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Annual “Building One Community” Gala Celebrates Great Success

By Anne-Marie Kent

When Massachusetts General Hospital vice president and Harvard Medical School assistant professor Dr. Jean Elick ‘82 accepted the Chancellor’s Medal for Exemplary Leadership at the “Building One Community” Gala on April 20, she beamed at the crowd and said, “So is this a blast or what?” The sea of faces filling the Campus Center Ballroom cheered in agreement.

The “blast”—UMass Boston’s second annual gala to raise money for student scholarships—had begun with great fanfare. Guests were welcomed to the main Campus Center entrance by the Samurai Taiko Drummers, costumed musicians who furiously beat giant drums with thundering rhythms. Once inside, guests mingled and filtered throughout the Campus Center, where they were invited to sample international cuisine and enjoy musical entertainment by performers Alabreke, Street Magic Acapella, and the Boston Players.

Food-serving stations and bars were located on separate floors, an arrangement that encouraged mingling and wandering throughout.

By six o’clock that night, the Campus Center was humming with music and laughter. While some favored cocktail seating and conversation, others boldly took to the floor, dancing and clapping to the music, until everyone was shepherded into the ballroom for the main program, emceed once again by Boston State alumna and WGBH-TV news reporter Dan Rea ‘70.

After receiving a standing ovation, Chancellor Keith Motley (Cont. on page 2)

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recognized members of the University of Massachusetts Board of Trustees, UMass Boston vice chancellors, former chancellor Sherry Penney, 2004 honoree Clayton Turnbull, local political figures, student ambassadors, and event co-chairs William F. Kennedy and Bennie Pratt Wiley, as well as major donors.

The list of major donors included Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts; Comcast; The Mabbett Group; Jane Murphy Gaughan and Gerard L. Gaughan; MassHealth, in memory of Adalberto M. Lourenco ’94; Partners Healthcare; Savings Bank Life Insurance of Massachusetts; Bank of America; The Chickering Group; Massachusetts General Hospital Administration; and Mystic Valley Dermatology Associates—Donald J. Grande, MD.

Noting that UMass Boston is celebrating its 40th year in 2005, Motley said, “We are a mature, public urban university offering a solid education. We are a place of vigor and vitality, a place of dynamic possibility.”

The vitality was palpable. The wall-to-wall audience was cheerful and responsive, so much so that when University of Massachusetts president Jack Wilson took to the podium, he exclaimed, “What spirit in the room tonight?”

Wilson went on to speak about the power of public higher education to change lives. He added, “The individuals being recognized tonight are shining examples of the promise and fulfillment of a UMass education.”

Those individuals—Dr. Elrick, Arthur Mabbett, and Pamela Trefler—were then presented with the Chancellor’s Medals for Exemplary Leadership.

Dr. Jean Elrick ’82 speaks of her experiences at UMass Boston.

Pamela Trefler ’93 smiles at the applause she receives following the award of the Chancellor’s Medal for Exemplary Leadership.

Arthur Mabbett ’69 and his family celebrate his achievements.

(Photos by Margaret Brett)

Commencement (cont.)

The commencement procession will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will be held outdoors. The ceremony will be held at the Clark Athletic Center and each graduate will be limited to two of their five guest tickets. Graduates can confirm any guest tickets by calling the Office of University Communications or by going to umb.edu/commencement. Sale of guest tickets will begin April 18.

Traffic and parking will be very heavy on Commencement Day. The university urges all participants to use public transportation if at all possible. Parking at the university will be free, but spaces are limited and will fill up quickly. Satellite parking will be available at the Bayside Expo Center for $12 and a free shuttle bus will run continuously between the campus and the Expo Center.

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It’s not easy being a female politician in Boston, and a report by the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy (CWPPP) at UMass Boston shows just how difficult it is.

“It’s the first-ever study of women in Boston politics and the first-ever history of women in Boston politics,” said Carol Hardy-Fanta, Center director of the report, “As Tough As It Gets: Women in Boston Politics, 1921–2004.”

