Gerontology Institute Scholar Outlines Plan for Baby Boomers' Long-Term Care

By Anne-Marie Kent

Long-term care is something most people would prefer not to think about, acknowledges Yung-Ping Chen, the Frank J. Manning Eminent Scholar's Chair in Gerontology, in a recent Boston Globe op-ed piece. However, with 76 million aging baby boomers, Chen warns that the subject cannot be avoided for long. Costs are skyrocketing. Nationally, the average annual cost for nursing home care is $55,000, and $27,000 for home health care, each cost having risen at rates higher than inflation for many years.

The Massachusetts Legislature has passed a budget for fiscal year 2003 that reduces Medicaid spending by about 20 percent and eliminates coverage for about $0,000 long-term unemployed residents. Even without these cuts, writes Chen, costs for long-term care would be prohibitive. Heavy reliance on Medicaid, already the second-largest budget item in most states, is not viable.

"If government and the private sector would design better ways to pay for chronic care, more Americans might be inclined to plan for it," writes Chen.

Chen points out that because only a small proportion of the elder population needs such care at any one time, this contingency is best protected by insurance. An insurance policy, he points out, enables the insured to accept a small but certain cost, or premium payment, as a means to avert a much larger loss. Currently, however, the role of insurance in funding long-term care is limited. Instead, personal out-of-pocket payments and Medicaid pay about 70 percent of the cost. "This system is unstable and unsustainable. New ways to provide funding must be found," writes Chen.

Some propose expanding Medicare to include long-term care or creating a new social insurance program to pay for it. But, given the huge amount of resources needed to ensure continued solvency of Social Security and Medicare, it is doubtful, writes Chen, that there would be new tax revenue to pay for either option. Others promote private long-term care insurance. As an incentive,premium

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The Joiner Center Celebrates Twenty Years of Study and Response to the Consequences of War

By Peter Grennen

On October 25 at the John F. Kennedy Library, Chancellor Gora was joined by political dignitaries, scholars, and other guests for a special anniversary toast. That day marked twenty years since the William Joiner Center for the Study of War and Social Consequences officially opened its doors. The commemorative gala was hosted by Chancellor Gora and Senator John Kerry. Senator Kerry delivered the keynote address. Those gathered for the occasion celebrated a vital and respected institution. Named for an African American war veteran and the university's first director of veterans' affairs, the Center was established at the urging of UMass Boston veterans who had identified a pressing need. "A blanket of amnesia about the war in Vietnam—and alarming misinformation among the young—had enveloped the nation only seven years after the war ended," says Professor Paul Atwood, a founding member of the Center and one of its first directors.

Under the guidance of Kevin Bowen, director for the past seventeen years, the Center has devoted much of its resources to examination of the Vietnam War, but has also engaged in studies of World War II, the Korean War, and, more recently, the Gulf War and other areas of conflict. The Center was one of the first organizations to reestablish contact with Vietnam after the war, with the assistance of the Ford Foundation, the U.S. Department of State, and other agencies, it has sponsored cultural, economic, and educational exchanges since 1987.

The Center has also turned its attention to veterans' current pursuits. Paul Camacho, director of special projects and programs, has worked tirelessly for full implementation of the Veterans' Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development Program.
Urban Harbors Institute and Division of Marine Operations Collaborate on Spectacle Island Restoration

By Jack Wiggin

On October 4, a team of volunteers removed over 20,000 feet of surplus irrigation pipe from the slopes of Spectacle Island for re-use by the New Entry Sustainable Farming Project in Lowell and Dracut, Massachusetts. UMass Boston’s Urban Harbors Institute (UHI) and Division of Marine Operations were among a host of public and private sector organizations that planned and carried out this latest mission to transform Spectacle Island into a showpiece of sustainable practices.

Spectacle Island is one of the thirty-four islands that comprise the Boston Harbor Islands national park area. The story of Spectacle Island is one of reclamation and restoration, an environmental “rags to riches.” Over the past decade, Spectacle Island has been transformed from an abandoned, smoldering landfill for the City of Boston to a public park with a marina, a visitors and education center, and extensive and dramatic open space. Using over 3.6 million cubic yards of material excavated from the Central Artery/Tunnel project, the former dump was capped and the fill was used to create a park setting, complete with the planting of grass and thousands of trees, shrubs, and flowers.

An elaborate irrigation system had been installed for watering the plantings. The Central Artery/Tunnel project and state agencies released the system when it was no longer needed on the island for donation to the New Entry Sustainable Farming Project. The New Entry Sustainable Farming Project (NESFP), sponsored by Tufts University, supports development of small vegetable farming efforts of immigrants, mainly from Cambodia. Ethnic produce is grown for family use and is traded in local farmers markets and sold to some restaurants.

