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University of Massachusetts at Boston

Summer School

The UMass-Boston Summer School began its season yesterday (Monday) with more than 1300 students enrolled. Students from UMass-Boston, UMass-Amherst, and other colleges and universities are enrolled in 87 sections in 68 courses being offered.

Maria Luisa Roberts, Director of the Summer School, is making plans for cultural and social events for the students in addition to their classroom and laboratory work, including participation in the Sailing Program.

Graduations

Although our own Commencement ceremony has passed into history, there have been other graduation ceremonies on campus this month of June. The Science Auditorium was overflowing with students, families and friends of the 200 graduates of the John W. McCormack Middle School last Thursday. Chancellor Carlo L. Golino gave encouragement to the new diploma winners as well as School Committeeman Paul W. Tierney. The audience also heard words of wisdom from one to whom the school has a special meaning, Former U.S. Speaker John W. McCormack who enjoys participating in this annual event.

On Friday the students of the Dearborn School received their diplomas in similar colorful ceremonies at the Science Auditorium.

At the Downtown Center this coming Friday will be the graduation for the Madison Park High School seniors. The temporary quarters for this magnet high school are at 100 Arlington St.

Faculty Development Grants

The Committee for Faculty Development Grants has announced that grants of \$950 to untenured faculty and \$500 to tenured faculty have been awarded. The funds will be used to carry out the research proposals selected by the Committee.

The recipients are:

- Kamaljit S. Bawa, Biology
- Stuart Berde, Anthropology
- Lawrence Blum, Philosophy
- James P. Brady, Sociology
- Kenneth C. Frederick, English
- William Hager, Biology
- Philip S. Hart, Institutions
- Brad Honoroff, Legal Studies
- Paul Keyes, Physics

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George Langford, Biology
Sanford R. Lieberman, Politics
Joan Huser Liem, Psychology
Barbara E. Luetke, Anthropology
Celia L. Moore, Psychology
Howard P. Ramseur, Psychology
Ruth E. Schmitter, Biology
Mary Carol Edwards Shaner, English
Harland E. Sheerin, Biology
Edward Strickland, Psychology
Joanne Punzo Waghorne, Religion
Richard White, Biology
Igor Webb, English
Elliot M. Weinstock, Chemistry
Leverett J. Zompa, Chemistry

Members of the Faculty Growth and Development Committee were: Franklin Davis, College of Public and Community Service; Maryann Ferguson, English; Bernard Kramer, Psychology; Thomas Margulis, Chemistry; Walter Rosen, Biology; and Daisy Tagliacozzo, Sociology.

Siperstein Papers

Prof. Gary Siperstein, College of Public and Community Service, is coauthor of a paper in the January issue of the American Journal of Mental Deficiency on Attitudes Toward the Mentally Retarded. Also, soon to be released, is a ten volume set, International Encyclopedia of Psychiatry and Psychology in which he has a chapter entitled, Mental Retardation: Learning.

He recently presented a paper at the New England Educational Research Organization on a two year longitudinal study on childrens' attitudes toward the handicapped in two different socioeconomic areas: Newton and Lowell.

Prof. Siperstein was recently selected to be a consultant to the U.S. Office of Education, Bureau of Education for the Handicapped for reviewing research and training grant proposals for government funding.

Affirmative Action Handbook

The Affirmative Action Office has published a new handbook which includes information on UMass-Boston's Affirmative Action policy for professional and classified staffs, including a description of the program, the elements of Affirmative Action recruitment and hiring, the interim Affirmative Action grievance procedure, and laws and regulations upon which the procedures are based.

In the forward of the handbook, Chancellor L. Golino said: "Even in a year of limited hiring, I would like to take the opportunity to reaffirm my strong committment to the principles of equal employment opportunity and affirmative action.

"We have made some real progress at UMB in increasing the representation of minorities and women in professional and classified positions over the past few years, but some areas remain in which special efforts will be needed to keep from perpetuating a pattern of exclusion of women and minorities.

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"The Affirmative Action Office has identified several Target Jobs and Target Organizational Units in which women or minorities are underrepresented. Our goal will be to increase representation in Target Jobs and Units over the next year, and special recruiting assistance and funds for administrative costs will be available through the Affirmative Action Office for our affirmative action efforts. Meeting this goal will be a high campus priority next year.