Hardy-Fanta oversaw the study, which covers women’s representation in cities and town governments from 1921 to 2004 and portrays the decline of women in local politics.

The Center published the 56-page study in March and held a panel discussion with State Representative Gloria Fox, City Councilor Maureen Feeney, Boston Globe columnist Eileen McNamara, and media and political strategist Joyce Ferris-Bubash in the Campus Center Ballroom on March 24.

Hardy-Fanta was very excited about the research and publication because it involved a collaboration of graduate student, faculty, and visiting scholar.

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The Center invited director of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy (CWPPP), Maura Henningan, city councilor, and Kristeen Petersen, CWPPP 2004-2005 Polly Logan Visiting Scholar, to participate in the March 24 panel. (Photo by Harry Brett)

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Along with the support of community members, local unions, elected officials, and local businesses, the Ferreras helped to raise over $177,000 in a series of fundraisers that was used to create five football teams and five cheerleader teams. For eight years, Dan and Bob have been involved as coaches and operations managers, overseeing details as wide-ranging as buying uniforms, lining the field, and selling hot dogs at concession stands.

Bob has also served as Pop Warner president. “It’s been a good experience,” said Dan of the many community ties he and his brother have made. “It’s really interesting to see the kids change and grow over a short period of time,” he added. Every year, boys and girls, ages 7 to 14, participate in the program, which begins on August 1 and runs throughout the fall. The league has been successful; three out of the seven years, teams have made the playoffs. Less measurable but more important, children in the league have flourished off the field as well.

“Pop Warner is like a carrot stick for our kids,” says Bob, who both coaches and serves as operations manager. “They can participate if they make academics a priority.”

Bob notes that the most rewarding thing is to know that many of the kids who play for Pop Warner go on to play in high school and college; they learn the importance of a good work ethic and benefit from a positive community experience. “You can learn a lot on the playing field,” said Bob, thinking of his own experience as a football player at Don Bosco Technical High School. “Being a high school player kept me on the track—it kept me focused.”

This is the nineteenth year the university presented the award, which is conferred in the spirit of community service and commitment to higher education demonstrated by Robert H. Quinn. As a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, Quinn co-sponsored the legislation that created UMass Boston and has worked for over 38 years to make higher education available to the citizens of Boston.

The university is also giving a special recognition to Mayor Thomas M. Menino ’88 for his long-standing commitment to all of the communities of Greater Boston. Menino is a graduate of the College of Public and Community Service.

A student enjoys one of the Jazzman’s gourmet treats. (Photo by Margaret Brett)

Think you can’t get a decent latte this far afield of Newbury Street? Think again! UMass Boston has opened a new coffee bar and cyber café in the lobby of the Healey Library that offers a wide range of Seattle’s Best coffees, fresh baked goods, and sandwiches and salads. The menu includes all kinds of expressos and sumptuous treats bound to ruin anyone’s diet, such as croissants, cookies, and muffins. The café offers table seating in the library lobby, counter top seating by the café, and a back room lit by skylights and furnished with nine computers with Internet access.

The university officially opened Jazzman’s Café on April 20 with a Chancellor’s Tea Party, followed by the official ribbon cutting for the latest dining at UMass Boston. Jazzman’s is open Monday through Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Gerontology Forum Examines the Future of Social Security

By Ed Hayward

The national discussion about the future of Social Security came to UMass Boston last month when the Gerontology Department and the Gerontology Institute brought the chief analyst from the Social Security Administration to campus to present the facts behind the 70-year-old social program.

In contrast to the political debate taking place in Washington, Chief Actuary Stephen C. Goss provided the audience of 150 students and community members with a look at the history and future of the safety net for America’s retired and disabled workers, their dependents, and survivors.

Goss, a career analyst for the Social Security Administration (SSA), was joined by television journalist Margie Reedy and Professor Yung Ping Chen, a nationally recognized researcher who holds the Frank J. Manning Endowed Chair in Gerontology.

