Searching for a Better Understanding of Mentally-Disordered Perpetrators of Violent Crime

By Stefanie Lacey-Loya

The question of mental disorder and violence has long captured our imaginations, with moral philosophers no less than Aristotle distinguishing "people of weak will who do wrong against their wishes and intentions from vicious people who do wrong contently and with conviction." So writes Professor Paul Nestor of the Psychology Department in a recent article titled "Competence to Stand Trial: A Neuropsychological Inquiry."

Nestor focuses his research on developing a descriptive taxonomy of mentally disordered offenders—the Aristotelian group who act without criminal intention. However, he is quick to emphasize, "From the agitated street person to the erudite 'Unabomber,' the mentally disordered among us are too often unfairly portrayed and stigmatized as violent. Yet while more are indeed no more violent than the rest of society, a subset of mentally disordered persons do show elevated risk of criminal violence."

Now considered a public health problem, these offenders are estimated to be responsible for five percent of all homicides in the United States, fifteen percent in England, and eighteen percent in Sweden. Nestor believes that by examining the interaction between the nature of the criminal act and the characteristics of the mental disorder, violence may not only be prevented, but public policy will be better refined to distinguish those who long ago were considered "mad" from those seen as "bad."

Using subjects from Bridgewater State Hospital, the only state hospital designated as a maximum security facility in Massachusetts, Nestor has developed four categories of mentally disordered offenders. People in these categories are 1) psychotic organized, 2) psychotic deorganized, 3) substance abusing/depressed/suicidal, or 4) psychopathic. Nestor is especially interested in distinguishing between the psychotic offender and the psychopathic offender, the former being the truly mentally ill person and the latter being the most prevalent. Nestor states, "The symptoms of psychosis that have been linked to violence are typically seen as acute and fleeting. These include intense paranoia related to perceived imminent personal threat or feelings and thoughts of the self or others being under some kind of alien control. Perpetrators who commit violent crimes while in such states therefore believe themselves to be acting in self-defense, "a form of psychotic self-defense that represents a truly irrational criminal motive."

Regarding psychopathy, Nestor adds, "Unlike psychotics, it is seen as an enduring and malignant personality syndrome characterized by callousness, deceit, emotional shallowness, manipulation, social decisiveness, and impulsivity." This disorder is related to antisocial personality disorder, which serial killer Ted Bundy was diagnosed with, and is not considered a mental illness as the offender kills for personal satiation.

Got Used Music?

WUMB 91.9 FM is looking for your old music—records, tapes, and CDs for its upcoming LP and CD Sale, which will be held March 18 and 19 in the McCormack Cafeteria. If you have nothing to donate, come to the sale and choose from thousands of records and CDs, including many cookbooks. Proceeds benefit the Boston Folk Festival. For more information, call 7-6900.
Focus on Affordability and Excellence at Trustees Meeting

By Anne Marie Kent
At the February 2 Board of Trustees meeting held at UMass Boston's University Club, the Board voted to freeze in-state tuition and fees for the fifth consecutive year.

University of Massachusetts President William Bulger stated, "The University of Massachusetts is committed to providing an educational experience of the highest quality for the lowest possible price."

Focusing on high quality and collaboration, the graduate deans of all five campuses offered a slide presentation entitled "Five Campuses: One University." Led by Dean Jerome L. Hopnack of UMass Lowell, the deans outlined the overall excellence of systemwide graduate offerings and concentrated on improvements in intercampus collaboration, including such new administrative efficiencies as simplified cross-registration and grade transfers.

Also highlighted were the growing popularity of graduate certificates, five-year "fast track" combined bachelor's and master's programs, distance learning possibilities among campuses, on-site industry training, the 495 Technology Center, and the new Graduate School of Marine Sciences and Technology.

During his presentation, UMass Boston Dean of Graduate Studies Martin Quitt reported that 12,449 graduate students were enrolled in the UMass system last fall. Noting that 65% of UMass graduate alumni go on to work in Massachusetts, Quitt added, "The contribution that our graduate students are making to the Commonwealth is tremendous."

Chancellor Sherry Penney noted that between 1988 and 1998, the number of UMass Boston's doctoral programs grew from one to nine and external research funding increased from $7.1 million to $17.2 million.

We Break for Ice Cream!

An ice cream social sponsored by the ARD Experiencing the Community Committee brought approximately 350 faculty and staff together for some Ben & Jerry's ice cream on February 14. The ice cream was a hit, with the Ben & Jerry's employees wearing pink aprons and putting on a show for the crowd.

Rockefeller Grant Funds Joiner Center's Project Diaspora

By Dick Laurie
UMass Boston is about to become the site for one of the most important programs to emerge from the continuing study of Vietnam, Vietnam-US relations, and the Vietnamese community abroad. Funded by the Rockefeller Foundation, and under the administration of the William Joiner Center for the Study of War and Social Consequences, a four-year Rockefeller Fellowship Program will bring to this campus distinguished scholars and writers from around the world to be involved in what's called "Project Diaspora: Study of the Vietnamese Overseas."

This program grows out of the unique place UMass Boston already holds as a center for academic, research, and outreach programs in this area. Since 1982 the Joiner Center has sponsored courses, research, workshops, and public forums; facilitated humanist, literary, and educational exchange programs with Vietnam; and earned high regard as a scholarly institution in Vietnam studies. Other partners in the project include the Asian American Studies Program and the East Asian Studies Program—offering courses in their respective fields that are often cross-listed with disciplines in the arts, humanities, and social sciences; the Coalition for Asian Pacific American Youths (CAPAY), providing support services and educational resources for high school youth; and the Institute for Asian American Studies, which gathers resources from the University and the community to conduct research and support Asian American development initiatives in Massachusetts.

The faculty and staff committee whose hard work developed the successful proposal includes Kevin Bowen and Nguyen Ba Chung of the Joiner Center; Hiep Chu of the Institute for Asian American Studies; Madhulika Khandelwal of the Rockefeller Program; and Khanh Thi Tuyet Nguyen of the Joiner Center. (Photo by Harry Brey)

This project fits into the wider discipline of diaspora studies. As explained by residency program director Nguyen Ba Chung, some historically significant diasporas—Chinese, Japanese, South African, Jewish, among others—have been well studied; the Vietnamese diaspora, both before and after the Vietnamese-American war, has not. Now, 25 years later, he says, "there is enough distance to look at it objectively," and as he notes, in Vietnam as well as elsewhere, the diaspora and the questions it raises are "one of the bigger issues at the turn of the century."

