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Special Faculty Meeting

A special meeting of the Faculty will be held on Friday, February 14 at 12:30 p. m. in the Large Lecture Hall of the Science Building. President Wood will address the Faculty on matters concerning the University's situation. This will be a very important meeting and every faculty member is urged to be present.

Journal Editor

Dr. Barbara Ross, Associate Professor, Psychology I, has been named Editor of the Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences, an international journal of ten years' standing which covers the fields of anthropology, history, linguistics, neurology, neuropsychology, psychiatry, psychoanalysis, psychology and sociology. The Journal has outstanding scholars in the various disciplines serving on the Editorial Board, including Robert K. Merton and Alvin Gouldner in Sociology, Michael Scriven in Philosophy and George Stocking and Dell Hymes in Anthropology.

Poetry Prize

The Academy of American Poets is offering a prize of \$100 for the best poem or poems by a student at UMass-Boston. The poems will be judged by a committee composed of Alan Helms, English I; Martha Collins, English II; and Harry Proudfoot, of the English Student Advisory Group. The prize will be awarded by the Departments of English at the close of the spring term.

Typewritten manuscripts should be submitted to Diedre Dow, secretary in English I, by April 1. Any number of poems will be accepted, but students are advised to limit themselves to their very best work. To insure impartiality, names should be omitted from all manuscripts. Faculty are requested to inform students about the contest.

Computer Facilities

Computer users should be aware that the KRONOS service categories have been changed. Most users will not experience any noticeable change. Anyone having problems should call X2385.

Social Change in Puerto Rico

As a part of the Anthropology Colloquium Series, on Friday, February 14, Professor Sidney W. Mintz (Institute for Advanced Study, and Professor of Anthropology at John Hopkins University) will speak about "Twenty-five Years of Social Change in a Puerto Rican Proletarian Village". Professor Mintz is one of the few scholars to have carried out extensive field research in the British, Hispanic, and Gallic subareas of the Caribbean. As well as having done field research in Jamaica and Haiti, it is his field study of the Puerto Rican village which is the concern of his UMass-Boston talk. Since receiving his PH. D. in Anthro -

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pology from Columbia University in 1951 Mintz has published extensively on the Caribbean. He is co-author (with Julian Steward et al) of *The People of Puerto Rico* (1956) and author of *Worker in the Cane: A Puerto Rican Life History* (1960), *Caribbean Transformations* (1974) and numerous articles on Caribbean life and culture. Mintz has taught at City College-C.U.N.Y., Queens College-C.U.N.Y., Columbia, Yale, M.I.T., Wesleyan, and l'Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes. he is a past President of the American Ethnological Society.

The event will be held at 12:30 p.m., College II, 2nd floor, room 008 (College II Auditorium).

Prins-Berman Concert

The mid-season concert of the Wellesley Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Robert J. Prins, will be held at 8:00 p.m., Friday, February 14th at the Wellesley Junior High School. Mr. Prins is Associate Professor of Music at UMass-Boston. Soloist for Friday's performance is Laurence Berman, Chairman of the UMass-Boston Music Department, who will perform Chopin's Piano Concerto No. 2 in F Minor. The program also includes Copland's Rodeo suite, Dvorak's Slavonic Dance No. 8, and Beethoven's Symphony No. 8. The Orchestra is sponsored by the Wellesley Recreation Department and the public is invited free of charge.

Five-College Charter Flight

A Five-College Charter Flight will be offered next summer:-- Boston - London June 18, London - Boston August 20, \$285. round-trip. Pan American 707. Deadline for full payment March 14. Early sign-up urged. Contact International Programs Office, 239 Whitmore, UMass-Amherst.

MLA Speaker

Dr. Rodney E. Harris (French, College II) spoke on "The Scrupulous Césaire" in December in New York City at a seminar devoted to the works of Aimé Césaire during the meetings of the Modern Language Association of America. Professor Harris has been asked to present a paper at The African Literature Association which will be held at the University of Texas (Austin) in March.

Fred Young

It is safe to say that not many of the faculty, students or staff at the Harbor Campus knew Fred Young. He is one of the many unsung people who keep the campus going, a member of the support staff who aid in keeping our prime mission of education functioning.

Fred Young died last week. He was 55, and those who worked with him in the Utility Plant mourn his loss. For most of his working life he was a machinist's mate in the Navy, and had worked at General Dynamics in Quincy before he came here in 1973.

His colleagues regarded him as a "pro" -- the highest accolade that one craftsman can give to another.

To his wife Anna and his daughters Kathleen and Mary, the UMass-Boston community offers its sincere condolences at their untimely loss and bereavement.

Mouvements en Equilibre

In the passageways of College II are a series of colorful designs created by Phillippe Paul, a student at UMass-Boston. The paintings are on loan to the university; they have certainly up-lifted the bare walls, and are an eye appealing attraction to the attractive building.