“We put together this forum to bring the national debate about how to reform Social Security to the Boston area,” Professor Chen said. “This wasn’t just for retirees. People of all ages need unbiased information to distinguish among different ideas for reform. We couldn’t think of a better way to eliminate the confusion than bringing Mr. Goss to Boston to provide his objective, neutral analysis.”

The forum was designated an official 2005 White House Conference on Aging event, according to Professor Chen. But it was not to be confused with one of the “60 stops in 60 days” events connected with President George W. Bush’s efforts to tout his reform proposals across the country.

Goss is one of the nation’s foremost experts on Social Security and the pending reform proposals. He heads SSA’s Office of the Chief Actuary, which is responsible for cost estimates on all reform proposals.

Goss outlined a program facing challenges defined by U.S. population dynamics over the last half century, as well as by a broad range of economic factors. The chief issue is the dramatic decline in the number of workers per program beneficiary, Goss said. As they age, 77 million members of the “Baby Boom” generation are going to receive their benefits. The task of funding the program will fall to an increasingly outnumbered workforce.

Even Goss acknowledged, “Without change, trust funds will run out and benefits will be reduced.” However, he noted, there has been much debate about the number of years the program can continue to successfully function. Goss said the trust funds would run out in 2041 unless there is an adjustment to Social Security’s revenues and expenditures.

Professor Chen took issue with coverage of this important and complex debate by national news media, while Reedy acknowledged that Social Security reform is a tough issue for journalists to package.

“Social Security doesn’t get the kind of coverage it deserves,” said Reedy. “But how many issues can lay claim to bringing together AARP and Rock the Vote?”

She continued, in reference to the American Association of Retired Persons and the get-out-the-vote programming of MTV, which appeals to a much younger demographic.

Second Social Theory Forum Looks at the Legacy of Edward Said

Siamak Movahedi, chair of the Sociology Department, speaks at the second annual Social Theory Forum. Sociology faculty involved in the forum included Jorge Capetillo-Ponce, Glenn Jacobs, and Mohammad H. (Bebrooz) Tamdgidi. (Photo by Margaret Brett)

By Anne-Marie Kent

The second annual Social Theory Forum, held in the Campus Center Ballroom April 6 and 7, drew a host of distinguished lecturers, including Professor Charles Lertert, the Andreas Professor of Sociology at Wesleyan University; Professor Bruce Mazlish from Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Professor Hamid Dabashi from Columbia University; as well as scholars from all over the United States, Canada, Brazil, Germany, England, and Israel.

Several UMass Boston faculty members encouraged their classes to attend the forum.

The Social Theory Forum is a series of conference workshops, organized jointly by the Sociology Department and other interested faculty and students at UMass Boston, designed to explore, develop, promote, and publish cross-disciplinary social theory in an applied and liberating critical framework. The forum offers faculty and students an interactive medium to discuss various aspects of the ways in which particular theoretical traditions can be relevant to present everyday issues, the current state of social theory, and the future of social theory.

Titled “Theories and Praxes of Difference: Revisiting Edward Said in the Age of New Globalizations,” this year’s event addressed topics such as identity, the politics of Orientalism, the challenge of globalization, the psychoanalysis of difference, and the future of Palestine. In the words of co-organizer Professor Siamak Movahedi, the event was “a huge success.”

Professor Neil McLaughlin of McMaster University in Canada concurred. “The keynote addresses were first-rate, the level of intellectual discussion throughout the two days was excellent, and we were exposed to the exciting work of some emerging young scholars,” he said. “I learned much about the legacy and theories of Edward Said, a global public intellectual of the highest rank.”

McLaughlin said that the event was both “solidly sociological and interdisciplinary in its scope and range.”

Thanking College of Liberal Arts Dean Donna Kuizenga, Movahedi said, “With the university’s support, we hope to continue organizing this intellectual forum annually.” The first forum, “Liberating Social Theory: Inspiration From Paulo Freire for Learning, Teaching, and Advancing Social Theory in Applied Settings,” was held in April 2004.

