sweeney, director of the Division of Marine Operations, was quoted in the May issue of *WorkBoat* on the new, 63-foot, research boat being built for marine-related classes at UMass Boston.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE

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) 287 and the last four digits below each calendar event.

Submit calendar listings online at **umb.edu/news/calendar/.**

Wednesday 1

Beacon Fitness Center 30–30 Plyo–Kick Class
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Plyometric exercises for strength and calorie burning, and kickboxing-style aerobics. Contact: 7–6788 or **chris.fitzgerald@umb.edu.**

Yoga
1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Wednesdays, McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center Aerobics Room, 1st fl. For all levels. Students: free. Faculty/staff: $5.00. Mats provided. Also on Tuesdays, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Contact: 7–5680 or **linda.jorgensen@umb.edu.**

College of Science and Mathematics Honors Convocations
4:00 – 6:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, Ryan Lounge, 3rd fl. Reception from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. See **www.umb.edu/commencement**.

College of Liberal Arts Honors Convocations
7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Campus Center, Ballroom, 3rd fl. Reception to be held from 9:00 – 10:00 p.m., University Terrace, 1st fl. See **www.umb.edu/commencement**.

Thursday 2

Graduate Studies Convocation
5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Campus Center, Ballroom, 3rd fl. Reception to be held from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. in Campus Center, University Terrace, 1st fl. See **www.umb.edu/commencement**.

Friday 3

UMass Boston Commencement Exercises 2005
10:00 a.m., UMass Boston Campus Center lawn. Emily Rooney of WGBH's "Greater Boston" to give main commencement address. See **www.umb.edu/commencement.**

Monday 6

Beacon Fitness Center Class: Total Body Conditioning
11:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m., McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center, 1st fl. Strengthen all major muscle groups, including abs and lower back. Contact: 7-6786 or **hasan.bailey@umb.edu**.

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Eco-tours of UMass Boston
3:00 – 3:40 p.m., Tuesdays. Just off catwalk, 2nd floor near Campus Center. Learn more about UMass Boston's eco-friendly practices. RSVP by calling 7-5083 or **umbe.green@umb.edu**.

Thursday 9

Blue Balloon User Group
12:30 – 1:30 p.m., Campus Center, Rm. 2540. Informal forum to exchange tips and experiences with Prometheus or WebCT. Bring your lunch and wireless PCs. Contact: 7-3988 or **eileen.mcmahon@umb.edu**.

Friday 10

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Digital Classroom Seminar Series
12:30 p.m., Healey Library, Library Staff Lounge, 11th fl. Showcase for innovative use of technology in real and digital classrooms. Sandwiches, chips, soda, and cookies are provided courtesy of event sponsors: The Instructional Technology Center and the Division of Corporate and Continuing and Distance Education. Contact: 7-3998 or **eileen.mcmahon@umb.edu**.

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Friday 17

19th Annual Athletics Department UMass Boston Golf Classic
8:00 a.m., Franklin Park Golf Course. Get a registration form at **www.athletics.umb.edu**.

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Saturday 18

Boston Folk Festival Songwriting Contest and Concert
6:30 p.m., McCormack Hall, Ryan Lounge, 3rd fl. Hear five finalists perform their original works for a panel of judges in hopes of being chosen to perform at this year's Boston Folk Festival. Judges include Jennifer Kimball, Greg Greenway, and Eric Andersen. Contact: 7-6900 or **folkfest@umb.edu.**

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Miscellaneous

Alcoholics Anonymous
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Wednesdays. Campus Center, Rm. 4201, 4th fl. 12-step recovery meeting for people involved in recovery from alcohol or drug abuse. All are welcome. Contact: Sean Greene, 7-7981 or **sgrn18@aol.com.**

Beacon Fitness Center
Contact: 7-6786 or **athletics.umb.edu/beacon/index.htm** for schedule.

Clark Athletic Center
See **www.athletics.umb.edu** for schedules, scores, rosters, coaches, building hours, community member program, Beacon Fitness Center membership, etc. Contact: 7-7801.

Campus Ministry
Offerings include Interfaith Bible study, gospel choir club rehearsals, Catholic mass, Christian ecumenical worship, justice coalition workshops, etc. Contact: 7-5839 or **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.

Intramural Five-on-Five Basketball League
12:30 – 2:00 p.m., Mondays. Clark Athletic Center, LL, Gymnasium. Contact: 7-7830 or **richard.sledzik@umb.edu**.

Singles Racquetball League
McCormack Hall, 1st fl., Beacon Fitness Center. Round–robin format with one match per week. Contact: 7–7830 or **richard.sledzik@umb.edu**.

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