"For all fulltime nonacademic openings a Professional and Classified Staff Hiring Report will be filled out starting June 30 to document our efforts to ensure that adequate recruitment has been undertaken and that the selection process has been fair for positions we fill. Other procedures are also being formalized and will be brought to your attention.

"I ask all staff involved in the hiring process over the next year to make a special effort to cooperate with the Affirmative Action Office in making our Professional and Classified Staff Affirmative Action Program a success."

Copies of the Handbook are available at the Affirmative Action Office, third floor of the Administration Building. The telephone extension is 2157.

Pamela O'Shaughnessey, Director of the Affirmative Action Office, notes that in accordance with Federal requirements and University of Massachusetts policy of insuring and promoting equal opportunity, publications produced to recruit either students and employees will carry the following non-discrimination legend:

"The University of Massachusetts at Boston prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, age, religion, national origin or handicap in any aspect of its employment, in the recruitment, admission and treatment of students and in its policies and programs, as required by Federal and State laws and regulations."

Consular Corps

Chancellor Carlo Golino was the host for a distinguished group of visitors on campus last week. Nineteen consuls and honorary consuls representing Europe, Asia, South America, Central America, North America and Africa came to view campus facilities.

Chancellor Golino, President Robert Wood and Dean of the Consular Corps Franco Faa di Bruno of Italy spoke at a luncheon meeting.

It was not a first visit for Mr. di Bruno who has addressed students and faculty members of the Italian Club. He welcomed the association of the Consulate with UMass-Boston.

President Wood said he was happy to have the group here because it was a demonstration of the internationality of education, where Truth is sought regardless of national boundaries.

The Chancellor noted that some of the faculty hosts present were Anny Newman of Yugoslavia; Robert Spaethling of Germany; Thomas Kanza of Zaire; Maria-Luisa Osorio of Cuba and Spain, and Eric Robinson of Great Britain.

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Countries represented by the Consular Corps were: Argentina, Austria, Barbados, Chile, Cyprus, France, Germany, Great Britain, Ireland, Italy, Korea, Mexico, Pakistan, Panama, Senegal, Spain, Sweden, Venezuela, and Canada.

William Meehan, Director of Planning and Development, was the technical expert for the tour, pointing out architectural, engineering, and structural highlights of the campus. The group also viewed the site of the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library.

Jan Keim

Red circle the date on your calendar, tie a memory string on your finger, and plan to attend the get-together on Tuesday, June 22, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. for Jan Keim, Associate Director of Admissions, who is taking a new position as Director of Admissions at Northampton County Community College in Pennsylvania.

The sing a sad song adios meeting will be in the Admissions Conference Room, first floor, Administration Building. You can sing a happy tune as well--because although it is UMass-Boston's loss, Jan's new opportunity gives her new professional horizons back in her home state.

You come now.

Library

Library hours for the summer months will be Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Library will not be open on weekends.

Paul Boller

Prof. Paul Boller Jr., History, will assume a new position on August 1 at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas. He will be the occupant of the Lyndon Baines Johnson Chair of United States History. The position was established with a \$500,000 endowment of the Brown Foundation of Houston, Texas.

He joined the faculty of UMass-Boston in 1966, after teaching at Southern Methodist University and the University of Texas. After undergraduate education at Yale University, he studied for his doctorate at the same institution.

His latest book was American Transcendentalism, 1830-1860 which was widely praised by reviewers across the country. It was called a thought-provoking, relevant volume.

Massachusetts Tomorrow

At a recent conference sponsored by Massachusetts Tomorrow Prof. Stan Nikkel, Sociology, said, "society is not a collection of accidental events--its features are more consistent than we think and use of land is a reflection of what society values most highly."

Formal planning activities are not a recent invention, Prof. Nikkel pointed out by describing the 1573 Laws of the Indies formulated by Spanish rulers to control development in the New World.

The planning concepts used by the Spanish and the Puritans in the New World have been changed over the centuries, he said, "but the ultimate problem still is survival, at least as devastating a need as ever."

Attention to proper planning reached its low water mark in the first half of this century, Prof. Nikkel believes, and he said "land use planning in the future will reflect true community interests."