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Creating a Path: Chancellor Outlines Vision for UMass Boston

By Ed Hayward

Chancellor Michael Collins used his Convocation 2006 address to unveil a collaborative vision to “renew and rebuild” UMass Boston, drawing upon the wisdom of the university’s founders, as well as pioneering thinkers in higher education, to outline a path for guiding the university from “excellence to perfection” through a broad strategic planning initiative and new approaches to teaching, learning, research, and service.

In speaking of the university’s bright future, the chancellor looked back to the first days of the university and the goals outlined by its founding leaders, as well as visions for higher education by Thomas Jefferson and Henry P. Tappan. “What once was seen as



“As we move forward, we must accept and embrace the fact that our future rests in our hands—so let us carry UMass Boston to perfection, together,” said Chancellor Michael Collins in his convocation address on September 14. (Photo by Harry Brett)

an out-of-the-way site for landfill is now recognized by many as the most beautiful location in our city; what was once seen as ‘an idea, a vision’ is now viewed as a great public university that holds tremendous promise,” he said.

In his address, Chancellor Collins outlined a plan to grow UMass Boston’s enrollment to 15,000 by 2010, serve those students with a new academic building, and explore the need for housing for up to 2,000 students in “living learning communities” on campus.

“I believe everyone in the university community must be focused on growth in our enrollment,” Collins told faculty, staff, and students gathered for the ceremonial kick-off of the academic year, held on September 14. “The

value proposition of our university is superb: Our high-quality education is provided at a more reasonable cost than elsewhere in our marketplace.”

Collins said the university has the capacity to meet an enrollment goal of 15,000 students—the original target for the university when it was established in 1964—by improving student recruitment and retention, upgrading advising, increasing financial aid, and adding at least one classroom building. The Columbia Point campus, which opened in 1974, now enrolls approximately 12,300 students.

In addition to the “15 by 10” project, Collins unveiled strategic objectives designed to guide the campus as it pursues its urban mission, including:

- A commitment to build new

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Africana Studies Professor Uncovers Nantucket Tragedy in New Play

By Anne-Marie Kent

Surveying the Nantucket graveyard where members of the island’s African-American community are buried, Africana studies professor, historian, and playwright Robert Johnson, Jr., searched in vain to find the grave of Patience Cooper, a onetime resident of the island in the mid-nineteenth century.

Although Cooper’s grave remains unmarked, Johnson has marked her place in history both in an essay published in the new book *Nantucket’s People of Color: Essays on History, Politics and Community*, edited by Johnson and recently published by University Press of America, and in his play *Patience of Nantucket*, which

opened to a full house at the Plaza Black Box Theatre at the Boston Center for the Arts on September 7 and ran through September 23. Selected last year for a reading at the National Black Theatre Festival, the play now features Marie Guinier.

The play is directed by theatre arts major Akiba Abaka and produced by her *Up You Mighty Race* Performing Arts Company. One of the stars of the production is Boston attorney and CPCS graduate Mark Bourbeau. Adding to the UMass Boston connection, the South End eatery Addis Red Sea Restaurant, owned by Africana studies alumna Misrack Assefa, hosted a September 9 reception.

The following day, a panel discussion focused on the issue of using dramatic arts to revive historical stories. Panel members include Boston University’s theater arts professor James Spruill, Nantucket historian Barbara White, and Charles E. Walker, Jr., an attorney and executive director of the Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights.

Visiting Nantucket on a trip related to the Africana Studies Department’s James Bradford Ames Fellowship Program, which supports research and publication of Black and Cape Verdean history on Nantucket, Johnson discovered Cooper’s story and began to find ways to place it in an historical



“I think that I can change lives through drama to help people to better understand the precarious nature of human existence in America,” says Robert Johnson, Jr. (Photo by Harry Brett)

context, showing its significance both as a gripping account of human tragedy and a troubling indicator of growing racial unrest in 1860 on the once-tranquil island. Cooper was, in the words of Johnson, a “woman of unblemished reputation” until she was accused and later convicted of the manslaughter of a white shopkeeper, 62-year-old widow Phebe Fuller, who was brutally beaten during a November 22, 1860, robbery and later died from her injuries on December 12 of that year.

