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## Can I Afford a College Education

The Massachusetts Association of College Minority Administrators will sponsor a symposium on "Can I Afford a College Education" at the University of Massachusetts at Boston, Saturday, September 28, at 10:00 a. m.

The all-day session will feature HEW official Dr. Leonard H. O. Spearman, Director of Student Support and Special Programs, U. S. Office of Education.

A psychologist, Dr. Spearman has been with the U. S. Office of Education since 1970 where he has directed Upward Bound, Educational Talent Search Special Service Programs for Disadvantaged Students, and Federal Student Aid Programs.

Financial Aid and Admissions administrators from colleges and universities throughout the state are expected to attend.

The sessions are also open to the public, and will provide information and resources about admissions and financial aid.

One of the most respected administrators in the field Eunice L. Edwards, Director of Financial Aids at Fisk University, will be one of the symposium speakers. Other symposium speakers will be Richard Fields of Boston University and Mrs. Sylvia Simmons, Director of Financial Aid and Assistant Dean of Admissions at Radcliffe College.

Among those planning the symposium are Lana Webb Brennen, Financial Aid Director at UMass-Boston, and Corine DuBose, Assistant Director.

The Committee especially pointed out that parents as well as high school counsellors are invited to attend.

## Brill Appointed

Professor Harry Brill (Sociology II) is among a group of academic researchers reflecting a wide variety of academic and professional backgrounds who have been appointed to the Research Project on Competency-Based Programs in Higher Education. The project is supported by the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education to the Educational Policy Research Center at Syracuse, N. Y.

The researchers will study both the substantive reforms related to the development of competency-based programs and the impact of these programs on their institutional milieu. The research is not intended as an evaluation of the program. It is not the aim of the project to declare programs "successes" or "failures." Rather, the aim is to investigate the way these programs have been conceptualized and put into practice, to discover how these settings have been created and evolved. The intent is to describe the programs, probe their assumptions, explore the pedagogic issues they have raised, and in an open-ended way assess the range of impacts they may have.

### Season of Mists and Mellow Fruitfulness

Saturday was the September equinox, the time of year when Summer melds into Autumn, which some feel is the best time of the year. Anyway, Saturday was a special day for Jane Winters (Vocational Counseling and Placement) when she was married to Frank J. Guarino, Jr., in New York. He is a management consultant in International Employee Benefits with Marsh & McLennan. They are honeymooning in Spain and England.

Jane completed her academic studies this summer for her Doctorate from Boston University in Counseling Psychology. She was also named to the Board of Directors of Shared Educational Experience, Inc., which provides vocational internships to students prior to graduation.

### Supreme Court Reviewed

Dean Robert Steamer (College II) has authored his annual analysis of the United States Supreme Court for the American Educational Encyclopedia Year Book. Steamer says July 25th was the day the Nine Justices kept their date with destiny on the United States v. Nixon decision which directed the then president to surrender tapes of 64 White House conversations by date, time, and participants to the grand jury investigating the Watergate coverup.

Other Supreme Court cases reviewed by Dr. Steamer were such freedom of speech cases as Lewis v. New Orleans and Hess v. Indiana; criminal procedure cases such as Berry v. Cincinnati and United States v. Matlock. The Milliken v. Bradley case, under equal protection of the laws, was a 5-4 decision which struck down Detroit's city-to-suburb busing plan.

### Faculty Dining Room

In pleasant surroundings and with heady luncheon companions, the UMass-Boston Faculty Club began operations last week in College II-Faculty Dining Area. The buffets were excellent, and for those faculty and professional staff who have not yet participated are cordially invited to do so by the officers and directors.

Thor Olson, Treasurer of the Club, is also urging faculty to sign up for membership. Dues, according to salary, are on a sliding \$1.50 to \$3.50 per month scale. Call him at Ext. 2495 for details.

### Wolozin Books

Professor Harold Wolozin (College II Economics Department) has just published Energy and the Environment and The Economics of Pollution. Both books are published by the General Learning Press. Professor Wolozin is well known for his work and writings in the Political Economy of Environmental Control. He is presently teaching a seminar in this area.

### Transcending Tragedy: The Idea of Civility

This is the title of Professor Glenn Tinder's contribution to the current issue of The American Political Science Review. The Professor of Politics in College I gives a very thoughtful and scholarly appraisal of civility in history.

He concluded his essay with these words: "Civility is a position beyond the tragedy of the will to community. It is an effort to take part in history while avoiding political idolatry, to achieve a universal relatedness uncorrupted by fanaticism in action or absolutism in beliefs, it means trying to participate in the affairs of the whole human race without either killing in order to redeem the earth from all evil or pretending that established society, with all of its subtle and habitual, as well as glaring, injustices is a community. Is it not possible that in thus acknowledging at once the calamitous imperfection of everything historical and the immeasurable dignity of the human--in taking a position so befitting both the historical

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and the moral dimensions of our existence--something may be found that is better than happiness?

Spanish Publication

Professor Concha Zardoya (Spanish II) has published a book in four volumes entitled Poesía española del siglo XX: Estudios temáticos y estilísticos (Madrid, Gredos, 1974): I. Generación del 98, 335 pp.; II. Juan Ramón Jiménez. Generación del 27, 1, 299 pp.; III. Generación del 27, 2, 507 pp.; IV. Generaciones del 36 y de postguerra, 257 pp.