Those questions, according to the project's initial documents, include, for example, "Can a fragmented community develop and sustain a sense of collective identity and common purpose?" and "Is there a set of facts, a body of literature, an educational curriculum, a model of community organization, etc., that can act as a catalyst for further dialogue and deeper exploration of the fragmentation itself?"

The project has called for proposals from prospective fellows, each of whom would be on campus for one or two semesters. Decisions on the first group of fellows are expected in March. So far, eighteen proposals have been received, from respondents in the US, Great Britain, France, Norway, and Vietnam, where some of the most important Vietnamese writers concerned with Vietnamese overseas have expressed interest. Joiner Center director Kevin Bowen says the decision process won't be easy, due to the quality of the proposals. Fellows may be undertaking their scholarship in either English or Vietnamese, and built into the project are some first-time events, like Vietnamese journals publishing a selection of scholarly work in English.

Bowen has hopes that this new program will spark even more interest in Vietnamese and Vietnamese-American studies at UMass Boston, and it seems probable that, like a self-fulfilling prophecy, those involved with the Diaspora Project have already done much to bring that about.

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De-Mystifying the Financial Aid Process

By Kathleen Techan, associate chairman for Enrollment Services

To help members of the UMass Boston community improve their understanding of financial aid and offer support to students during the application process, the Enrollment Services Division provides the following information.

The financial aid application cycle is already underway for academic year 2000-1. Prospective and continuing UMass Boston students are invited to apply in February to determine their eligibility for funding for next academic year. To be considered for the first round of awards, students must apply by March 1. Students who apply after that date may be eligible for some federal and state funds, but their eligibility for campus-based funds will be limited, as these are exhausted early.

To apply, students must first complete and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This is available on paper at the Office of Financial Aid Services and on the web at wwwfafsa.ed.gov. Some students who have previously received aid will be sent a renewal FAFSA that will just need updating. Others who have previously filed on line will receive a PIN from the Department of Education to access the renewal form on the web and update their information electronically.

Eligibility for aid for 2000-1 is based on 1999 federal income tax information. Applicants who have not completed federal tax returns should still apply on time, using income and tax estimates. One important new question on the FAFSA relates to convictions for drug offenses. Applicants must complete this item; if it is left blank, the FAFSA will be rejected.

About three weeks after filing, applicants will receive a pink Student Aid Report (SAR) in the mail, and UMass Boston will receive the same information electronically. Applicants should check to be certain that the information on the SAR is correct, paying particular attention to any comments in Part I. If referred to Financial Aid Services, they should follow up immediately.

Some applicants are chosen for verification, which means that they must verify or submit further information about their application and status. Verification can be triggered randomly, by questions left blank on the form, or by inconsistencies in information provided. Applicants who are flagged for verification cannot receive aid until they complete the verification process. Generally this requires submission of all applicable tax forms, W-2 forms, bank statements, and other investment records, as well as documentation of some non-taxable income. Financial Aid Services must verify any flagged applications and any in which the staff notes inconsistencies.

During the first week in April, Financial Aid Services will begin issuing award letters to applicants whose files are complete, including any verification documentation requested. Undergraduate awards are based on the assumption of full-time enrollment and are adjusted according to actual enrollment after the add/drop period. It is necessary to assume full-time enrollment since registrations occur later in the cycle.

To complete the awarding process and avoid delays, students must follow all instructions in the award letter. If an applicant is awarded a Stafford loan, Financial Aid Services will submit a loan request to the Guarantor for processing. The Guarantor will send a promissory note to the student to be completed and returned. When the promissory note is complete and the loan approved, the Guarantor sends certification to UM­mass Boston, and funds to be credited to the student's account.

Students who have received an award letter will have their aid posted to their account in the Bursar's office. Stafford loans are not posted until the Guarantor's certification is on file. Students should complete any loan processes at least eight weeks before the semester begins to be certain that funds will be available before school starts. Remember that after add/drop the aid can be adjusted downward if a student enrolls part-time.

Financial aid sometimes seems to be a very complex and challenging process. But in most cases, if applicants complete forms fully, provide accurate information, and read and follow instructions carefully, all goes smoothly. Financial Aid Services encourages students to contact them directly for advice or guidance.

McCormack Institute Forms New Partnership in Senegal

The McCormack Institute has launched a partnership with the Université Gaston Berger de Saint-Louis in Senegal thanks to a two-year, $100,000 grant from the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

This marks the first time USAID has awarded a grant to UMass Boston. This highly competitive grant will allow the University to strengthen Gaston Berger's capacity to offer instruction and conduct research in political science, the needs of local government, and business law, as well as promote economic development in the surrounding communities.

Three representatives of UMass Boston recently went on a ten-day assessment trip to Gaston Berger. They were Professor Edmund Beard, director of the McCormack Institute and the principal investigator for the project; Professor Jemadari Kamara, chair of the Africana Studies Department; and Margery O'Donnell, administrator of the Center for Democracy and Development of the McCormack Institute.

While there they met with Babacar Kante, director of the Unité de Formation et de Recherche de Sciences Juridiques et Politiques, who is Beard's counterpart at Gaston Berger.

This partnership will present Gaston Berger with an American educational model to compete with the French model that they are presently using. To accomplish the goals of the grant, there will be faculty exchanges, workshops and site visits, networking and outreach programs, and fund-raising with the goal of eventually creating an African-based public policy research center. Though the project was proposed by the McCormack Institute, it does not exclude participation by the rest of the University.

That was made quite clear during the assessment trip by the video conferencing technology that was transmitted from UMass Boston by John Jessoe of the Distance Learning Center. The technology will soon link UMass Boston with Gaston Berger. This new capability will allow students and faculty to interact with counterparts in Africa as never before.

O'Donnell acknowledges that the McCormack Institute has "a deep commitment to Africa" and has other initiatives in Mali and Cameroon. Those other connections in Africa bring their own reward. O'Donnell asserts that "each time we set foot in Africa we generate and develop new initiatives that are subsequently funded by outside agencies."