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Chancellor Gora Works with Children at Community Bulb Planting Day

Chancellor Gora helps John Barnes, a middle schooler at the Little House Alternative School, plant bulbs and flowers in the American Airlines Flight 11 that crashed into the north tower of the World Trade Center in New York.

Long-term care (cont.)

ums for some of these policies are already tax deductible, but few people buy them.

“Alone, neither social nor private insurance will solve the problem. A new funding model is needed,” writes Chen. “The government could create a social insurance plan to cover basic long-term care, to be supplemented by private insurance and out-of-pocket payments.” When these three sources fail to provide for some individuals, Chen explains, Medicaid would pick up the cost.

These are the same funding sources presently in use, but Chen's model would deploy them differently. Chen advances the concept of tradable benefits in using existing resources. He explains that this type of trading already exists under the "cafeteria" or "flexible benefit" plan, a type of employee benefits program that allows workers some choice in selecting different types or levels of benefits within a fixed amount of employer dollars.

Chen proposes that the government could create a social insurance program for covering basic long-term care by using a small portion of Social Security benefits, exempting low-income individuals from the trade-off. “Exchanging income protection for long-term care protection would strengthen a person’s total economic security,” writes Chen. “In the private sector, industry could encourage more purchasing of long-term care insurance by linking it to life insurance or annuities, using the trade-off principle. For example, a person could buy a combination policy that pays long-term care benefits, if needed, by commensurately reducing life insurance benefits.”

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Retired General Reflects on United States’ Policy Towards Iraq

By Michael McPhie

Wesley K. Clark, retired general of the US Army, was the distinguished guest of the John W. McCormack Institute of Public Affairs on October 10. Over seventy-five people came to hear the former Supreme Allied Commander of Europe discuss his reflections on the US policy towards Iraq.

Edmund Beard, director of the McCormack Institute, introduced Clark and gave an account of the general’s impressive military career, which includes command at every level from company to division. Clark is both a soldier and scholar, graduating first in his 1966 class of the United States Military Academy at West Point and holding a master’s degree in philosophy, politics, and economics from Oxford University, where he studied as a Rhodes Scholar.

Clark, who was the NATO commander in charge of the effort to stop the crisis in Kosovo in 1999, spoke of his experiences about the chaos of unpreparedness. It is exactly this chaos that has led Clark to raise a voice of concern over the lack of a long-range plan for exactly what took place in Bosnia. Clark spoke of the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989, seeing it as a time when the U.S. lost its adversaries and failed in its foreign policy strategy. At that time there were two groups in Washington debating the role of the military; one group saw the military merely as the fighter and winner of wars; another group, led by Madeleine Albright, saw the military as a useful tool in aiding third world countries.

In comparing the two most recent presidencies, Clark described the Clinton administration as pursuing a foreign policy of engagement and reaching out as opposed to the Bush administration’s pre-emption policy and striking out. Clark, when asked where the push to invade Iraq was coming from, rejected the idea that it was the military that wanted to go to war. He blamed civilian advisors to President Bush who were pushing in that direction.

Clark stated his view that terrorism is the problem, not Iraq. He also voiced concern that Americans not blame Islam, and spoke of his belief that US interests are best served in reaching out to those who do not embrace the ideals of radical Islam.

Healey Library Partners with Boston Library Consortium to Offer Continuous Online Reference Services

By Janet Stout

This fall, the Healey Library is joining the Boston Library Consortium (BLC) ASK 24/7 online reference project to expand their services to the university community. Beginning November 12, the online reference tool will offer “24/7” service to students and staff who are able to connect to the service from the Healey Library homepage www.lib.umb.edu. Chat reference users will not only get answers to their questions, but can access the assistance of reference librarians, who will be able to “go-browse” with the user and actually see what is happening on his or her screen. Librarians can then show the user how to find information on the web and in the online databases, as well as provide direct information.

BLC is providing the services as a two-year experiment and will be evaluating service demand and the adequacy of shared chat reference to provide satisfactory service to its users. UMass Boston is one of the many BLC institutions participating in the first year of the project, including Boston College, Brandeis University, Northeastern University, Tufts University, University of Connecticut, UMass Amherst, University of New Hampshire, and Williams College.

Staff at the participating institutions will share in providing service 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Other librarians throughout the country who use the same chat reference vendor will provide evening and weekend service. In exchange for the 24-hour coverage, BLC librarians will answer questions from around the country for a portion of the 40 hours of service that they provide. However, reference librarians will always be able to give priority to users coming from BLC institutions.