University Partners with Dana-Farber to Provide Mammography Screenings

By Catherine Gardiner

University Health Services recently worked in conjunction with the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute to bring mammography screening and health education services to UMass Boston on April 19 in the form of two vans—a mammography screening van and the Blum Resource Van, which provides educational health materials. Both are part of a community service program created at Dana-Farber three years ago that provides annual screening to women 40 years and older, as well as screening to women 35 years and younger with a history of breast cancer. The vans target underserved women in the community. 35 women at UMass Boston took part in the screening day. “This event gave our nursing students a wonderful educational opportunity to participate in health promotion on-site and to see how health screening works,” says Kathleen Golden McAndrew, assistant vice chancellor of student affairs and executive director of University Health Services.

Campus activities were planned to coincide with National Minority Cancer Awareness Week beginning April 17. Dana-Farber’s Laurie Nsiah-Jefferson, director of minority and women’s health, and Karen Burns White, assistant director for minority initiatives, spoke on campus about disparities in health-care services between minority and well-off communities.

“We cannot bring programs on-site that help to improve the health of the campus community, we are delighted to do so. We are trying to remove any barriers that prevent access to health care,” says McAndrew.

On April 19, two health services vans from the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute offered screening and other educational tools to the university community. (Photo by Margaret Brett)

McAndrew worked with College of Nursing and Health Sciences dean Greer Glazer to approach Dana-Farber about bringing the mammography van services to campus.

Focusing on prevention is key, McAndrew notes, adding, “Dana-Farber’s health screening fits our missions and goals. They are an important partner for us now and in the future.”
In Memoriam: Robert C. Wood

By Leigh DuPuy

Word of Robert C. Wood’s death on April 1 came as sad news to the University of Massachusetts, which he served as president from 1970 through 1977. Wood suffered from stomach cancer.

A prolific academic, prominent policy advisor, and astute writer, Wood was long involved with UMass Boston as an administrator and scholar. During his presidency, he was instrumental in the push to add the Boston campus to the university system at its present location, as well as in bringing the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum to Columbia Point. Wood also taught political science at UMass Boston and collaborated on critical research with colleagues at the McCormack Institute, now the McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies.

Born in St. Louis in 1923, Wood was raised in Florida and won a scholarship to Princeton University. His studies were interrupted by a stint in the army; he graduated summa cum laude from Princeton, and earned master’s degrees and a doctorate in public administration and government at Harvard University.

Wood served as chairman of President Lyndon B. Johnson’s Task Force on Urban Problems and was critical to the formation of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As HUD undersecretary and later secretary, he was integral in the development of the Model Cities Program in 1966, which secured federal revenue for needy neighborhoods, and the Fair Housing Act of 1968, which prohibited racial discrimination in real estate sales.

During his tenure as University of Massachusetts president, Wood consistently opposed any substantial tuition raise, declaring, “any tuition increase that would yield significant revenue can only dis- courage students from poor families from attending the university and can only increase the proportion from well-to-do families,” according to his obituary in the Boston Globe.

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Paul Bookbinder, professor of history, provided opening remarks on the history of Rwanda and its genocide before the video was shown. Bookbinder, a scholar of the Holocaust, discussed the similarities between Germany’s holocaust and Rwanda’s genocide. “Within both societies, neighbor turned against neighbor with disastrous results,” said Bookbinder, observing that both countries’ government, media, and propaganda machines played roles in escalating hate and violence and that the rest of the world was slow to acknowledge the crisis and intervene.

While Nganj was in the United States during the genocide, his parents and two brothers were murdered in his home country. Nganj works to raise awareness of Rwandan genocide through promotion of two films that he helped produce, 100 Days and Keepers of Memory, and speaks such as “Mass Recruiting for Mass Murder.”

The Bernard A. Stotsky Lecture Series is hosted by the John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies. In 1990, Dr. Stotsky created the series in his memory of his parents, George and Bess Stotsky, who were instrumental in bringing more than two hundred people out of Europe before the Holocaust.

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Michael Cheson, professor of history, spoke about the book The Intimate World of Abraham Lincoln at the new Lincoln Presidential Museum in Springfield, Illinois, on April 17 and presented a talk on civil war medicine and surgeon J. Franklin Dyer on April 26 at the Boston Public Library.

