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Conservation of Energy

Every reasonable effort should be made by UMass-Boston personnel at home and at work to take effective steps in the conservation of energy.

More direct and specific directives will be made in the future. Meanwhile, these measures should be taken:

1. University vehicles should not be driven in excess of 50 miles per hour. Travel plans should be made to allow the additional time required by lower speed limits. In this regard, we should remember that speeds between 50 and 70 miles per hour use 30 percent more fuel.

2. Car pooling and the use of University vehicles should occur whenever possible and travel should be restricted to only the most necessary trips. Vehicle requirements should be of prime consideration in scheduling of University meetings. Use of other than University vehicles will be approved only after the most careful scrutiny.

3. Meetings should be planned to minimize travel by attendees. Consider most carefully the need for our attendance at meetings that require travel.

4. Thermostats in University buildings should be turned down wherever possible. This is a complicated step and not one accomplished easily. Nevertheless, steps should be taken to lower and lock off common thermostats. Staff members should be directed to lower thermostats on individually controlled heating and ventilating units, to keep ventilating units clear and uncovered, to open drapes to the sun, and to close them before leaving in the evening.

5. Staff members and students should be further encouraged not to take their car to campus, and if they must, to join a car pool. Automobile travel accounts for 40 percent of overall energy consumption. Three hours of driving consumes the same amount of energy as a color television all year.

Holiday Staffing

Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 22; Christmas, Tuesday, December 25; and New Year's, Tuesday, January 1, are holidays.

Also, all employees, except those paid on an hourly basis, whose services can be spared on Friday, November 23, and/or Monday, December 24, at the discretion of their department heads, may be granted those days off without loss of pay. However, all departmental offices must be kept open and essential services provided on November 23 and December 24 in accordance with the law.

December 31, the day before New Year's Day is a regular work day.

Concert Choir Presentation

The University of Massachusetts at Boston Concert Choir, directed by Joel Cohen, will be present the Beethoven MASS IN C MAJOR, OP. 86 Sunday, December 2, at 3:00 P.M. at the Old West Church, Cambridge Street, Boston. Admission is free.

The program is sponsored by the University of Massachusetts at Boston Music Department and the Beacon Hill Arts Council.

Religion Program

The Study of Religion Program of College II will present Prof. Herb Richardson, St. Michael's College, University of Toronto, and author of Toward an American Theology, Nun, Witch, Playmate, and Transcendence will give a public lecture on "Civil Religion in America: A Critique of Political Religion" Monday, November 26, at 4:15 p.m., in Room 317 Sawyer.

A colloquium on "Beyond Psychoanalysis and Encounter: The Self Creating the Self" will be given Tuesday, November 27, at 12:30 p.m., in Room 554 Statler, and a colloquium on "The Americanization of Sex: From Nun to Witch to Playmate to...?" will be given on Wednesday November 28 between 3 - 5:30 p.m. in Room 518W Statler.

Members of the College community are cordially invited to hear this provocative speaker.

College II Senate

The College II Senate will meet on Tuesday, December 4th at 12:30 p.m. in the Faculty Club, 4th Floor, Library. This will be the last meeting of the Senate before our move to Columbia Point.

College II Name Committee

The College II Name Search Committee will hold an open hearing on Tuesday, 20 November 1973 at 12:30 p.m. in Room 318 Sawyer. Members of the College who wish to present and defend a name for the College are urged to attend.

Shuttle Service

The Shuttle Service between Columbia Point and Park Square is still in its infancy, and a few bugs remain to be ironed out.

If you should have any difficulty with the service, please send a note to the Physical Plant Office (Att: Mr. Coyne) giving the time of the run, date, origin of the run problem and also the driver's name, if possible.

Your cooperation will help us give you better service.

The Illusion of Caring

One of the great human problems of our times is the child placed in "foster care" across the nation. Robert L. Geiser, Psychology II, is the author of a newly published book "The Illusion of Caring" published by Beacon Press who with clarity and compassion writes of the needs of several hundred thousand American children who have been placed under "foster care" by our courts and other institutions. Many are "orphans of the living", kept in the limbo of substitute homes because of the dis-functioning of their own families ... torn between loyalties and identities, with incalculable psychiatric damage as the inevitable result.

Psychologist Geiser believes there is something that can be done about the problem. Read this book and find out how.

In the Press

Duncan Nelson (English) as a versifier in the Boston Globe (11/9) wrote some thoughts in "Internal Rhyme" about the Nixon problem. Prof. Nelson concludes:

"May it clear the bases
Of many in high places
And if the highest squirms
And bellyaches,
Well, "Let him eat tapes!"
His very own diet of worms."

The New York Times (11/11) describing the innovative approach to translate the wonders of the physical world into humanistic and practical terms

In the Press (continued)

through the teaching of physics in secondary schools quotes UMass-Boston Prof. Kenneth Ford. He praises the new program over the traditional teaching of physics, but adds, "There is still a need for a really good curriculum for the merely average of below average student."

The innovative program called Project Physics is seen by many as too difficult for the ostensible large audience.

Prof. Ford is the past president of the American Association of Physics Teachers.

Telephones

All departments, especially on the Park Square campus, are asked to give names and extension numbers of new employees to the switchboard operators. This will ensure that new staff members receive their telephone calls without confusion.

Bookshop

The Bookshop wishes to remind all faculty to have their students purchase all required reading materials by December 7, 1973. After that date textbook returns to publishers will begin.

Some Faculty Publications

Dr. Sam Osherson (Psychology II) is co-editor with D. Warwick of Comparative Research Methods published by Prentice-Hall. Louis Esposito (Chairman, Economics II) with David Podoff and D. Primont has written Substandard Housing and the Cost of Providing Housing-Related Services, published by Boston Urban Observatory. Dr. Esposito has also authored "The Impact of Liquidity on Merger Activity" for The Quarterly Review of Economics and Business, Spring, 1973. Monique Garrity (Economics) in the Journal of Modern African Studies (Cambridge University Press) wrote about "The 1969 Franc Devaluation and the Ivory Coast Economy", December, 1972. Harold Wolozin (Economics II) is the author of Introduction to Economics: An Interdisciplinary Approach, Holbrook press, 1973, and Economics of Pollution, Goodyear Publishing Co., 1973.

United Way

Last call for returns. Please send pledges of donations for the United Way to John Lerner, Administration Building, 372. For all who have participated -- warmest thanks.