Online chat reference service is already available on a limited basis to students and staff at UMass Boston. The Healey Library has provided service for the past year in cooperation with librarians at UMass’s five campuses. However, due to staffing obligations, the service had been limited to 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. This new BLC project will allow library staff to expand the hours of service as they share the work with the reference staff of other institutions.

The new service will be yet another tool for faculty and students to use. They can access the reference help on the fourth floor of the library, phone reference assistance 7-5940, and e-mail reference help at library.reference@umb.edu

Author Shares His Experiences On the Road with Hillary

By Lisa Greggo

Colorful balloons and inviting tables decorated the hallways at the grand opening of the new Wellness Center, held on October 9 in McCormack Hall. University Health Services provided visitors with free cholesterol and glucose screenings, as well as information about a variety of topics, including blood donation, birth control, asthma, and allergies.

Linda Jorgensen, director of health education and wellness programs for University Health Services, explained, “We took all of our existing programs, added new ones, and rolled them into one. Our hope for the Wellness Center is to help people focus on self-improvement.” Some of the programs offered include health screenings, alcohol and drug education, yoga, Reiki, time management skills, and the “clean-sweep” program, a hundred-point inventory to help people prioritize their time.

The Wellness Center occupies a warm and inviting space and has comfortable furniture where people can sit and look through a library of books and pamphlets on subjects such as depression, self-confidence, and exam panic. Students can also access the website on one of three center computers.

Kathleen Golden-McAndrew, executive director of University Health Systems, said, “The Wellness Center has working relationships with the Fitness Center and the psychology, athletics, and nursing departments. Our goal is to meet the needs of the students and to do outreach. This central location for programs and groups will help students to know that this is the place to go.”

Golden-McAndrew encourages students to go online and join the mailing list. “We want to know what students want,” she said.

The Wellness Center is open to all students, staff, and faculty, and is located at McCormack Hall, 1-613. You can access their website at www.umbwellness.org.

University Health Services Debuts Wellness Center

What was it like to be the advance man for Hillary Clinton in the nine years between her husband’s inauguration and her own election as senator? Pat Halley told all to political science students at UMass Boston on October 10. Maurice Cunningham, chair of the Political Science Department, invited the author of On the Road with Hillary to share his unique experiences with his classes, which included traveling to over 36 countries and 25 states with the former first lady. Halley spoke at length about the number of details and logistics he needed to consider in preparation for a visit by Clinton, including the need to negotiate with foreign governments, working with the media, and building crowds. He said he first thought of writing the book after touring the Kremlin with Boris Yeltsin and the Clintons. (Photo by Harry Brett)
Teaching with Technology: Faculty Spotlight on Woojin Paik

By Sara Baron

While you might expect a computer science faculty member to use computers in teaching, Woojin Paik exceeds this expectation by truly incorporating instructional technology into his teaching and student learning. Many of his methods are applicable to academic fields throughout campus.

Paik uses technology in several ways in his computer programming and artificial intelligence classes. He presents content and theory in a traditional classroom using PowerPoint slides, Internet web sites, and software downloa...
Professor Malcolm Smuts taped a presentation for a new interactive video exhibit on the first Thanksgiving for the Plimoth Plantation Museum. (Photo by Harry Brett.)

points out that it was very common in England for kings and other men of rank to travel with a large entourage and to feast at the households of other men of rank. At these times, they often made presents of venison. "I suggest that the English would therefore interpret the native's behavior within a familiar set of assumptions about hospitality," Smuts explains.

He points out that English agricultural practices were highly detrimental to the Native American habitat, making the communal celebration sadly ironic. Not only did the English believe they improved English enclosures by landing it, they also considered such enclosures as established property rights.

"In England unenclosed land was treated as common land, which they used to graze animals," says Smuts. As a result, the settlers let herds of sheep and pigs graze in "common" land, which destroyed native plots and forage for deer and wildlife. He says, "These colonial practices wreaked havoc with the native habitat, forcing Native Americans to adopt English enclosures to protect their fields and eventually eliminating wild deer from eastern Massachusetts."

Smuts points out that English believed they had a religious and moral imperative to improve nature, and that those who didn't improve nature lost their rights to the property. "They believed Native Americans didn't improve their land, and thus, they deserved to lose their property rights," explains Smuts. The first Thanksgiving can be seen as a cautionary tale, Smuts points out. "This 17th century story dovetails on the proliferation of today's western technology and industry which imposes on other cultures. It can be both a disruptive and productive influence. This is a morally ambiguous story of real significance."