On April 4, Oscar Guitierrez, associate professor of management science, conducted a focus group on the Homeless Management Information System for the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

In March, Harlyn Halvorson, director of the Policy Center for Marine Center Biosciences and Technology, hosted the two-day workshop “State of Lobster Science” at UMass Boston. Carol Hardy-Fanta, director of the Center for Technical and Public Policy, presented “Creating Cultural Diversity in Policy-making” at the New Hampshire Conference on Women in Policy.

Robert C. Hayden, lecturer in the College of Public and Community Service, served as discussant. Thomas O'Grady, professor of English, gave the keynote address “Critical Reflexivity, the English Composition Program,” at the 2005 National Human Services Data Consortium Conference, held at the “Addictions at Work: More Than Just a Workplace” conference.

Laurence Blum, professor of philosophy, responded to three criticisms of his 2002 book Virtuous Mental Health: The Duality of Respect” at the Massachusetts Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association’s Fourth Annual Community Forum, held on April 1.

On April 7, Judith Goleman, associate professor and director of the English Composition Program, lectured at the University of Pittsburgh on “Critical Reflexivity, Dogmatism, and the Teaching of Writing.”

In May, James Green, professor in the College of Public and Community Service, presented the keynote address for the Illinois Labor History Society in Chicago on the Haymarket affair of 1886, the subject of his forthcoming book. He also presided over the Labor and Working Class History Association’s annual meeting, held at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Susan Foley of the Institute for Community Inclusion presented research on women with disabilities in the workplace at Mass Bay Community College and UMass Boston.

Donna Haig Friedman, director of the Center for Social Policy, presented “Parenting in Public” at the Young Children without Homes Conference, held on April 27.

Marc Prou, assistant professor of Africana studies, presented “Perspectives on the Current, Social, and Political Contexts of Haiti” at the National Indusical Symposium on the Future of Democracy and Development in Haiti, held in Washington, D.C.

Jennifer Radden, professor of philosophy, presented “The Virtuous Mental Health Professional” at a 2004 Beinicke Seminar, held at St. Venerio’s Mental Health Service and the Department of Psychiatry, University of Melbourne, Australia, on March 18.

Professor Lorna Rivera of the College of Public and Community Service presented the paper “Contradictions in Policy: Homeless Women and Adult Basic Education” at the 86th annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association.

Rebecca Romanov of the English Department chaired the panel “The National Indusical Symposium on the Future of Democracy and Development in Haiti,” held in Washington, D.C.

Virginia Smith Harvey, professor in the Department of Counseling and School Psychology, made two presentations at the National Association of School Psychologists’ annual conference. “Supervisory Variable and School Psychologists’ Burnout” and “Hybrid Graduate Courses and Programs.”

Brian Thompson, professor of French, copresented a three-day workshop on the strategies and techniques for teaching French language and culture, held at the Massachusets Bay Cultural Library and Center on May 13. Thompson’s presentation is based on his book La Cité des mots et le pays: La Chanson dans la classe de français.

Juanita Urban-Rich, assistant professor in the EEOs Department, conducted the workshop “The Role of Arctic Sea Ice: A Vanishing Habitat” on April 26 at the Cambridge School of Weston.
Lloyd Schwartz, the Frederick S. Troy Professor of English, was selected as the “Artist of the Month” by ARTSomerville in April.

The following faculty, staff, and students received a spring STARS (Student Affairs Resources for Success) for their projects: Andrés Torres, director of the Gaston Institute; Steve Osmowinski and Herydien Latonick of the Black Student Center; Margaret McAllister of the Community and Family Nursing Program; Meghan Eades Mooney of Student Affairs; Ester Shapiro of the Psychology Department; Rajni Srikant of the English Department and University Honors Program; Heidi Barrett; and Donna Neal of Student Affairs.

For April, the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation awarded $156,000 to a research team at the New England Resource Center for Higher Education (NERCHE) in support of their national study of transfer opportunities that select schools offer high-ability, low-income community college students.