Two New Computer Labs in McCormack Hall: Students Networked for Success

By Kim Burke

The McCormack Institute Director Ed Beard speaks with a group of Senegalese citizens during the trip to the city of St. Louis in Senegal, West Africa. (Photo by Margery O'Donnell)

By Anne-Marie Kent

Serving students in distinct categories—those enhancing information technology career skills and those beginning undergraduate careers—two new computer labs have been created on the third floor of McCormack Hall.

Boasting seventeen Pentium III Dell 9.6-gigabyte PCs, each running Windows NT 4. Servepack 4, with a Dell PowerEdge 2300 server, the Division of Continuing Education's new lab (M-3-129) supports classes including "Network Essentials," "Creating Webpages with Macromedia Dreamweaver," "Developing Web Pages with Frontpage 2000," and "Webpage Design." The workstations are all connected to the World Wide Web and the UMass Boston network.

"Our objective was to quickly bring to the public a list of training topics responsive to current workplace needs," says Continuing Education's director of professional training programs, Jack Hughes. He adds, "By seeking the advice of faculty such as Oscar Gutierrez and practitioners such as Kristen Sutton from Palorud, we have been able to determine the cutting edge."

Down the hallway, another lab is slated to open in June. This "smart classroom" (M-3-017) is the result of smart thinking by Vice Provost Patricia Davidson, who realized that facilities made possible by a Board of Higher Education grant for board­mandated entry testing could also serve twenty sections of UMass Boston's new quantitative reasoning general education course each year. Professor Mark Pawlak, who teaches a pilot quantitative reasoning course (INTR-D 114), explains that computers enable students to visualize and manipulate complex data in ways that are impossible with simple chalkboard teaching.

Vice Provost Davidson credits a long list of individuals for their assistance, including Lee Nason, James Morrison, Charlie Boland, Joan Becker, Mark Pawlak, Linda Kine, Cynthia Jahn, Enidle Ditch, Joey Horsey, John Applebee, Julie McCauley Sanabria, Steve Kiser, and Ray Melcher. "There are still many steps to be taken before the classroom becomes a reality," Davidson says. "The efforts of everyone involved are greatly appreciated."

McCormack Institute Director Ed Beard speaking with a group of Senegalese citizens during the trip to the city of St. Louis in Senegal, West Africa. (Photo by Margery O'Donnell)
**Recipients of Public Service Grants Named**

By Kurt Cole Eiderig

The University of Massachusetts President's Office announced that more than $20,000 in public service grants were awarded to recipients from UMass Boston for 1999-2000. The awards fund seven separate proposals submitted by UMass Boston full-time faculty or professional staff, for a variety of short-term research projects which received anywhere from $500 to $3,500. The UMass Boston office of the Vice Provost for Research explains that through the public service grant program, the University of Massachusetts system "promotes public service by making available the expertise of faculty and staff to government, business, industry, and the citizens of the Commonwealth in general."

The grant recipients, who were required to submit proposals for a mid-December deadline, represented a broad range of fields. Alice Carter of the Clinical Psychology Program was awarded $5,500 toward the project "Early Detection of Autism: Enhancing Assessment in Early Intervention." According to her application, the project "aims to improve early detection of autism/PDD spectrum disorders to inform intervention efforts."

Offering public service in a completely different manner is John McGah of the McCormick Institute, with his documentary film "Give Us Your Poor: Homelessness and the United States." McGah's project received $3,500 as well. He hopes that his work will 1) educate a national audience on the complexities of homelessness, 2) dispel myths about homeless people, and 3) generate community discussions through free showings of the film.

The remaining public service grants went to: Steven Ackerman, Brian White, and Elizabeth Davis of the Biology Department for the "Development of Animations/Videos for Middle School, High School and College Biology Courses"; Jie Chen and Thomas Ferguson of Computing Services for "Analyzing the MCAS"; Patricia Monarch of WUMB Radio for the "Distribution of the Commonwealth Journal Radio Program"; Martha Montero-Sielurth of the Graduate College of Education for a "Collaborative Public Service Project for Latino Parents"; and Paul Watanabe and Shamina Lo of the Institute for Asian American Studies and the Political Science Department for "Fostering Intercultural Relations by Supporting Educational Opportunities: A UMass Boston/Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund Collaboration."

**Forum Presents Views of Boston's Young Leaders**

By Melisa Faust

An enthusiastic group of young leaders took the stage at State Street Bank on February 9 for the fourteenth Forum for the 21st Century: "Boston's Young Leaders Speak Out." Speakers from various local organizations offered their perspectives on the many challenges and concerns facing Boston's youth today.

Chancellor Penney introduced the forum by reminding the audience of the importance of listening to young voices at UMass Boston, especially since it is the only public university in the city. Alan Khazei, co-founder and CEO of City Year, a national service organization dedicated to community service and leadership, and moderator of the event, remarked on the number of "firsts" that have occurred in Boston. Boston had the first public school (Boston Latin School), the first public park (Boston Common), and the first public library. Khazei would like to see Boston become the first city to truly empower and support its youth.

Young Nguyen, a recent immigrant from Vietnam now a junior at Boston College High School, stressed the importance of improving young people's tolerance of other cultures when asked what troubled him most about life in Boston. Nguyen cited personal experience of people making fun of his accent and cultural differences, and said that he feels "very separate because of [his] ethnicity." Responding to the question "What can be done to make diversity work better for our city?" William Dorcena, president of the board of directors of the Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative, said that business leaders should become more involved in Boston neighborhoods. He sees strengthened relationships between neighborhood residents and business leaders as a way of bridging a socio-economic gap. If business leaders knew what was going on in the neighborhoods—what residents are working on and the struggles they face—a strong collaboration might be developed.

Anissa Essabi, president of the Columbia/Savin Hill Civic Association and Dorchester activists, pointed out that city and state officials, while concerned about problems facing Boston's neighborhoods, "don't live and work in them every day" and base legislation on the views they get from a building overlooking the city. When asked about her goals as a young leader, Karilyn Crockett, a co-founder and director of Multicultural Youth Tour of What's Now (MYTOWN), said she'd like Boston's focus to be on creating a climate of inclusion, "so that everyone can feel at home." MYTOWN attempts to build that connection by bringing young people to research individual families' historical roots to the city.