According to Johnson, the island’s newspaper, the *Nantucket Weekly Mirror*, reported the robbery on November 24, 1860, and noted not one but two possible

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classroom and lab space on the 33-year-old campus.

- A strategic planning initiative comprising of six subcommittees and two resource groups, which will assess how the university can best meet the needs of students, faculty, and the commonwealth. The groups will develop recommendations for a final report to be completed by June 30, 2007.
- The launch of a campus master plan process for working with the university community, neighbors, elected officials, and the state to originate a blueprint for the future of the physical campus.
- The inclusion of an assessment of “living learning communities” in the campus’s strategic planning discussion to carefully consider the role on-campus housing should play in the long-term future of UMass Boston.

“Imagining a future is a worthless exercise without also creating a path upon which to journey to destiny,” Collins said. The objectives developed by the strategic planning effort, he said, will inform the master plan process, which will involve both the campus and the university’s neighbors.

While the master plan process will take place during the next two



The threat of rain didn’t dampen the spirits of Fest-of-Us celebrations that followed convocation speeches, held in the Clark Athletic Center, where staffers served barbecue fare, students enjoyed fun and games, and kids from the Early Learning Center picnicked with the grown-ups. (Photos by Harry Brett)

to three years, Collins said, the university must move ahead quickly to create new classroom space. “I am committed to working with our faculty, staff, students and university colleagues to create and to construct an Academic Classroom Complex that rivals our new Cam-

pus Center,” Collins said. Whether or not the campus should include a residential component is a question the strategic planning project will assess, Collins said. “We are kidding ourselves if we think that our students do

not search for housing because they inhabit our neighborhoods in large numbers,” he said. “We should be able to provide safe housing, encourage civil discourse, and provide an environment conducive to study that some students may not find at home,

and we should do all this while maintaining the access and excellence that is the hallmark of our student body.” Visit www.umb.edu for a copy of Chancellor Collins’s speech and more on the strategic planning process.

“Think Anew,” Advises Chief Justice Margaret H. Marshall



“I believe we need to interpret the constitution in light of current realities,” said the Honorable Margaret H. Marshall in her address. (Photo by Harry Brett)

By Leigh DuPuy

“Your voices are vital for our future,” said Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court Chief Justice Margaret H. Marshall to the many students who filled the Campus Center for her convocation address “To ‘Be Educated and Instructed in

the Principles of Freedom.”

Speaking of the importance of youth, she said, “We need you as a leader to enter public life in every form of civil participation—you can accomplish great things.”

Marshall, the first woman to serve as the Chief Justice of the

Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, spoke to an audience that included colleagues from the bench and a delegation of six Chinese judges participating in a four-month program sponsored by the McCormack Graduate School and the Massachusetts Judges Conference. She spoke about the importance of freedom and respectful debate and said we need the “courage to question ourselves... to think anew, of truth, wherever it may led.”

Education is key, Marshall said, to such pursuits. She shared her experiences growing up in her childhood hometown in South Africa, a place she described as small, isolated, and racially segregated. “I never had a conversation with a person of color that was not a subordinate or servant,” she said, and remembers not noticing that

this was unusual. Of herself and her peers, she said, “We were taught to sing in unison, but we sang a song of one note.”

Two early education experiences made Marshall question her beliefs. As an exchange student at a Wilmington, Delaware, high school in the early ’60s, she was amazed by images on TV, critical news reports, and access to books banned in her country. “I was astonished by open debate, disagreements without apology and punishment..., ” she said. She discovered that apartheid, the “lens with which she was taught to view... [and]... was nothing more than a distorted prison of terror and fear,” she said.