Smuts, who has been associated with the Plimoth Plantation Museum through conferences and projects throughout the years, hopes UMass Boston and the Museum can work together on continued educational outreach to schools and local communities.

Five New UMass Trustees Appointed

Governor Jane M. Swift appointed five new members to the board of trustees of the University of Massachusetts.

The new members are: William F. Kennedy, an attorney with Nutter, McClennen & Fish in Boston; Stacey Rainey, former senior advisor and deputy chief of staff to Governor Swift; Robert K. Sheridan, CEO of Savings Bank Life Insurance in Woburn; Ellen Zane, network president for Partners HealthCare System, Inc., and Dr. Timothy J. Babineau, a surgeon for Boston Medical School and associate professor of surgery at Boston University School of Medicine.

The University of Massachusetts board of trustees is composed of 24 members, five of whom are student members from the Amherst, Boston, Dartmouth, Lowell, and Worcester campuses. With the exception of student trustees, the governor appoints all members of the board.

Celebrating Emerging Leaders First Anniversary

By Sherry Penney and Melissa Fasel

Over 200 business and community leaders, 32 fellows, and 40 nominees attended the October 9 luncheon in celebration of the first anniversary of the Emerging Leaders Program in the Center for Collaborative Leadership.

Members of the advising board were present to congratulate the fellows who completed the program, including Marshall N. Carter, former CEO of State Street Corporation and a lecturer at the Kennedy School of Government, and keynote speaker Rosabeth Moss Kanter of the Harvard Business School.

The Emerging Leaders Program began in 2000 with two major goals to recruit a diverse group of emerging leaders from the Greater Boston area and to provide them with the skills in collaborative leadership.

They began a nine-month program in January 2001 that focused on team building and collaborative leadership. Throughout their term, the fellows attended sessions focusing on leadership skills. They also worked in teams on issues facing the Greater Boston area. In September, teams presented results for their projects on corporate citizenship, financial literacy, affordable housing, access to health care, access to economic opportunity, and life after the Central Artery to Mayor Thomas M. Menino.

The program invited a wealth of speakers throughout the year, which included Carter, Robert Mudge of Verizon, Ralph Martin of Bingham, Dana, & Gould LLP, Greg Moore of the Boston Globe, Paul Le Camara of WCVB-TV, Marlan Heard of the United Way, and Speaker of the House Thomas Finneran.

The next class of fellows will be selected in November and begin their program in January 2003.

The program has received support from The Boston Foundation, The Boston Globe Foundation, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Mellon New England, in addition to the founding gift from the State St. Corporation.

The Center is directed by Sherry H. Penney, the first holder of the Sherry H. Penney Endowed Professorship in Leadership. The Emerging Leaders Program is managed by Vicki Milledge, and several other faculty and staff have assisted the program or serve on the internal advisory committee.

John Becker Wins Top Council for Opportunity in Education Award

Joan Becker, associate vice provost for academic support services, won the Walter O. Mason Award in recognition for her commitment to increasing access to higher education. (Photo by Harry Brett)

By Samuel Heizmann

What do the following UMass Boston programs have in common? Upward Bound, Veterans Upward Bound, Urban Scholars, Project REACH, Math Science Upward Bound, Admission Guaranteed Program, Health Careers Opportunity Program, and the Gavin GEAR UP? Yes, all they are preparing targeted populations for university study by providing participants with study skills instruction, tutoring, and advising. These programs or other programs were recognized by the Council for Opportunity in Education (COE). COE is a non-profit organization that works in tandem with colleges and universities to help low-income aspirants enter and graduate from college. At a September ceremony in Washington, D.C., Becker was presented with the COE's Walter O. Mason Award, which "celebrates excellence in the advancement of educational opportunities for low-income and under-served students."

"Surprised and humbled" by the Mason Award, Becker says, "It is the highest honor the council bestows. While awards are great, Becker believes, her students' accomplishments are just as meaningful. "I measure success by the number of students who are able to reach their full potential," she says.

Initially recruited by UMass Boston in 1984 to develop the Urban Scholars Program, Becker brings her enthusiasm to this and the other pre-collegiate programs the university offers to increase access to higher education. "I do the work because it needs to be done," she says Becker simply. She adds, "If we are serious about the democratic ideals that serve as the foundation of this country, we have a responsibility to 'love other people's children' and to ensure that they have the same education we would demand for our own."
Deborah Hirsh, director of the New England Resource Center for Higher Education (NERCHE) in the Graduate College of Education, participated as a fellow at a symposium at the Salzburg Seminar, held in Austria from September 17 to 22. The Universities Project Symposium on Academic Career Patterns brought together senior colleagues from universities in Russia, Europe, and North America to focus on challenges facing leaders in higher education.

