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More than 900 baccalaureate and graduate degree candidates of more than 1200 graduating were present on May 31 to receive diplomas. Chancellor Corrigan spoke and President Knapp gave greetings to the more than 7000 assembled in the plaza.

Honorary degrees were awarded to Florence Luscomb, world peace advocate and civil libertarian recently associated with the Women's Liberation Movement, Doctor of Laws; Philip J. McNiff, director and librarian, Boston Public Library, Doctor of Humane Letters; I.M. Pei, architect and urban designer, Doctor of Fine Arts; and Andrew Young, Former US Ambassador to the United Nations, Doctor of Humane Letters.

The Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Awards to honor two faculty members nominated by students for excellence in teaching went to architect and urban designer, Doctor of Fine Arts; and Distinguished Service Award which recognizes a member of the University community in honor of their outstanding scholarship as reflected in carrying out fundamental job responsibilities, excellence and professionalism in dealing with members of the community. The award was made to Alvan Shorelines, the first University of Massachusetts at Boston Special Honorary degree winners were presented in commemoration of the awarding of the title Professor Emeritus to Alvan Shorelines in English.

In the Fall 1971, when she was named Dean of the College of the Humanities, She was tapped for the Chancellor's Distinguished Service award which recognizes a member of the administration who has shown exemplary skill in carrying out fundamental job responsibilities, excellence and professionalism in dealing with members of the community. The award was made to Alvan Shorelines, the first University of Massachusetts at Boston Special Honorary degree winners were presented in commemoration of the awarding of the title Professor Emeritus to Alvan Shorelines in English.

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At the Annual Meeting of the Association on Minority Concerns. The panel consists of representatives of the Black, Hispanic, Oriental and Native American communities. Its primary responsibilities are to aid the College Board in addressing the educational needs and concerns of students in its ongoing and developing programs and services in the areas of research, recruitment, financial aid, professional training opportunities and admissions services. The panel will also review the findings and recommendations related to minority concerns of College Board councils and standing committees.

The College Board is a New York-based nonprofit educational association of more than 2,500 colleges, universities, schools, school systems, and associations, which sponsor guidance, admissions, financial aid, and credit and placement programs for students, schools and colleges.

ALFRED HARRIS, head coach of women's basketball, was the first woman to coach a team for the prestigious Shootout tournament, an all male event held recently in Boston at which teams from eight cities played.

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Andrea Schein, director of the Disabled Student Center, spoke on "Social-Sexual Issues and the Disabled College Student" at the Annual Meeting of the Association on Handicapped Student Service Programs in Post-Secondary Education in Denver. Her paper on that topic will be published in the conference proceedings.

PSA ELECTS PINK CHAIRMAN

Carl Fink, associate director of the Office of Grant and Contract Administration, was recently elected Chairman of the Professional Staff Association Steering Committee. Joe Bloomstein, his predecessor, was commended by the committee for the superb job he did during the year.

The summer schedule for the Professional Staff Association Steering Committee meetings is 20 June, 18 July, 15 Aug and 19 Sept at 9:30 AM in Room 308 in the Admin Build. At the Aug meeting the Committee will establish the winter schedule.

CRIME WATCH HOW TO

Operation Identification (ID) can help reduce your chances of becoming a victim of a theft says Officer J Sullivan of the Dept of Public Safety's Crime Prevention Unit. Operation ID also helps to identify your property if it is lost or stolen. The Department has several articles of value that cannot be returned to the owner because they are unidentified, he says.

Operation ID provides an easy way of engraving your driver's license number on valuables to help deter a would be thief. The Public Safety Office on 0-1 in the Library has engraving tools for use by all members of the UMass community. They may be used free for three days.

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Two important resolutions were passed by the Board of Trustees at its 4 June meeting. The first reaffirms the Board's position to maintain the University as a unified state-wide, public university directly governed by a strong central administration. The second informs the Boston Redevelopment Authority that the University will fight any attempt to take land at Columbus Point which the University owns or on which it has first option. Among the other proposals the Board approved William W. Hansard's appointment as associate professor of art.