Kerry Thompson, director of South Boston Catholic Youth Ministry, offered his insights into possible solutions for problems facing youth, with specific reference to young people living in Southie. Thompson sees a collaboration of churches, local organizations, and communities in supporting young Bostonians as a method of decreasing crime and suicide among youth.

Reverend Ray Hammond, founder and pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, served as commentator for the event. Look for the next forum to take place in the fall.

**Wide "Awake" At Harbor Art Gallery**

By Kurt Cole Eiderig

The Harbor Art Gallery is showing a terrifically original show titled "Awake: a group exhibition which explores the intersection of contemporary art and the Tibetan Buddhist tradition" now through March 18. UMass Boston is the exclusive stop for this collection of works by ten Boston-area artists, all of whom either practice Tibetan Buddhism or have stylistic ties to Tibetan art. The works are startlingly different from each other and, as curator and gallery director Noel McKenna points out, the exhibit was difficult to lay out because they vary so much. "But I think it fits together pretty nicely and has a sense of flow," he says.

At first one might wonder about any possible connections among the pieces being exhibited, other than the ties to Tibetan Buddhism. The digital works by Linda Brown—"Hearing What I Said," "Saying What I See," and "Seeing What I Mean"—seem a far cry from the Buddha heads of Paolo Savarino. Yet seeing "Awake" creates many conscious connections. McKenna surmises that "a link is that the work is so strong and very resolved." There is "a consistent strength," he said. "This is an area where the path of making art is similar to the spiritual path. It takes looking at things over and over from different perspectives to begin to figure out what's going on."

The curator explains these similarities best when he says, "In Buddhism there is a term called 'dharma' which has a couple of meanings. Dharma is the word for Buddhist teachings. It is also the word for 'truth.' For these artists the word dharma might refer to the various truths of their lives, truths which come out in the work. "Awake" also includes the work of Bona Anderson, David Brown, Mary Lang, Connie Bigony, Audrey Goldstein, Rachel Paxton, Kris Snibbe and Paul Stopforth. The gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 12:30-6pm, and Saturday, 1-4pm.

Mary Ellen Britt contemplates a sculpture on display at the Harbor Art Gallery at part of "Awake," a show highlighting the intersection of Tibetan and modern art. (Photo by Harry Brett)
SPOTLIGHTS

Athletic Director Titus Recipient of NCAS Community Service Award

In January, Charlie Titus, director of athletics at UMass Boston (in photo above), added the National Consortium for Academics and Sports (NCAS) Community Service and Outreach Award to a long list of honors he has received for his work with youth and the community. The NCAS is a consortium of 183 colleges and universities advocating balance between athletics and academics, and dedicated to providing opportunities for current and former student-athletes to pursue higher education while addressing social issues in the community. Titus has directed athletics at UMass Boston since 1980, and also serves as head men's basketball coach. He is a 1972 graduate of Saint Michael's College in Colchester, Vermont, which recently recognized Titus as an outstanding alumnus. He presently serves as associate commissioner for Boston Parks and Recreation Commission, and on the board of directors for the Roxbury YMCA, Roxbury Boys and Girls Club, the City of Boston Youth Council, the Crime and Justice Foundation, and Freedom House Coalition.

Three students move to final round of the Fulbright Competition

Three UMass Students are in the running for a Fulbright Scholarship for the first time in UMass Boston's history. They are Annie Gauger (BA '99), Alexander Penna (BA, '60) and Colin Ward (BA, '12). Established in 1946, The Fulbright Program awards scholarships to recent BA/BS candidates, master's and doctoral candidates and young professionals and artists. The original goal of the program was to establish a student exchange program to promote positive relations among all nations in an effort to avoid armed warfare. Today's goals are much the same—promoting a better, safer and more informed future for all through cross cultural studies and first hand experience of other cultures. Several factors are examined when a student applies to the program. Among the criteria are scrutiny of each person's motive for foreign study, quota and availability of awards in designated area of study, and relevance of intended field of study in relationship to the program. The Fulbright application process alone warrants a sharp mind and ambitious spirit. The application consists of seven pages of information including three references and a detailed statement of the proposed project. A screening process filters out the finalists. The field is highly competitive and accomplished in their choice of study. Each UMass Boston candidate has reached the final stage and is currently being assessed in their country of choice. United Kingdom for Gauger and Ward, and Norway for Penna. Professor Paul Bookbinder of the History Department is the campus Fulbright representative.

Gerontology Eminent Scholar Appointed as Visiting Professor at University of Hong Kong

Professor Bing Chen, who holds the Frank J. Manning Eminent Scholar's Chair in Gerontology, recently returned from a 19-day visit to Hong Kong, where he is serving a two-year honorary term as a visiting professor at the University of Hong Kong. While there, Chen participated in several conferences and forums. At the conference, "Long Term Care for the Elderly at the Turn of the 21st Century: An International Experience," Chen was the commentator on the topic of the financing of long term care in six countries. He was also the principle speaker at two forums on opportunities and limitations of the Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) which is the compulsory retirement savings plan that Hong Kong is implementing this year. Finally, as plenary speaker Chen addressed representatives from 15 Asian and Oceanic countries at the Second Asian Regional Conference on Social Security. Chen's presentation was "Providing Retirement Security: Why Should We Combine Private and Public Approaches?"  

Wein Appointed to Governor's Commission on Physical Fitness and Sports

Debra Wein, MS, RD, general manager of the Beacon Fitness Center, has been appointed to serve on the Governor's Commission on Physical Fitness and Sports. Wein promotes health and fitness on campus, teaching seminars on fitness, nutrition, and weight management at the fitness center and in the Learning Center, and throughout the Commonwealth for such organizations as the American College of Sports Medicine and the American Heart Association. In addition she has coordinated the National Eating Disorders Screening Program for the campus community. She will also be teaching an academic class on nutrition and sports this summer. The Massachusetts Governor's Committee on Physical Fitness and Sports (GCPFS) was founded in 1973 to promote sports and fitness activities that improve the health and well-being of the citizens of the Commonwealth. Members of the Committee are appointed by the Governor and represent fields from sports medicine to public health to amateur and professional sports. The Committee members meet monthly to distribute grant money to fund community programs and promote and propose initiatives. Wein will serve a two-year term expiring June 23, 2002.