Protozoa Studies

Dr. George M. Langford of Biology just returned from Pacific Grove, Calif. where he presented a paper at The Society of General Physiologist Annual meeting. Dr. Langford presented his recent studies on cell movement in protozoa. The paper was entitled "Axostyle Motility".

Library News

The main library now has a librarian, Samuel Rodgers, on duty weekday evenings. He will be happy to arrange library orientation tours for any late-day class instructors requesting them. He may be reached at Ext. 2206 or 2207.

The new hours for the main library and the science library are 8:00 a. m. to 10:00 p. m. weekdays, 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. Saturdays, and 1:00 p. m. to 5:00 P. M. on Sundays. The College of Public and Community Service library will be open 9:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m. Monday through Friday.

Summer Lectures

Professor Ricardo Navas Ruiz (Spanish I) was the main speaker in the homage offered by the University of Salamanca, Spain, to the memory of the two Latin-American writers and Nobel Prize winners Miguel Angel Asturias and Pablo Neruda, who both passed away last year. Professor Navas-Ruiz spoke on the mythical aspects of dictatorships in Asturias' work and the Spanish roots of Neruda's El Canto General.

He also took part in the Master of Arts Summer Program sponsored by the Universities of Salamanca and Virginia with a series of lectures on Contemporary Latin-American Short Story.

State Employee Training  
Center

The State Employee Training Center at Brighton will offer a series of courses for university and other state employees this fall. A University employee wishing to enroll must have the approval of his/her department head and must be nominated by the department head through the Personnel Office.

These courses offer enrichment as well as training in fields which are personally and professionally beneficial. Call the Personnel Office about course descriptions. Among offerings this year are: Basic Supervisory Management, Executive Development, Human Relations and Communications, Personnel Interviewing and Counseling, Effective Writing, Office Management for Clerical Supervisors, Conversational Spanish: Language and Culture, and Public Speaking and Communications.

Once and Future Interns

UMass-Boston and The General Court of the Commonwealth are co-sponsors of a practical training program in the process of legislation and public policy formation for graduate students. The program begins its 10th year in October and the director this year will be Professor Harold Wolman. The former interns and the newest group had a gathering on Thursday at the Harbor Campus with former directors Professor George Goodwin and Professor Richard Hogarty among those present.

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The alumni are in key legislative and civic posts throughout the country. Among them is David Podoff, formerly of the Economics Department who is an economist with the Brookings Institution, Washington.

Peasant Studies

The Anthropology Colloquium will present Dr. Irene Portis Winner on "Problems in Peasant Studies: Some Examples from Eastern Europe" on Thurs., Sept. 26 at 12:30 p.m. in College II, Rm. 423, 2nd Floor.

Dr. Winner received her B.A. at Radcliffe College, M.A. from Columbia University, and Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina. Her interests include peasant societies, nomadic herding societies, and Eastern European ethnology. She has received a number of fellowships and grants and invitations from East European countries to carry out field research.

Power Relationships

Dr. Simon Wittes of the Institute for Learning and Teaching presented a paper, "Power Relationships in Co-Therapy", to the American Psychological Association Annual Convention, in New Orleans.

Sociology Lecture

Joseph Sandler of Harvard University will be a guest speaker in Professor Louis Brin's Sociology of Corrections class on Thurs., Oct. 3 at 5:30 p.m. in Rm. 44, 1st Floor College I.

Mr. Sandler will speak on "Incarceration and Economic Interpretation." Interested students and faculty are invited to attend.

Dr. James Named  
Associate Provost

Dr. Herman D. James has been appointed Associate Provost for Academic Affairs. He will officially assume the responsibilities of his office in the Spring term.

Dr. James is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology, College I. Before coming to UMass-Boston in 1972, he taught at the University of Pittsburgh where he earned his doctorate. He also taught at Duquesne University. The Sociology of Medicine and Health Care, Methods of Research and Statistics are his academic areas of interest. Dr. James has served on various policy committees of the Medical Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association. His study on the Medical Care System in Canada will be published as an article in a forthcoming book. He is in the process of compiling additional information on the effects of Universal Health Insurance in the Province of Quebec. For the past year, he has been serving as the Senior Research Consultant to the Office of Experimental Schools - N. I. E. - National Urban League Street Academy Evaluation Project.

As Associate Provost, Dr. James' primary responsibilities will involve (1) the coordination of existing academic programs and curriculum and (2) the reviewing and the assessment of new programs and curricula vis-a-vis the intercollegiate structure. Initially, during the Spring term, most of his time will be devoted to the development of intercollegiate curricula structures, providing greater mobility and dynamic interchanges among the colleges and the various university-wide programs.

Office Labor Saving  
Devices

Please direct all requests for repair of Office Labor Saving Devices to the Property Office (Ext. 2123 or 2124).

Transfers of Office Labor Saving Devices between Departments must be coordinated through Property.

Memo requests for furniture and equipment should be initiated by the Department Chairman or Director and forwarded to my attention.