A reduced rate for employees in the Long Term Disability Insurance program was recently announced by the Personnel Office. The new premium, effective 1 May, will be 79¢ per $100 of monthly payroll with the maximum premium not to exceed $10.23 per month. The former rate was 84¢ per $100 of monthly payroll and a maximum $19.35.

Employers interested in enrolling in the Long Term Disability Program may apply in the Personnel Office. Direct questions to Patrice Rochette x2270.

Columbia Point and the Future of Public Housing in Boston was the topic of a one-day conference at the University recently. Co-sponsored by the Boston Public Housing Authority and U Mass/Boston, the conference provided a forum for discussion of a range of public housing issues among tenants, their advocates, policy makers and members of the University.

The Elderly Have Spoken

Gerontology Program students at CPCS recently released a survey they compiled about the effects of escalating fuel costs on lives of elderly people. During the winter, 16 students, most of them older than 60, were trained in interviewing techniques. They then interviewed 108 elderly individuals in the greater Boston area to determine the impact of rising fuel costs. The report reveals profound changes in lives because of fuel costs. Standards of living have been forced down as a much greater proportion of income was spent on fuel. Living arrangements were disrupted as thermostats were lowered and rooms closed off. Nutrition was sacrificed for warmth. Health afflictions like arthritis were aggravated. Social contacts diminished. Automobiles became luxuries.

For some, increased costs left them no choice but to consider public housing or other living arrangements and to give up their own homes. Privacy and separate spaces have suffered. Many interviewees report the interaction of reduced space, personal stress and embarrassment at living conditions.

More than 61 percent of those surveyed reported using oven heat for warmth, despite warnings from Boston Gas to all customers in Jan. Higher fuel costs have meant a smaller proportion of income for food. As they eat less, and as they are unable to buy food for a balanced diet, the elderly become more vulnerable to the discomforts and dangers of cold homes.

Most of the seniors interviewed were reluctant to request assistance from government or other sources, according to the study. When forced to reconsider inhibitions about seeking help, they voiced anger and frustration when help was not available. Even when help was in coming, or at arbitrary eligibility levels in spite of extenuating circumstances or unanticipated emergencies. The need for further and stronger weatherization programs was evident.

Even with limited means, the elderly reported responsible conservation efforts. More than 90 percent reported lowering house temperature at night. More than 40 percent kept their evening temperatures at 60 degrees or lower and 38 percent kept daytime temperatures at 65 or below. Only 31 percent have roof insulation, and only 23 percent have wall insulation.

The University community extends condolences to the family of Harold Ferner who served as Circulation Librarian from the founding of the Main Library, and since 1974 in the CPCS Library. He died in mid-May.

The Center for Media Development recently produced a 30 second public service announcement, poster, flyer and a brochure for the Constitution 200 Commission at the request of the State Legislature's Committee on Rules.

ShoreLines will be published once a month during July and Aug. In July the deadline will be 7 July for release 15 July and in Aug the deadline is 7 Aug for release 12 Aug. The deadline for the first issue fall term is scheduled for 25 Aug for release on 3 Sept. Next deadline 7 July.

Calendar

TUE 6/17 - MON 7/15

* TUE 6/17
HOLIDAY/Bunker Hill Day.

* WED 6/18
EXHIBIT/The Alphabet Library co-sponsored by the Lettering Arts Guild of Boston during Library hours through 30 June.

* FRI 6/20
MEETING/Professional Staff Association Steering Committee Rm 308 Admin Build 9:30am.

* TUE 6/21
CPCS ADMISSIONS/Information sessions Rm 119 Downtown every Tue 9am and 6pm.

SEMINAR/Adults Considering Return to College sponsored by CPCS ADMISSIONS/Information sessions repeat 6/24.

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* TUE 7/1
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* FRI 7/4
HOLIDAY/Independence Day.

* TUE 7/8
CPCS ADMISSIONS/Information sessions repeat 6/24.

SEMINAR/Adults Considering Return repeat 6/24.

* THUR 7/10
SUMMER SESSION A ENDS/Last Day of Classes.

* MON 7/14
SUMMER SESSION B BEGINS/Classes Start.