William Holmes, faculty member of the College of Public and Community Service, will present the paper "Wrongful Conviction and Capital Punishment: The Legacy of Lynching" at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology in November.

Robert Johnson, Jr., associate professor of art in the African American Studies Department, presented the paper "From Lobengula to Losine: A Comparative Analysis of Legal Amissals in Two Centuries" in the Fourteenth Annual Conference of the Haitian Studies Association, which was held in Haiti, October 17 to 19. While there, he also led the panel "Reconstructing History: Legal Issue, Policies, and the Employment:"

In October, Professor Pamela Jones of the Art Department delivered the lecture "Scenic Viewers of Caravaggio's 'Madonna of Loreto'" at John Cabot University in Rome.

Peter Kiang, professor of education and director of the Asian American Studies Program, presented an invited paper, "Checking Southeast Asian American Realities in Pan-American American Agendas," at the Roundtable on Emerging Asian American Civil Rights Issues convened by the Civil Rights Project at Harvard University in October.

Esther Kingston-Mann, professor of American studies and history, presented her research "The Romance of Privatization: Historical Case Studies from England, Russia, and Kenya (with a 'Chinese' Variation)" at the Social Science History Association National Conference, held on October 25 in St. Louis.

Mari Koerrei of the Graduate College of Education gave an interactive presentation, "Family Diversity: Adoptive Families and Schools," with collaborators at the National Association of Multicultural Education Conference, which was held in Washington, D.C., from October 30 to November 3.

The paper "An Analysis of the Retention of First Time Freshmen at a Public University" by Kevin Anderson, public policy doctoral candidate and employee with the Office of Institutional Research, has been accepted for presentation at the North East Association for Institutional Research 29th Annual Conference, held in Maryland in November.

Margaret Musman, dance director for the Department of Theatre Arts and Dance and graduate program coordinator for the Department of Exercise Science and Physical Education (ESPE), presented "The Role of Assessment in Dance Pedagogy" at the 16th World Congress on Dance Research held in Greece, from October 30 to November 3. The paper was co-authored with Ann Marie Galls, an ESPE assistant professor.

Susan Opotow, associate professor in the Political Science Department, led a paper presentation at the 16th World Congress on Dance Research held in Greece, from October 30 to November 3. The paper was co-authored with Ann Marie Galls, an ESPE assistant professor.

Marc Pompian, professor of computer science, co-authored "Neurally-Inspired Model for Detecting and Localizing Motion Patterns in Image Sequences," which was accepted as a paper for the 4th Workshop Dynamic Perception conference held at the University of Bochum, Germany.

Marc Prou, assistant professor of Africana studies, was the organizer and co-chair of the Haitian Studies Association's 14th Annual conference, "Communicating: Images and Realities of Haiti," of which the African Studies Department was a co-sponsor.

Lauret F. Radwin, assistant professor of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences (CNHS), presented "The Development and Psychometric Testing of the Oncology Patients' Perceptions of the Quality of Nursing Care Scale" at the Sigma Theta Tau Internationa l State of the Science Meetings, held in Washington, D.C. CNHS' Kristine Alster and Krista Rubin were co-investigators for the study.

On October 17, Patricia Reive, director of the Labor Resource Center, presented her research "Industrial Disease, Meaning Making, and Reform in Antebel lum Massachusetts" at the 24th Annual North American Labor History Conference held in Michigan.

Professor Lorna Rivera of the College of Public and Community Service was a panelist at the "From Rhetoric to Reality: Educational Reform and Language Minority Students" conference, held at Harvard University on October 5.

Liz Roemer, associate professor of psychology, has co-authored several articles which have been accepted for publication, including "Mindfulness: A Promising Intervention Strategy in Need of Further Study" in Clinical Psychology: Science and Practice and "Integrating Acceptance and Mindfulness into Existing Cogni tive-Behavioral Treatment for GAD: A Neurally-Inspired Model," all published in Sage Publications.

Paul Arwood of the American Studies Program and the Joiner Center published a review of "Unfinished Symphony: Democracy and the War on Terror," a book about the influence of Vietnamese Veterans Against the War on public attitudes in Massachusetts and in a recent issue of The Public Historian.

Barbara Sara, director of the Instructional Technology Center and coordinator of library instruction at Healey Library, co-authored two articles in a special issue of Journal of Library Administration on information literacy: "The Politics of Pedagogy: Expectations and Reality for Information Literacy for Librarianship" and "Leading Information Literacy Programs: Immersion and Beyond."

