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The library staff now has on order some 11,753 volumes to add to the holdings of the UMass-Boston libraries. The orders to publishers represent requests from all academic disciplines. The encumbrance for these orders is \$123,815.74 and comes from the capital outlay account.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Massachusetts will hold their monthly meeting at the Amherst campus tomorrow (Wednesday) at 11 a.m.

President Robert C. Wood today at noon in the Faculty Club will review the University's budget request which is being submitted to the Executive Branch.

This is the-time of year when local high schools have "College Nights", a program to give seniors a view on what various colleges and universities have to offer. Donald Costello and his staff have 15 of these nights scheduled for October. The Admissions staff maintains close contact with over 50 high schools within a 30-mile radius of the campus, and has a special interest in the Boston high schools.

Five photographers, both professional and teachers in the field, will exhibit their works at the Art Gallery from October 6 through October 27, Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The exhibit is sponsored by the University Cultural Events Committee. The artists are Gus Kayafas, Ron MacNeil, Tom Norton, Bobbi Carrey Osler, and Lee Post.

Telephone Directory information forms were mailed out last week to all university departments. Any department which failed to receive the forms or need additional forms should call extension 223 or 224 and the forms will be delivered immediately. The forms are to be returned to the departmental secretary for return to Computer Facilities by Thursday, October 4th. Complete lists will then be returned to departments for verification. Your cooperation is returning the forms quickly will assist us in publishing a timely and accurate phone directory. Bomb Threat Procedures for Students, Faculty and Staff The following guidelines are published for the safety of Students, Faculty and Staff of the University:

Special Procedures in Case of Bomb Threats

Notice: All persons entering the University buildings shall be subject to these Regulations and Procedures in connection with bomb threats. UMass-Boston will not be responsible for any injury to persons or property resulting from failure to observe these Rules and Regulations.

1. Immediately upon learning of a bomb threat, the Security Office will sound three (3) short blasts of the fire fire alarm and repeat the signal once. Persons in the building may evacuate or not, as they choose.

2. Volunteer bomb searchers will proceed immediately to the Security Station in the building for assignment. The City of Boston and State Police will be notified.

3. Upon receiving a report that a suspicious object or the finding of a bomb, the Security Office will sound a sustained blast on the fire alarm. At this time all persons will evacuate the building immediately, observing the evacuation procedures established in case of fire.

4. In the case of mandatory evacuation of the building, Security Officers will allow the building to be reoccupied only after the following conditions:

A. The City or State Police Officer in charge has indicated that a search has been made and nothing was found;

B. A bomb or other suspicious object has been removed to a safe distance from the building.

Volunteers are needed for the Bomb Search Teams to augment the maintenance staff.

These teams will be given an indoctrination course in search procedures by the Boston Police Emergency Squad, but will not be allowed to handle a suspicious object or bomb.

By having qualified search teams, the building can be inspected quickly and if found clean, can be reopened, thus keeping the disruption to a minimum.

Volunteers are asked to call the Physcial Plant Office extension 227 or 252 to enlist.

University Computing Services

Blood Donors Needed

Special Parking

Governor Francis Sargent has appointed Dean John Strange (College of Public and Community Service) as a member of the Advisory Council to the Board of Higher Education for the Title I Community Service and Continuing Education Program.

The Massachusetts Board of Higher Education has announced the appointment of 25 members to serve a major role in guiding and directing the growth of public higher education. They become the members of three newly established committees which will assist the Board in its academic program approval and review activities. Richard Freeland has been named to the four-year Academic Advisory Committee.

All interested members of the university are invited to attend an open meeting concerning plans for computing services for the Boston campus and for the entire university to be held on Wednesday, October 11th from 12:30 to 3:30 in the Chancellor's Conference Room.

Dr. Conrad Wogrin, recently appointed as Acting Director to the newly created post of Director of University Computing Services, will be in attendance and Dr. Wogrin and Joe E. Crick will discuss the current planning activities for supplying computer services to the entire university. All interested faculty or staff members are encouraged to attend and enter into the discussions.