Mass Field Center for Teaching and Learning Conference to be Held March 10

"Teaching for Understanding in a Standards-Based Environment" is the theme of a conference being sponsored by the Massachusetts Field Center for Teaching and Learning and the Leadership Academy of Massachusetts, located at the Graduate College of Education. The featured speaker is Grant Wiggins, president and director of programs for the Center on Learning, Assessment and School Structure (CLASS), a not-for-profit educational organization in Pennington, New Jersey. The day-long conference takes place March 10 at the Weston Regency Inn and Conference Center in Weston, Massachusetts. The conference will focus on providing approaches to curriculum and instruction to engage students in inquiry, establish curricular priorities, and assessment methods to determine student understanding. For more information, contact the Mass Field Center at 7-7660.

University Arrange Special Hotel Rates for Visitors

The Office of Student Employment and Housing Services has arranged for UMass Boston visitors to receive special corporate rates at four local hotels. Prospective students and their parents, UMass Boston employees, visiting scholars and others will now be able to take advantage of this opportunity. The hotels are the Boston Park Plaza, the Club Hotel by Doubleday Boston Bayside, the Holiday Inn Express, and Susse Chalet Boston. Certain "blackout" dates may apply, and individual hotels should be contacted for details. You can find a listing of the hotel rates online at www.umb.edu/umb/sehs.

College of Nursing Hosts Distinguished Scholar

The College of Nursing Ph.D. Program began its Spring Distinguished Scholars Guest Speaker Series with a presentation by Mary Jane Hannah, PhD, RN, FNP, director of the Graduate Family Nurse Practitioner Program at the University of Scranton. Hanson presented her research paper "Gender Differences in Predicting Smoking Behavior Among College Students." She has spent many years studying the predictors and behavior of smoking among ethnic, social and gender groups, her presentation indicated that while there are gender differences related to smoking, no single theory can predict why people start smoking. One of the goals of her research is to better understand what motivates people to smoke in order to tailor new research and smoking intervention programs to meet the specific needs of that group. She will be sending her new research to various peer-reviewed journals and will also attend a conference in Washington D.C. sponsored by The Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco.

Conference Co-Sponsored by Greater Boston Manufacturing Partnership Promotes Lean Production Systems Design 2000

A conference held January 19 to 21 sponsored by the Greater Boston Manufacturing Partnership (GBMP) and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) presented a national and international audience with hands-on learning of manufacturing concepts and systems known as Lean Production Systems. This system aims to increase productivity, product delivery speed, and floor space while reducing unnecessary inventory, errors and shift changeover time. Manufacturers attending the conference also benefit from the placement of MIT students in their factories to help with implementation of the system. The GBMP assists small to medium sized manufacturing companies become more productive and competitive. It is located in the College of Management.

UMass Poll Identifies Major Shifts in Voter Trends leading to New Hampshire Primary

The University of Massachusetts Policy was the first, and sometimes the only tracking poll to identify major shifts in voter trends leading up to the New Hampshire presidential primary elections. In the final week before the primary, the UMass Poll showed a 15-point margin for republican John McCain, while all other polls had McCain's lead in the low single digits. He won by 19 points. The UMass Poll is based at the Center for State and Local Policy, McCormack Institute, and is supported by the Donahue Institute. The UMass Poll is directed by Lou DiNatale, who also directs the Center for State and Local Policy.

Spotlights were written by Annette Veros, Kim Barnes, Krista Gomis, and Lauren Lynch.
Director Hired to Aid Outreach in Urban Education

By Anne-Marie Kent

In recent years, UMass Boston alumna and current doctoral candidate Pamela Trefler has donated $3.6 million to aid UMass Boston's outreach to Boston public schools including Dorchester, East Boston, Madison Park, and English high schools.

This January, the effort entered a new stage as former Boston Foundation Vice President Christine Green was hired as director of the Initiative for Excellence in Urban Education. "Working with the Graduate College of Education and the Trefler Foundation, I can help connect and create a body of knowledge and help add to the investment in the schools," Green explains.

With a doctorate in educational leadership, administration, planning and policy from Boston University, Green is experienced in strategic planning, grant initiative development, grantmaking, nonprofit research, operations design, and evaluation.

Graduate College of Education Dean Virginia Smith Harvey notes that Green will be helpful in terms of "looking at which areas are most effectively targeted when funds are provided to the schools by either public or private sources."

In addition to working for the Boston Foundation and consulting for the Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund and the Massachusetts Environmental Trust, Green has also had direct experience working with the Boston Public Schools. From 1985 to 1987, she served as director of the Boston Public Schools/ Boston University Initiative for Urban Education, working to develop school and university partnerships. In her current role, Green is still in an information-gathering stage. She says, "I'm taking a look at how the programs operate, and thinking about how to get more resources, how to elevate the profile of this work both locally and nationally."

Pamela Trefler welcomes the addition. "We think that she will take the work that we're doing to a much higher level," she says.

URBAN SCHOLARS PLANT SEEDS OF SUCCESS

By Kim Burke

At the end, the conference room at the John Hancock Conference Center looked as if a bunch of teenagers had just left—as in fact they had. But these were no ordinary teenagers: they were participants in the Urban Scholars Twelfth Annual Student Conference.

Called "Planting the Seeds for Our Future," it included 14 workshops on very diverse topics that touched on central themes of teamwork, self-motivation, and education. These are key ingredients the students will use to build their future. CPCS faculty member Kelly Matthews, co-facilitator for the conference (along with Urban Scholars Director Adeline Mirabal), has great enthusiasm for the program. She has seen it work, both as a teacher in the Boston public school system and now as an advisor. Matthews says the program "makes a strong commitment to kids" and that approximately 90% of Urban Scholars students go to college. By organizing a conference on their own, the students learn to take on more responsibility.

This year's conference was planned by sixteen Urban Scholars who served on various development committees.

Program Committee member Andrea Ramkisson noted that the workshop topics were chosen according to what the committee members thought would hold greatest interest for the participating students. And they had their interest held, by workshops on theater, HIV awareness, teen empowerment, and dispute resolution, name only a few topics.

Jeremiah E. Burke 10th grader Otto James McGill, who is also in the Admission Guaranteed Program at UMass Boston, answered with a definitive "yes" when asked if the conference had motivated him. He said the conference will help him "make the right choices" for his future and gave him access to resources that will help him plan ahead.