On May 17, Sherry Penney, professor of leadership in the College of Management, and her husband Jim Livingston of MIT were interviewed on Comcast CN2’s “Books of Our Time” on their book A Very Dangerous Woman. Marthe Wright and Women’s Rights.

An educational project by Juanita Urban-Rich of the New Environmental and Ocean Sciences Department involving a study of the Arctic with third- graders was the focus of a feature in the Milford Daily News on April 13.


Brian Thompson, chair of Modern Languages and director of Le Centre National de la Chanson, was interviewed for WGBH’s “The World” about the local musical group ZEM; four women who bring to life the songs of French singer Edith Piaf.
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) 287-8 and the last four digits below each calendar event.

Submit event calendars by Monday, May 16. Submit calendar listings online at umb.edu/calendar/. See the News and Events page on umb.edu for calendar listings online.

**MAY**

**Monday 2**

Beacon Fitness Center Class: Total Upper Body
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Mondays. McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center, 1st fl. All major muscle groups of the upper body, including core training. Contact: 7–6786 or chris.fitgerald@umb.edu.

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

Beacon Fitness Center: Aqua Aerobics, held on May 5. Contact: 7–7636 or peter.taylor@umb.edu.

African American Film Series: Chukura Institute: An African Feminist or Simply Feminine?
Reflections on the Works of Nana Azuonye on Asma’U, a nineteenth-century Indian-American woman attempting to strike a balance between her lesbian identity and traditional customs. Contact: 7–5671 or AsianOutreach@umb.edu.

Asian American Film Series: Chukura Institute: Critical and Creative Thinking
Presentations on the works of Asian American film series. Contact: 7–8039 or eileen.mcmahon@umb.edu.

Yoga
1:00 p.m., Tuesdays. McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center Aerobics Room, 1st fl. All for all levels. Students: Free. Faculty/staff $5. Mass provided. Also on Wednesdays, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Contact: 7–5680 or linda.jorgensen@umb.edu.

**Tuesday 3**

**Wednesday 4**

Mother’s Day Breakfast
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Campus Center, Alumni Lounge. Celebration of the dedication of mothers. Contact: 7–7549 or armmscenter@umb.edu.

Beacon Fitness Center 30–30
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Wednesdays. Plyometric exercises for strength and calorie burning, and kickboxing-style aerobics. Contact: 7–6786 or chris.fitgerald@umb.edu.

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Beacon Fitness Center: Aerobics Room, 1st fl. Perry on free parking. Also on May 6 and same time, and May 8, 2:00 p.m. Contact: 7–3640.

Beacon Fitness Center Class: Total Upper Body
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Wednesdays. Aerobics. Contact: 7–6786 or chris.fitgerald@umb.edu.

**Thursday 5**

Celebrating and Building University-Community Partnerships for Research, Teaching, and Outreach
5:00 – 8:00 p.m., Campus Center, Ballroom, 3rd fl. Featuring Chancellor Keith Moeller; Suffolk County Sheriff Andrea J. Cabral; Adrien Hasagawa, executive director of Citizens School University; and others. Contact: 7–5791.

**Friday 6**

Beacon Fitness Center Class: Abs and Flex
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Fridays. McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center Aerobics Room, 1st fl. Abdominal training and flexibility. Contact: 7–6786 or chris.fitgerald@umb.edu.

Beacon Fitness Center Class: On the Ball
12:30 – 1:30 p.m., Fridays. McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center Aerobics Room, 1st fl. Exercises on a physio ball. Contact: 7–6786 or chris.fitgerald@umb.edu.

University Chorus and Chamber Singers Spring Concert 2005
7:30 p.m. United First Parish Unitarian, 1306 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA. Featuring Joshua Reif, conductor; Terry Halos, accompanist. Re-quested donation: $5.00 ($3.00 students and seniors). Church is accessible to Quincy Center Station on the MBTA Red Line. Contact: 7–5640 or mark.yian@umb.edu.

