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President Wood to Address Faculty

President Robert C. Wood will address the faculties at a special meeting on Friday, October 29, at 12:30 p.m. in the Science Auditorium. His talk is the only item on the agenda.

A reception will be held later in the day at 4 p.m. in the Faculty Club, 11th Floor of the Library, where faculty will have the opportunity to meet President Wood informally.

Energy Savings

Prof. Harold Mahon, Physics, is collaborating on a new book on energy saving measures with Dr. Miklos Kiss, a Hungarian physicist who is the Director of the Energy Conservation Department at Elektrowatt A. G.

Dr. Mahon's contribution comes from his research in the United States and during the 15 months he spent as a guest professor with the Physics Department at the University of Zurich.

At Zurich, where he taught postdoctoral as well as doctoral candidate students, Dr. Mahon instigated one research project at the Am Gebaude des ETH-Rechenzentrums which in Phase I brought about a savings of 65 per cent in the use of oil and 9 per cent in the use of electricity; in the second phase of the program some 75 per cent in oil savings and 15 per cent in electricity savings were recorded.

Two leading Zurich newspapers reported Dr. Mahon's studies.

Prof. Mahon insists that if the vital energy savings that must be put into effect in this country---in industrial, commercial and public institutions--- the prime movers must be the leaders of these establishments. It must be more than an approval of an energy saving program, he says; it must be involvement and support from the executive offices.

Discussant Costa

At the 54th annual meeting of the American Orthopsychiatric Association meeting in New York next April the noted psychiatrist Dr. Roger Gould will present a position paper on The Life Cycle. His research shows that people of similar ages have similar problems and that the evolution of a personality continues through the fifth decade of life.

Dr. Paul Costa, Psychology, will be a discussant of Dr. Gould's paper. Prof. Costa's work in the same field is familiar to Dr. Gould, especially in the areas of ego development and the style changes of people in various age groups concerning their thoughts and feelings.

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Discussant Costa
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In Aging Tomorrow, Sept. -Oct. issue--Dr. Costa is one of the researchers making a report on the "Effects of Age and Smoking on Pulmonary Function." The study of smokers under 44 years of age, those between 45 and 54, and those over 55 revealed that "There was little difference in pulmonary function between those who had never smoked and those who were light inhalers.

"There was a pronounced decline in pulmonary function with advancing age for all three categories of smoker.

"Age and smoking combined accounted for 24.4% of the decline in vital capacity and 28.3% of the decline in forced expiratory volume.

"Age had a far greater effect on the decline in pulmonary function than smoking--it had an 8 times greater effect on vital capacity and a 4.4 times greater effect on forced expiratory volume."

UNESCO Report

The International Herald Tribune, published in Paris, had a report recently of the UNESCO meeting on the Politicization in International Organizations authored by Prof. Arnold Beichman, Politics, one of the 200 academics, scientists, writers and intellectuals who attended the meeting.

Beichman's report raised two questions: "Should intellectuals continue to participate in UNESCO events, as they had before 1974, or should further boycotts be encouraged?" and "Should a campaign be organized to press democratic countries to withdraw from UNESCO and form a 'UNESCO Two', something proposed by several speakers."

Beichman said UNESCO has been under fire since 1974 when Israel was barred by a majority vote from participation in UNESCO activities, even though it was a member. The Soviet and Arab bloc with some African nations by their votes could bring about the disintegration of such UNESCO agencies as ILO and WHO---the International Labor Organization and the World Health Organization.

Nantucket Program Recruiting
Students and Faculty

Faculty are asked to advise their students that registration is now underway for persons interested in the fascinating and unique UMass-Boston American Civilization Program at Nantucket for the Spring semester.

Incidentally, faculty who wish to participate for the next semester or future semesters should contact Seymour Katz, English.

The experimental interdisciplinary program has proved so successful over the past two years that it is now part of the UMass-Boston curriculum in the American Civilization Concentration.

Students receive 15 academic credits for the full semester at Nantucket, where they will be taught by such people as Edouard Stackpole, a world's leading authority on maritime history; the entire staff of the Quaise Environmental Field Station who emphasize ways that the Island's natural history has influenced human history, and teachers in the interdisciplinary fields who supervise independent research projects in literature, sociology, philosophy, and psychology.