Keynote speaker Pamela Trefler, executive director of the Trefler Foundation, stressed that the "most important thing education can give you is choice." She praised the Urban Scholars Program as "one of the best programs in Boston and that I've seen in the country," she said. The lessons learned at this conference will certainly echo into the future.

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Satisfaction, in an often premeditated Nestor Research

phasis are considered appropriate only substantially eroded by serious mental illness.

The fact that there are far more male than female psychopaths who commit violent acts has led Nestor to investigate possible neurohor- monal components of psychopathy. His research has shown that these male offenders have better spatial than verbal abilities, with a remarkable capacity to size up novel social situations on one hand, but an apparently underde- veloped social conscience on the other. Nestor looks to the hor­ mone testosterone for possible answers. He believes that the differ­ ential gender distribution of test­ tosterone could be linked to the over-representation of male psych­ opathy. "Supporting evidence from both animal and human stud­ ies has demonstrated that varia­ tions in testosterone levels corre­ spond to changes in the expression of a number of behaviors relevant to psychopathy, including aggres­ sion, social dominance, reading abilities, and spatial cognition." The link is tantalizing. A better understanding of the neurobio­ logical mechanisms of psychop­ athy could lead to more effective therapies for the disorder.

Nestor's research is unique in that previous studies have investigated the neurophysiological and psychophysiological components of psychoparmacology and psychopathy independently, but few if any have directly compared these condi­ tions. In doing so, Nestor moves closer to establishing definitive models of these disorders that will help both the justice system and its penal institutions better under­ stand and treat mentally disor­ dered violent offenders according to the nature of their disorders and the characteristics of their offenses.

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late into inspiration that will help girls and women imagine roles for them­ selves beyond the traditional limits. Hence Women's History Month and related activities—all dedicated to getting the word out, especially about the movers and shakers! Women's History Month itself has a relatively short history. The idea of selecting a particular time for pub­ lic celebration of women's historical influence on society and culture dates back at least to 1979, during the final push for women's suffrage, when the American Socialist Party began to sponsor a Woman's Day in late Feb­ ruary. During the late 60s and early 70s, International Women's Day (March 8) was ranked as a time to reenforce the egalitarian political vi­ sion of the women's liberation move­ ment by grass-roots women's orga­ nizations such as the Dorchester Women's Committee. In 1981, Rep. Barbara Mikulski co-sponsored the first Congressional resolution design­ ating a week in March as Women's History Week. In 1987, the National Women's History Project was instru­ mental in pushing Congress to dedi­ cate the entire month of March to women's history.

Women's history projects and events can now be found not only in schools, colleges, libraries, and mu­ seums, but also in streets and parks, and even in cyberspace! Here on campus, the Sixth Annual Women's History Month and the National Women's Day Celebration is a series of events co-sponsored by the Cen­ ter for Women in Politics and Pub­ lic Policy, the Women's Center, and the Women's Studies Program.

Among this year's offerings are a lec­ ture by Prof. Weil Ye on "The Myths and Realities of 'Sent-Down Girls': A Chinese Memoir", a discussion of the impact of education on low-in­ come women; and the Women's Re­ search Forum. Watch for the Women's History Month event cal­ endar or call 287-6785 for further details.

In the streets and parks of Bos­ ton, you can celebrate Women's His­ tory Month by taking a walk down the Boston Women's Heritage Trail, or visiting the newly enhanced Harriet Tubman Park on Columbus Avenue in the South End, or participat­ ing in the Boston Women's Me­ morial Gala Fundraiser, which will be hosted by Mayor and Mrs. Menino at the Fairmont Copley Plaza on March 9, and will honor American women as represented by Boston's Alagal Masa's Hattie Wheatley, and Lucy Stone.

Cyberspace is full of vibrant Women's History sites. Check out the National Women's History Project (http://www.nwhp.org) where you will find a "Best Your Women's History LQ." Featuring questions about influential women who should be better known—in­ including Mary Harris Jones, Dolores Huerta, Madam C.J. Walker, Queen Liliuokalani, and Sarah Winnemucca. One month is too short for all the learning now avail­ able. On to women's history all year round!
In January, faculty and graduate students of the Department of Anthropology and Archeological Archaeology Program presented recently completed research on the Magnasco site, one of John Eliot's Christian Native Communities, at the annual meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology in Quebec City. Presenters included Professor Barbara Leask and Stephen Mrozowski, who organized the session, and students and graduates John P. Murphy, Katherine Priddy, David Brown, Holly Herberle, and John Kelley.

On February 5, Carol Hardy-Fanta, research director, Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy and Tess Browne, Mass Audit coordinator, presented a seminar on the Women at Work 2000 Conference, the five-year follow up to the UN International's Women's Conference held in Beijing in 1995. Hardy-Fanta and Browne's presentation was on the Mass Action for Women Audit.

Professor Stephen Mrozowski of the Anthropology Department presented a paper in the New York Academy of Sciences on the topic "Historical Archaeology and the Future of Anthropological Research." In February 28, Physics Professor Gopal Rao presented his technical information processing on December 9 to the Boston Chapter of the National Society of Imaging Science and Technology at the Polaroid Corporation in Waltham.

In February, June Kuzmkes, coordinator of the UMass Boston-Downs-TechNoloqy-Distance Learning Partnership, Sandra Simpson and Chris Baumgarten, teachers at Dorchester High School, and Emily Bibbins, a Teach-Year-Then student, presented a conference session on the collaborative development and implementation of Teach Year Next, the Dorchester High School-based adult education preparation program. The session was held at the annual meeting of the American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education in Chicago.

Professor Edmund Beard, director of the McCormick Institute, presented a public lecture at the Romanian Cultural Foundation in Bucharest, Romania on February 9. His topic was "Continuity and Change in the American Political Party System: A Preview of the 2002 U.S. Presidential Election."

Professor Margaret Driscoll, director of the Instructional Design Program, was a keynote speaker at the United States Air Force Special Operations Base at Hurlburt Airforce Base in Florida, where she delivered a talk on web-based training, "Expanding the Page Turner.