The article "Perceptions of Journals Publishing E-Commerce Research" by Pratyush Bharti, assistant professor in the College of Management (CM), was published in Communications of the ACM. The research was funded by a College of Management Faculty Scholarship Award and was co-authored by former CM faculty member Peter Tarasewich.

Ellen Bruce, director of the Gerontology Institute, published the fact sheet "Retirement Options for Massachusetts State Employees: Unfair Choices for Couples: Problems for Women" with the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy.


Jacqueline Fawcett, professor in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, published "The Nurse Theorist's 21st-Century Updates—Celestial Health" in Nursing Science Quarterly.

Carol Hardy-Fanta, director of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy, published "Who's in Charge?" in/Assignments of Latinos to Policymaking Offices and Boards in Massachusetts," a fact sheet in a series produced by the Mauricio Gaston Institute of Community Development and Public Policy.

Jean Humet, director of the Women's Studies Program, recently collaborated with Gail Dines of Wheelock College on a second edition of their anthology Gender, Race and Class in Media: A Text Reader, which was published by Sage Publications.

"Blind Angel," an excerpt from a new novel in progress by Askold Melynczuk, creator of the Creative Writing Program, was published as a chapbook by Pressed Wafer in November.


The essay "Lonely Londer: V. S. Naipaul and 'The God of the City,'" written by Assistant Professor of English Gautam Premnath, appears in Imagined London and India by J. Gilbert and published by the State University Press of New York.

Marc Prou, assistant professor of Africana Studies and director of the Creole Institute, has published a new text, Spoken Haitian Creole for Haitian Creole Speakers, with EduVacision, Inc.
Jean Rhodes, assistant professor of psychology, has coauthored two articles: "Natural Mentors in the Lives of African American Adolescent Mothers: Tracking Relationships Over Time" in the Journal of Youth and Adolescence and "The Influence of Teacher Support on Student Adjustment in the Middle School Years: A Latent Growth Curve Study" in Development and Psychopathol- ogy.

Candice Bowen of the English Department has had her essay "Sonoran Desert Blues" accepted for inclusion in the third edition of the Red Rock Reader, a composition text.

Short articles on poetry by Lloyd Schwartz, Troy Professor of English and Creative Writing, are featured on www.tompaine.com. The latest, "Life's Work: Creativity," was posted in September.

David Tiedka, Professor of Economics, coauthored the book Start-up Effectors: High Performance Management, Job Quality, and Regional Advantage, which has just been published by Oxford University Press and the W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research.

EXHIBITS, READINGS, PERFORMANCES

In October, Askold Melnychuk, director of the Creative Writing Program, celebrated his last issue of April, the literary journal he edited at Boston University, with a reading featuring Seamus Heaney, Robert Pinsky, Lloyd Schwartz, and others.

"A Gift of Peace," composed by Professor David Patterson of the Music Department, has been featured in concerts by baritone Ruth Hunter on her tour in Pennsylvania.

Lloyd Schwartz, Troy Professor of English and Creative Writing, presented "Recognize That Theme? Classical Music in Contemporary Film Scores" at a panel discussion on film music held at the Boston Public Library on October 16.

APPOINTMENTS AND HONORS

Kristine Alter, interim dean of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, has been elected to serve on the board of scholars studying the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

Ann Breslauer of the Graduate Program in Applied Sociology received an Extra Mile Award from the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance in recognition of her volunteer work for the Lifelines HIV/AIDS Prevention and Education Program for the Homeless.

Patrick A. Halon has been appointed director of general medicine for University Health Services. She previously worked as a nurse practitioner and nursing supervisor, and has many years in critical care nursing.

Linda J. Jorgensen has been appointed director of health education and wellness programs for University Health Services. She most recently worked as a consultant for the P.R.I.D.E. Program and has many years of experience in health education, with a specialty in substance abuse education.

Richard O'Bryant, research associate at the Trottier Institute, is the recipient of a 2002 Rising Scholars Award sponsored by the Kellogg Forum on Higher Educa- tion for the Public Good.

The appointments of Philip Quaglieri and Kristine Alter, interim deans of the College of Management and the College of Nursing and Health Sciences respectively, have been extended and they will serve the next two academic years, 2002 - 2003 and 2003 - 2004.

Laura Schareder-Johnson has been appointed as technical director for the Theater Dance Depart- ment. Her award-winning production of Interview recently won the Regional Community Theatre Festival Competition in New Hampshire.