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Nantucket Program Recruiting
Students and Faculty
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Any junior or senior may apply, regardless of major. Persons interested should contact Joey Horsley, Liberal Arts Dean's Office, Building 010, 2nd floor; Seymour Katz, English, Building 010; Stanley Remsberg, College of Professional Studies; or Rosamond Rosenmeir, College of Public and Community Service for information (including housing arrangements) and application forms. Completed applications are due in the Liberal Arts Dean's Office by December 3.

Pater and Zola

Dr. John Conlon, Teacher Certification Program has had an article published in English Literature in Transition 1880-1920, a scholarly periodical published at Arizona State University. The article is "Walter H. Pater and Zola's Literary Reputation in England" and is a study of Pater's work of providing Zola with literary acceptability among Victorians hostile to French literature in general and naturalism in particular. It is one phase of Pater's career long overlooked.

The journal is available in the Library's periodical section.

College of Professional Studies
Management Program

Applications are now being accepted from sophomores and juniors who wish to transfer from the College of Liberal Arts or the College of Public and Community Service to the College of Professional Studies--Management Program as Management Majors in January, 1977.

Application forms and additional information are available in the College of Public and Community Service office (080-3-181).

The application deadline is November 5.

Antonoff at Amsterdam
and Oxford

Prof. Marvin Antonoff, Physics, recently attended the International Conference on Magnetism in Amsterdam and the Conference on Itinerant Electron Magnetism held at Oxford University. At the conference in Oxford Prof. Antonoff presented a paper entitled "Effects of Impurities on the Spin-Density-Wave Transition".

New Faculty Member--
New Book

Marcelle Altieri, Assistant Professor of French, a new member of the UMass-Boston faculty is the author of: Les Romans de Chrétien de Troyes: leur perspective proverbiale et gnomique, Paris: Nizet, 1976. Through this study of Chrétien's utilization of medieval stylistic ornaments, new insight was gained concerning the personality and the art of Chrétien. It was possible to trace the process of personalization, opening the way to the modern novel, through which Chrétien evolved: being at first a "poète de métier" or craftsman, he shows originality and real artistry in his later works.

Prof. Altieri is presently the President of the American Society of Geolinguistics. This Society, whose aim it is to gather and disseminate up-to-date knowledge concerning the world's languages, meets in New York monthly.

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Charles Spaulding, Director of Physical Plant, is again bringing to the attention of all personnel who operate State vehicles that they are personally responsible for traffic violation penalties, especially those who are travelling over the

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Women's Studies Lecture Series

legal speed limit of 55 miles per hour.

Spaulding notes that not only is your personal safety involved, but by keeping at 55 mph and lower you will be contributing to the conservation of energy----your own Saudi Arabian.

The Women's Studies Program is sponsoring a series of lectures by faculty members on four Wednesdays, starting tomorrow, in Building 010, First Floor, Room 047, at 12:45 p.m. First in the series will be Prof. Freda Salzman, Physics, speaking on "Is There a Biological Basis for Sex Roles?" The other dates, speakers, and topics are: Wed., Nov. 3, "Yankee Schoolmarm in the Civil War South" Nancy Hoffman, College of Public and Community Service; Wed., Nov. 17, "Myth and Methods: A Navaho Separation Myth and Its Interpreters" Louise Mendillo, English; Wed., Dec. 1, "Women and Revolution in Vietnam" Ann Froines, Women's Studies.

Your support for the UMass-Boston United Way appeal is urgently needed. Heinz Bondy, campus chairman, said a number of volunteers are active in seeking pledges and donations. In some departments, pledge cards have been sent in campus mail to individual faculty and staff members. Through the United Way, it's a great way to help your neighbor who needs United Way services. It is easy to give through the payroll deduction plan.



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Cards can be sent directly to Heinz Bondy, Adm. Bldg., 3rd Floor, or to the solicitor for their department.

Last year's goal was \$9,000.
This year's goal is \$12,000.