Professor Frederick C. Gamst of the Anthropology Department made several presentations on labor and safety issues in the railroad industry in December and January. One of only three faculty members invited to serve on the Railroad Safety Advisory Committee to the Federal Railroad Administrator, Garret helped formulate industry automation standards in December following two years of research. His findings, which led to a prohibition of one-person freight train crews, was another that he presented to railroad unions in December, and in January, he presented on the same topics to the Transportation Research Board of the National Academy of Science.

Adrian Haugabrook, assistant dean of students, was the keynote speaker at the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts in North Adams on February 12. He also facilitated the opening and closing sessions of the conference, the theme of which was "CAUTION: Leaders under Construction."

Harold Horton, associate director of the William Monroe Trotter Institute, presented "Fact, Fiction, and Faith as Related to Affirmative Action" at a campus-wide teach-in, "In Defense of Affirmative Action" held at UMass Amherst in September. He also was the discussant for a symposium, "The Role of Research in Challenging Racial Inequalities in Education" at the April 1999 meeting of the American Educational Research Association (AERA) in Montreal, Canada.

Professor Garrison Nelson, senior fellow, McCormick Institute, participated at a conference on Presidential-Congressional Relations at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology on January 29.

Professor Segi Stefan of the General Com., DCPS, presented a paper, "Gender Structures in Post-Independence Era: Comparability and Tensions" at the DuBois Institute, Harvard University on February 2. Her presentation was sponsored by the Civil Society and Democratic Research Group. A shorter version of the paper was presented at the National Union of Eritrean Women's 20th Anniversary Conference on November 28, 1999 in Asmara, Eritrea.

Professor Rajini Sirkanth (English) Lois Rudnick (American Studies/English) and Larry Blum (Philosophy) have been hired by WGBH Television to provide workshops for Boston area schoolchildren in conjunction with the new television series, "Culture Shock," which focuses on controversial works of art, literature, and music. They will be presenting a workshop on March 21 related to the Culture Shock episode, "Born to Trouble: The Trouble of Huckleberry Finn," dealing with issues of race and racism in the novel. They previously presented their workshop on February 10 on campus, and led a discussion after a screening of the documentary at the Boston Public Library on February 1.

Honor and Awards

Michael Borek, director of the Harbor Explorations Program at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is the recipient of the 1999 Public Award given by the New England Water Environment Association, an organization that promotes the objectives of cleaner water and increased public awareness of water pollution.

Music major Daniel Barrett Sumber co-produced, played guitar, and sang on the album "Silver Bowl" which was recently nominated for a Boston Music Award. The album features vocalist Kristin Cifteli and was nominated in the Best New Folk Album category. Sumber is a student of Professor David Patterson.

Publications


Professor Donaldo Macedo of the English Department and Applied Linguistics has written a new book, Dancing with Bipolarity. 'In addition to the Politics of Toleration co-authored with Professor Lilia Bartolome of the English Department and published by St. Martin's Press. He also co-authored with Bartolome "El Racismo en La Era de la Sibica Lazocon" in La educaci6n en el siglo XXI: Los retos del futuro imnedato editado by Francisco Imbembo. This text was published, edited Editorial GRAO, Barcelona, Spain. In addition, the following articles by Macedo have been published: "The Illiteracy of English-Only Literacy" in Educational Leadership; "Decolonizing the English-Only Movement" published by Harvard University Publishing Group; and "Freire: el pedagogo mas importante del siglo XIX" which appeared in Educacion Social, Barcelona, Spain.

A critique of the Inkermark's web-based learning center by Professor Margaret Driscoll, director of the Instructional Design Program was published in the February 2000 issue of Inside Technology training magazine. The critique is titled "Web-based Training: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly."

Grants

The Center for Social Policy, McCormick Institute, has been awarded a $143,000, fifteen-month grant from the US Department of Health and Human Services to assess the impact of welfare reform on trends in this emergency services. This project involves collection and analysis of data and case studies of emergency service providers and recipients from six cities in Massachusetts, and will be done in collaboration with the Institute for Asian American Studies and the Trotter Institute.

Outreach

Staff members from the Center for Social Policy, McCormick Institute, participated in the one-night census of homeless persons for the City of Boston on December 13. They worked with staff members from the Long Island Shelter and Pine Street Inn to gather information on a random sample of individuals who sought shelter that night. The information was analyzed in comparison to other statewide homeless information collected by the Center through the ARCHIT Project.

Performance

Fernando Colina of the Office of Institutional Research, was one of 450 performers who staged Mallory's Symphony No. 8 with the Boston Philharmonic at Symphony Hall. As a member of the Con Pro Musica, these same performers staged an encore presentation at Carnegie Hall in New York City on January 19.

Events

The Labor Resource Center and the Massachusetts AFL-CIO COC co-hosted an economic development summit of 22 representatives from 11 state research institutions working in the areas of labor, economic development, workforce development, and labor market analysis. Three Umass Boston centers, the McCormick Institute, the Gaston Institute's Center for Community and Economic Development, and the Labor Resource Center.

On February 1, Umass Boston hosted a "virtual board meeting" of the Massachusetts Chapter of the Alchemists Association, connecting sites in Lowell and Hadley with Umass Boston. The video conferencing technology was coordinated by John Jesse of the Distance Learning Center, and supported by the Massachusetts Tumpike Initiative (MITI). Professor Nina Silverstein, director of the Undergraduate Program in Gerontology, is president of the Massachusetts Alzheimer's Association.

A reception honoring government and educational officials from the People's Government, Guangdong Province, China, was held on January 29 by Chancellor Penney and Dean Philip Quaglieri of the College of Management. John Ciccarelli, assistant to the Chancellor for Economic Development, organized this program which is part of the Peoples Government, Guangdong Province, which provides the nine officials with training in western management concepts through College of Management and other courses.

Appointments

Susan Swamn has been appointed director of the GEAR UP program, a new initiative of the University's Pre-Collegiate and Educational Support Services funded by the US Department of Education to increase the number of minority students who apply to and graduate from college. She will be responsible for preparing courses, workshops and certificate programs for the DGSC's Technology Training Center. Previously, Brown-Sederberg has held positions in the Office of the State Auditor and at Bridgewater State College.

In the News

An op-ed article by Professor Lawrence G. Franko of the College of Management, "HMO's plight for markets" appeared in the Boston Herald on January 12, 2000. His letter to the editor of The Boston Globe on the same topic was published on February 5.