Measuring 80" x 60", you can have one of these designs or commission one of these murals from Phillippe. He charges a bargain rate -- \$30, and for an extra \$5 will install the mural. If you are interested, contact him through the College II Dean's Office or at 267-8774.

Eagle Scout Project

Brian Mahon is an Eagle Scout candidate, and his Scout Troop #182 has a worthwhile project --- collecting canned foods for poor and needy people of Dorchester. Brian and his fellow Scouts suggest donations of canned stew, hash, and soup. Brian says, "You can bring your contribution to the Physics Office, and Thank You very much."

He is the son of Professor and Mrs. Harold Mahon, with his heart in the right place.

DUNA

DUNA -- Dorchester United Neighborhood Association -- has a close affiliation with UMass-Boston. This is an outstanding civic organization representing all of Dorchester's many neighborhoods for the advancement and progress of one of the Commonwealth's largest communities (only Worcester and Springfield are larger.)

It really was not infiltration by UMass-Boston when it was announced recently that Stephen Graham, Jr., a UMass-Boston student, has been elected president of the organization, because he has for several years been active in many of its programs. In his inaugural message, he said: "This upcoming year will be a trying one for Dorchester and our goal must be unification -- understanding and seeking solutions to our problems. However, with the proven leadership, integrity, and hard work of Dorchester's civic associations, there is no problem that can't be overcome or solved."

A Vice President of DUNA is Mrs. Catherine Clark, a trustee of the University. Corresponding Secretary is Dolores Miller, of the Grant and Development Office.

Automatic Payroll Deposit

A questionnaire was given to each employee with the pay envelopes on December 20, 1974. These questionnaires were to be completed and returned to the Personnel Office via Campus Mail. If you have not done so, please complete the questionnaire in order that the analysis of banking interest can be finalized.

Snow

The telephone switchboard last week was deluged with calls asking if classes were to be held or cancelled. There should be no need for the calls.

If classes are to be cancelled, radio announcements on WRKO, WHDH, WEEL, and WBZ will be made before 7 a.m. Please tune in to these stations when there is a prospect that a cancellation may be made.

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Our physical plant staff keeps constant alerts to weather forecasts and conditions with the Weather Bureau, Department of Public Works, and the MBTA. This is done throughout the night.

If weather conditions worsen, Charles Spaulding, Director of the Physical Plant, advises Vice Chancellor Hamilton who has to make a school or no school decision. This is done in consultation with the Chancellor. If the decision is to cancel classes, Public Relations Director John Larner is advised, and he calls the Radio Stations.

As mentioned in the December 3, 1974 Bulletin: The staff is expected to report for their regular duties, even if classes are cancelled. The only exception to this will be when the City of Boston officials make announcements barring transportation in- to the city.

O'Connell, Next Chapter

"For decades Londoners and visitors could be assured that Sunday mornings would not pass blankly, for there would at least be a piece on books by waspish Cyril Connelly in the Sunday Times." --- Boston Globe, January 26, 1975.

This is the opening of another Shaun O'Connell review, this time Cyril Connelly's The Evening Collonade. It may be said that hardly a day -- or at least a week -- passes that an O'Connell Boston Globe review is not published, and is worth looking for with its clear and critical prose, whether admiring or admonishing. The Connelly book got a 4.0 while Malraux: Past, Present and Future, conversations with Guy Suares (reviewed 2/2/72) is flunked with a description of the book as "nothing more than a commercial rip-off, an exploitation of a great man."

O'Connell teaches English in College II.

Authors

Dr. Nancy Hoyt St. John (Sociology II) is the author of a book published January 16th by John Wiley & Sons Inc. Her book is School Desegregation Outcomes for Children, 236pp. \$13.95. More about his later.

On the Spring list of publisher Dodd Mead are two books by UMass-Boston faculty. Literature de la American Hispanics: Antologia e historica was written by Professor Ricardo Navas-Ruiz, (Spanish I) and Professor Frederick S. Stimson, Northwestern University. This is the third volume of a Dodd Mead survey of American literature designed for students of Spanish. Poetry and prose from 1920 to the present are included in the book.

The Black Community: Diversity and Unity by Professor James Blackwell (Sociology I) draws on history and sociology in his account of changing race relations in the United States over the past two decades. He deflates the myth of black homogeneity by showing the vast differences in life styles, philosophies for social change, and political ideologies among Black people. He also analyzes contemporary issues such as busing, black capitalism, housing, and civil rights.

Civil Rights Appointees

Prof. David Smith of the College of Public and Community Service and Ms. Tracy Amalfatino, a student in the College, have been appointed to the State Advisory Committee for the Civil Rights Commission.