**Saturday 7**

UMass Boston: Men's Basketball vs. Western Connecticut State University
12:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. Contact: 7–7081.

**Monday 9**

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Graduation Celebration for the College of Management Honors and Graduate Students
7:00 – 9:30 p.m., McCormack Hall, Ryan Lounge, 3rd fl. All CPCS graduates and their families/friends are invited to attend. Light supper and music by UMass Boston Jazz Combo. Contact: 7–1214 or susan@umebgenre.dinger@umb.edu.

**Friday 13**

Beacon Fitness Center Class: Abs and Flex
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Fridays. McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center Aerobics Room, 1st fl. Exercises on a physio ball. Contact: 7–6786 or chris.fitgerald@umb.edu.

Spring Dance Kaleidoscope 2005
8:00 p.m. McCormack Hall, McCormack Theatre, 2:08. Directed by Robert Lubin. Tickets: $10.00 ($7.00 students and seniors). Also on May 6 and same time, and May 8, 2:00 p.m. Contact: 7–3640.

Boston Harbor Symposium 2005: A Tribute to Judge A. David Mazzone
3:00 – 6:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, Ballroom, 3rd fl. Urbans Harbors Institute event to celebrate the twenty-year anniversary of the Boston Harbor cleanup federal case. Contact: 7–5570.

**Thursday 19**

Gerontology Doctoral Dissertation Defense: The Aging Baby Boom Cohort: Predictors of Condom Use for Disease Prevention
10:00 a.m., Wheathley Hall, 3-125. Featuring Ph.D. candidate Jennifer Warren. Contact: 7–7302.

Qunn Award Community Breakfast
8:30 – 10:00 a.m., Campus Center, Ballroom, 3rd fl. Featuring honorees Bob and Dan Ferrera and The Hon. Thomas M. Menino. Contact: 7–5300.

College of Public and Community Service Celebration of Graduation
7:30 – 9:30 p.m., McCormack Hall, Ryan Lounge, 3rd fl. All CPCS graduates and their families/friends are invited to attend. Light supper and music by UMass Boston Jazz Combo. Contact: 7–1214 or susan@umebgenre.dinger@umb.edu.

**Monday 23**

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3:00 – 6:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, Ballroom, 3rd fl. Urbans Harbors Institute event to celebrate the twenty-year anniversary of the Boston Harbor cleanup federal case. Contact: 7–5570.

Graduation Celebration for the Women in Politics and Public Policy Program
6:00 – 8:30 p.m., Location TBA. A celebration for graduates of the program, families, friends, and guests. Contact: 7–6785 or donna.stewartson@umb.edu.

Memorial Day.
University closed.

**Tuesday 31**

Free Tuesday Harbor Cruises
12:00 – 1:15 p.m., Fox Point Landing. Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Boston Harbor Islands and its neighboring surroundings aboard the MV Hurricane. Harbor cruises are free with a current and valid UMMS ID and $5.00 without ID. Seats are available on a first-come-first-served basis. Contact: 7–5404 or opr@umb.edu.

University of Massachusetts Boston Commencement Exercises 2005
9:30 a.m., UMass Boston Campus Center lawn. Contact: 7–3131 or of umwb.commencement/.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

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

Clark Athletic Center
Open Monday through Friday: 10:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday: 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. Contact: 7–7801 for schedules, scores, rosters, coaches, building hours, community program, Beacon Fitness Center membership, etc. Contact: 7–7801.

Campus Ministry
Offers 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/.

Eco-tours of UMass Boston 3:00 – 4:30 p.m., Tuesdays. Just off walkway, 2nd fl. Campus Center. Learn more about UMass Boston’s eco-friendly practices. RSVP by call 7–5838 or umbe.green@umb.edu.

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

Instructional Technology Center
Interested in expanding your technol- ogy horizons? Visit the ITC website at www.itc.umb.edu, or contract 7–2990.

Cassique Racquetball League
McArdle 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 Channel
Saturdays, 7:00 p.m. Interviews with scholars, writers, and public officials examining current issues of interest to the people of Massachusetts. Contact: 7–6900.