Edmund Beard, director of the McCormick Institute, was a guest on Russian Television's public affairs show "Orient Express." He was interviewed on the 2000 presidential election.

Dale H. Freeman of the Umass Boston Archives was interviewed on the Chelsein and Greater Lowell area cable television show "The Writers" to discuss his publications in the Historical Journal of Massachusetts and his thesis on the history of the West Boston Bridge.

Copyright Award

On January 28, the United States Department of Commerce, Patent and Trademark Office has designated Umass Boston the exclusive trademark or copyright for the title of our public sculpture park, Arts on the Point.
Calendar of Events

The Calendar of Events is published monthly by the Office of Public Information. 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 event.

Send submissions by the third Monday of the Month to Calendar of Events, University Communications, Quinn Administration Bldg., 3rd floor. Fax: 617-287-5305.

Wednesday 1

Environmental, Coastal & Ocean Sciences Department Seminar: "Waste Disposal in the Deep Ocean.
9:30 - 10:00 a.m., Science Building, 1st floor. Small Science Auditorium. Featuring Dr. James Blake, Senior Marine Ecologist, ENR Consulting. Call 7-7440 for more information.

WUMB 91.9 FM Women's History Month Special
All-day celebration of International Women's Day featuring special music presentations and guests. For more information, call 7-6800.

Thursday 2

Writing Effectively
9:30 - 11:30 a.m., Learning Center, Healey Library. Presented by SEU 285, a Worker Education Program. Call 541-6847 ext. 126 for more information.

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Public Policy Program Dissertation Hearing
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Healey Library, 10th floor. Call 541-6847 ext. 126 for an appointment or for more information.

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8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Wseford Regina Inn and Conference Center. Featuring Grant Wiggins. Co-sponsored by the Teacher Leadership Academy of Massachusetts and the Graduate College of Education. Call 7-7600 for more information.

Monday 13

Spring Break Begins.

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Yoga
1:15 - 2:00 p.m., McCormack, 1st floor, room 208. Free, drop-in basis. Beginners are welcome, instruction provided. Mats provided, no change of clothes needed.

The Bernard A. Stokely Lecture Series
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Media Auditorium, Lower Level, Healey Library. Prof. Spen­ce Dicala will lecture and present the film, "The Righteous Envy." All are welcome. A reception with light refreshments will follow. Sponsored by the McCormack Institute. For more information call 7-6550.

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Instructional Design Program Career Night
7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Healey Library, LL, Room P-3. Find out about opportunities and trends in instructional technology and careers available to place­ment firm representatives, hiring managers, and administrative and development vendors. For more information, call 7-6800.

Friday 10

Massachusetts Field Center Conference: "Teaching for Understanding in a Standardized-Based Environment.
8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Westford Regina Inn and Conference Center. Featuring Grant Wiggins. Co-sponsored by the Teacher Leadership Academy of Massachusetts and the Graduate College of Education. Call 7-7600 for more information.

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Friday 17

Evacuation Day.

Saturday 18

WUMB 91.9 FM LP and CD Sale
March 18th and 19th, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., McCormack Building, Cafeteria. Call 7-6900 to donate or for more information.

WUMB 91.9 FM Member Concert
2:00 p.m., UMass Boston, Wheatley Hall, Snowden Auditorium. Featuring Bill Morrissey. Seating is limited. For reserva­tions or more information, call 7-6800.

Sunday 19

CAPAY 7th Annual Leadership Symposium
CAPAY is a youth-run statewide organization that provides critical leadership edu­cation and provides to Asian Pacific American youth. For more information, call 7-7658.

WUMB 91.9 FM Women's History Month Special
8:00 p.m., "WHIR: 100 Beautiful Watts," a National Public Radio special on the first "all-girl radio station in the world," which debuted in 1955. For more information, call 7-6800.

Monday 20

Classes resume.

Tuesday 21


WGBH Hack Fins Teacher Workshop
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. An exploration of just what makes Hack Fins controversial, compelling, and relevant to the times we live in. Co-sponsored by WGBH and WMass Boston. Call 7-6878 for workshop registration and information.

Thursday 23


Public Policy Program Dissertation Defense
10:30 - 11:00 a.m., Administration, 3rd floor, room 308. Wei Wu will present her dissertation, "Supplemental In­tervention Care for Frail Elders with Familial Sclerosis: A comparison of White, Hispanic, and Asian Non-Spouse Caregivers. Call 7-7302 for more information.

The Catholic Campus Ministry
Catholic student meetings on Mondays from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., McCormack, room 107. Bible study weekly held Tuesday from 11:30 - 12:30 p.m. Masses held Mondays and Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m., and Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. Call 7-6878 for more information.

Sponsored by the Office of Campus Ministry and the Women's Center. For more infor­mation, call 7-6878.

Friday 24

Public Policy Faculty Proposals Due. Professional Development Grant propos­als for Instructional Technology for Aca­demic Development due. Notification to take place by May 15, 2000. Call 7-6938 for more information.

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Public Policy Post-Residency Dinner
5:30 p.m., Healey Library, 10th floor, room 208. Please RSVP at 7-6800 for more infor­mation.

Wednesday 29

Women's Research Forum
2:30 to 4:00 p.m., the Chancellor's Confer­ence room, 3rd floor Administration Building. Featuring faculty members from the Col­lege of Nursing who will speak about current research on women's health. Co­sponsored by the Center for Women in Public and Policy, the Office of the Chancellor and the Women's Studies Program.

Thursday 30

Writing Effectively
9:30 - 11:30 a.m., Learning Center, Healey Library. Presented by SEU 285, a Worker Education Program. Call 541-6847 ext. 126 for more information.

Women's History Month Workshop
1:00 - 3:00 p.m., Wheatley Hall, 4th floor, Student Lounge. "The Impact of Education on Low-income Women," sponsored by the College of Public and Community Service and the Women's Center. For more infor­mation, call 7-6878.

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Grief Support Gatherings
Tuesdays 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., McCormack Bldg., 3rd floor, room 717. Individual sup­port sessions are also available. Call 7- 5929 for an appointment or for more infor­mation.

Alcohol Screening
Free and confidential screening for insight into use of alcohol. Individual and confi­dential free consultation appointments are also available. For more information call Linda Jorgensen at 7-5680.