GRANTS AND RESEARCH

Jon Mitchell and Linnea Bardanson, faculty with the Music Department, traveled to the Czech Republic to record two Beethoven piano concertos with the Bohuslav Martinu Philharmonic Orchestra in October. The trip was partially funded by a UMass Boston Faculty Development Grant.

Marc Pron, assistant professor of the Africana Studies Department and co-director of the Center for African, Caribbean, and Commun- ity Development, received a $14,600 grant from the Depart- ment of Public Health and Haitian American Public Health Initiatives to continue a collaborative project with three community-based organizations focusing on youth leadership development.

Jennifer Radden, professor of philosophy, has received a three- year publication support grant from the Department of Health and Human Services (National Library of Medicine) for collabora- tive work with John Sadler of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center on the ethics of psychiatry.

The Trottier Institute received a grant from the Annie Casey Foundation to analyze the impact of lack of affordable housing in Boston on poor African-American/Black families. Regina Rodriguez-Mitchell, interim director, is the principal investigator and Mado André Hunson, senior research associate, is lead investigator.

Rachel Rubin of the American Studies Program received a research grant from the William Joiner Center for the Study of War and Social Consequences to complete a book chapter on the so-called Zoot Suit Riots of 1943.

MISCELLANEOUS

A petition filed at the request of Jan Raymondi of the Biology Department for legislation to allow people raising or training service dogs to have the same rights as an individual with a disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act was just signed into law by Acting Governor Jane Swift on October 1.

Lin Zahn, professor in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, coauthored the book Gerontological Nursing, which will be used in the Department of Education in China as one of the national textbooks.

The Ph.D. in Public Policy was chosen as the "Pick of the Week" by the Moving Ideas Network, www.movingideas.org, which wrote that the program "is on the verge of establishing itself as a national model for doctoral level policy education."

IN THE NEWS

An interview with Avery Faigenbaum, associate professor of exercise science and physical education, was featured in the Fall 2002 issue of TeenSpeak addressing teen use of performance enhancers.

Regina Rodriguez-Mitchell, interim director of the Trottier Institute, was quoted in a Boston Herald article on the widening income gap between whites, African-Americans, and Hispanics.

Primo Vannacci, professor of political science, and Alice Phoenix, student major in international relations, were quoted by the Christian Science Monitor as saying, "It Right," which aired on the Framingham-based cable TV on September 21. The segment was devoted to a critical discussion of the situation in Iraq and the U.S. foreign policy.

Paul Watanahe, co-director of the Institute for Asian American Studies, was quoted in the Boston Globe on the Asian 'registration gap' in an October 16 article. Excavation work by UMass Boston students and faculty through the Andrew Fisk Memorial Center for Archaeological Studies on a historic Marshfield house was covered in the Patriot Ledger on September 20 and October 7.

Measures of Distinction

The Office of University Communications has created a new outreach publication, "Measures of Distinction," to share the distinctiveness of UMass Boston's mission with the Greater Boston community, its leaders and residents. The four-page piece highlights some of the many ongoing projects at UMass Boston that reflect the university's focus on academic excellence, innovation, economic development, public service, access, and quality of life. For copies of the publication, please contact the Office of University Communications and Community Relations, 7-5300.
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 then the last four digits listed below each calendar entry.

Submit December calendar listings by Thursday, November 14. Submit calendar listings online at www.umb.edu/news/umb_calendar_entry_form or e-mail news@umb.edu. See the News and Events Page on www.umb.edu for calendar listings.

FRIDAY 1

All Souls Day Interfaith Service 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Interfaith Chapel, 3rd fl. Contact: 7-5839 or interfaith.campusumb@umb.edu.

Biography Department Seminar: A Developmental Perspective on Insect Appendage Evolution 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., Science Center, 1-006. Featuring Elizabeth Jockusch of the University of Connecticut. Contact: 7-6600 or jan.raymondi@umb.edu.

MONDAY 4

Flu Shots Offered by University Health Services 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Quinn Administration, 2nd fl. Interested in volunteering? Visit www.umbwellness.org, 7-5680 or maggie.ca.higgins@umb.edu.

Graduate Programs in Dispute Resolution Brown Bag Luncheon Lecture Series: Experiences Using Dispute Resolution Techniques in Asia 12:00 - 1:00 p.m., Waltham Hall, 2nd fl. Featuring Dick Salem, internationally known expert with experience in Rwanda, Sierra Leone, and South Africa. Contact: 7-7421 or kelly.warsh@umb.edu.