Students and faculty who have been looking for Mrs. Linda Stone, Staff Assistant for the Teacher Certification Program, in the last few weeks have been distressed to hear that she has been ill off and on since late summer. Despite her illness, Mrs. Stone has been able to take care of her duties from her home. The treatment of Mrs. Stone's illness has required large quantities of blood. We should like to ask all of the many students, staff and faculty who know Mrs. Stone and who are able to give blood to do so in her name either at the New England Deaconess Hospital (185 Pilgrim Rd., Boston -- from 10:00 to 2:00, or by appointment) or at any Red Cross Blood Donor Center (When giving blood, be sure you indicate that it is for Mrs. Stone at the Deaconess Hospital.)

The parking spaces at the Arlington Street entrance of the Main building are reserved for handicapped students with HP or V license plates. Boston Police will tag or tow other cars on those spaces.

UMass Dean Sees Need To Teach Skills Courses

By AMANDA HARRIS

Dorothy Marshall, considered the highestranking woman in American education, believes in the "Pull-up-your socks concept: if you want something, you go out and get it."

A long and impressive career in education has culminated in her present appointment as Provost and Dean of the Faculty at the University of Massachusetts at Boston. She is in charge of all faculty appointments and academic programs at this mega-versity of 53,000 students.

SHE BRINGS TO HER JOB, and to UMass, years of experience at different types of colleges around the country and around the world.

Although she firmly believes in the value of the traditional liberal arts education, she does not skrink from the university's responsibility to branch out, seek new avenues of involvement with society and experiment to meet the demands of today's students.

Mrs. Marshall earned her degrees at Smith and Bryn Mawr, where she studied modern languages, history and political science. Her interest in Spanish took her to the University of Madrid for two years, as well as to various colleges in Latin America.

AFTER TEACHING for 28 years at Bryn Mawr, where she also served as Dean of the College, she moved to Massachusetts and became Director of Special Studies at Holy Cross. In this capacity she was in charge of the experimental and honors programs.

"It was quite a change from an Ivy League's women's college to an all-male, Jesuit school," she remembers. "But it was a rich and rewarding experience. And I am glad they decided to go coed."

FOREMOST AMONG the innovations is the re-organization to the collegiate system.

"We want to avoid the student anonymity endemic to a large urban university," she explains. UMass is now divided into three colleges, known, until more inspiring names come along, as Colleges One, Two and Three.

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One and Two, which opened this fall, offer liberal arts programs, each with its own distinct character — one specializing in environmental studies, the other in interdisciplinary studies.

"One and Two are completely separate independent governments and courses — and the particular emphasis of each one will be decided by the students and faculty involved," says Mrs. Marshall.

College Three will be different and, in fact, unique. Conceived as an alternative to liberal arts education, it will offer a four-year program towards a certificate in public and community service.

Scheduled to open in September, 1973, with 300 students. Three will be geared towards career preparation in fields like urban health services and criminology.

IN ADDITION to these curricular changes, the university is moving from downtown Boston to a new campus in Columbia Point. Slated for completion next September, the Dorchester site will include an administration building, a new library and facilities for

Colleges One and Two. College Three will be housed in the present UMass building at 100 Arlington st.

Mrs. Marshall is clearly enthusiastic about the university's plans. "We're here because we have an obligation to the urban com? munity," she says. "We must do everything we can to help our students."

But, like practically every other American college, large and small, the cloud of insolvency looms over UMass. Recent state legislation has severely restricted what Mrs. Marshall calls "our experiments in educational technology." "WE HAVE SEVERE money problems," she admits. "Approximately 40 percent of our students come from the lower-income brackets. Many work 20, 30 or 40 hours a week, have a family and are dead serious about their education.

"The university has a tremendous moral responsibility to serve these students," she emphasizes. "But without money, the house of cards will come tumbling down."

She has recently returned from a threeweek trip to South America where she visited universities in Peru, Colombia and Chile. She was struck by the growing need for universities to adapt themselves to social realities and to actively teach students practical skills.

This is a role she believes that UMass can fill. "I wanted passionately to work in a large urban school. It's very, very hard work — but exhilarating," she beams.

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