TUESDAY 5

When Existing Jobs Don't Fit: Creative Job Development for People with Significant Barriers to Employment 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Institute for Community Inclusion (ICI), 20 Park Plaza, Boston. Two-day workshop to teach attendees how to work with employers to create and restructure jobs. Featuring Stephen Thomas, who has worked three weeks in advance ($110). ICI provides letters of attendance for CEU or CRC credit. Accommodations are available upon request. Contact: 7-4337 or ict@umb.edu.

WEB-BASED LEARNING Speaker Series 12:30 - 2:00 p.m., Healey Library, Stacks Room. Featuring Stephanie Hartwell of the Sociology Department to lead a discussion on web-based testing and courses. Contact: 7-3998.

WEDNESDAY 6


College of Management Senior Executive Forum 3:00 - 4:00 p.m., Quinn Administration, Chancellor's Conference Room, 3rd fl. Featuring Dennis Austin '72, trustee of the University of Massachusetts and chief executive officer of Raytheon Company. Contact: 7-7740.

THURSDAY 14

Professional Development for Employment Practitioners 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Institute for Community Inclusion (ICI), 20 Park Plaza, Boston. Four-day (Nov 14-15, Dec. 5-6) comprehensive training designed to provide for practitioners who want hands-on, practical skills in enrolling people with significant disabilities into successful community employment. Registration is required three weeks in advance ($35). ICI provides letters of attendance for CEU or CRC credit. Accommodations are available upon request. Contact: 7-4337 or ict@umb.edu.

FRIDAY 8

Crisis of Confidence: Financial Markets, Accounting Practice, and Business Ethics - A Critical Analysis and Discussion 11:30 - 3:00 p.m., Healey Library, University Club, 2nd fl. Featuring Charles Clough of Clough Capital Partners LP; Michael Joyce of Deloitte and Touche LLP; Nicholas Picaletto of Arctic Associates Inc.; Arnold Wright of Boston College. Moderated by Stephen Thompson of the Department of Accounting and Finance. RSVP by November 1 to icemums@umb.edu or 7-7702.

Biography Department Seminar: Genome Systems Models - Genetic and Phenotypic 10:30 - 11:00 a.m., Science Center, 1-006. Featuring George Church of Harvard University. Contact: 7-6600 or e-mail jan.raymondi@umb.edu.

MONDAY 11

Veterans' Day. University closed. Healey Library hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

TUESDAY 12

Opening Reception: An Exhibition to Honor Veterans Featuring "Stack Arms" by Ken Hruby 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, Harbor Gallery, 1st fl. The exhibit runs from November 12 through December 20, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. A gallery talk will also be held on Wednesday, November 20 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Sponsored by the William Joiner Center and Arts on the Point. Contact: artofpoint@umb.edu.

Post-Election Analysis: How Did Women Do? 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Worcester Public Library, Saunier Room. Join Carol Hardy-Fanta, director of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy, for an analysis of the 2002 gubernatorial election, and hear about the groundbreaking certificate program for Women in Politics & Public Policy. For directions, contact: 7-4672 or info@umb.edu. Contact: 7-3541 or cwwppp@umb.edu.

WEDNESDAY 13

UMass Boston American Red Cross Blood Drive 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center, 1st fl. To donate, contact: www.umbwellness.org, 7-5680 or linda.jorgensen@umb.edu.


THURSDAY 15

WUMB 20th Anniversary Concert with Art Garfunkel 7:30 p.m. in celebration of WUMB FM public radio station's 20th Anniversary, a concert at Sanders Theater in Harvard Square Cambridge featuring Art Garfunkel. Call 617-496-2222 for tickets.

TUESDAY 19


FRIDAY 22

Biography Department Seminar: Functional and Comparative Genomics of a Mouse Model of Leukemia 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., Science Center, 1-006. Featuring Alejandro Cordero-Sweet of the Dana Farber Cancer Institute. Contact: 7-6600 or jan.raymondi@umb.edu.

Chamber Orchestra Concert 8:00 p.m., Fairfield Hall of Heaven Church, 614 East Fourth St., South Boston. Featuring soloists and music faculty members Marilyn Bull and David Giesow, a concert version of Mozart's 'La 'La Serva Padrona," Mozart's Symphony No. 31, and Sibelius "Incidental Music to "The Swan of Tuusula." Contact: 7-5640.

WUMB 91.9 FM Commonwealth Journal 7:00 - 7:30 p.m., Thursdays. Interviews with scholars, writers, and public officials on the current issues of interest to the people of Massachusetts. Contact: 7-4000.

MONDAY 25


THURSDAY 28

Thanksgiving Holiday. University closed.