Her second life-altering experience was as an undergraduate at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, where

she got to know Black South Africans as her peers. Witnessing their daily hardships opened her “eyes to the cruel realities of my country... [and]... forced me to expand my intellectual and moral horizons,” she said.

“These two educational experiences instilled in me an intense desire to work for equality and justice,” she said. Marshall fought apartheid before coming to the United States to pursue graduate studies at Harvard University.

Key to her work and to the work of justice, she said, is the freedom to question, without which “justice and quality can never be achieved.” Marshall praised UMass Boston for its leadership and diversity and said to its students, “Your education will equip you to make your voices heard... . We will be waiting.”

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UMass Boston Alumnus Receives Fulbright to Study High Infant Mortality Rates in India

By Leigh DuPuy

UMass Boston graduate Tim Menz '06, a pre-med student determined to champion children's rights, was recently awarded a Fulbright grant to work alongside doctors seeking to improve the high infant mortality rate in India. Menz is UMass Boston's fifth Fulbright winner in six years of competition.

In New Delhi, Menz will work with leading physicians to observe newborn care in rural and urban settings, evaluate hospital environments, and research the treatment of infants 28 weeks or younger. Menz will join Siddarth Ramji, head of the neonatology department at Maulana Azad Medical College, and participate in fieldwork with Santosh Bhargava, head of the pediatrics department at Sunder Lal Jain Hospital, to research the effects of the "Essential Newborn Care Program."

"We are so proud of Tim and his accomplishments," says Chancellor Michael Collins. "He is an extraordinary student and we look forward to following his career as he pursues admission to medical school."



Tim Menz '06 plans to travel and work with leading physicians studying ways to improve the high infant mortality rate in India. (Photo by Harry Brett)

Menz was originally chosen as an alternate for the Fulbright Program in April. He heard he received a Fulbright three days before setting off for England to work in a pharmaceutical lab and volunteer in a nearby teaching hospital while finishing applications for medical school.

A student who once struggled with tuition bills and academic motivation, Menz became known at UMass Boston for his dedication to his studies and commitment to helping others. He studied biochemistry as a pre-med

student, mentored his peers as a teaching assistant in the Biology Department, and served as an AmeriCorps*VISTA volunteer. Menz's academic career was marked by membership in two national honor societies, a place on The National Dean's List, and participation in UMass Boston's Beacon Leadership program.

"I want to pursue a livelihood in a profession of helping people," says Menz, who took time off from his sophomore year to work as an ambulance driver and a waiter and raise money for

tuition bills at UMass Amherst, where he was originally enrolled. While initially a tough time for Menz, he describes it as a terrific learning experience. "I learned that you need to go out and grab opportunities," he says.

His work for Fallon Clinic left a significant impression on him. "I saw what elderly and people who were sick went through and it changed my life," he says.

Menz transferred to UMass Boston for his junior year, but it wasn't until the following summer that he began to flourish academically. "I decided to get more involved in UMass Boston and it made all the difference," says Menz. "I fell in love with the school."

He began to work with Rick Kesseli, professor of biology, as a laboratory and teaching assistant, became involved in the University Honors Program, and volunteered through the Urban Scholars Program, helping to develop the science interests of high school kids.

"I would not be where I am today without the help of UMass Boston faculty—they are genu-

inely concerned about your life and your success," says Menz.

Menz is the youngest of five children and credits his brothers and sisters for his upbringing and for his motivation to work with children. "They did so much for me, and I want to do the same for others," he says. "Children need a special kind of attention."

While in India, Menz also wants to get involved in the community and plans on initiating an after-school wrestling program for kids.

"Tim's interest in helping others has been one of the driving forces pushing him to pursue medicine as a career," says faculty advisor Kesseli. "He looks at a situation and really thinks 'How can I make this better?'"

Menz is one of five honors students who have won Fulbrights: His award was preceded by two in 2000 and two in 2002. In the last six years, the program has also produced a Marshall Scholar, two Marshall finalists, two Rhodes Scholarship semifinalists, and four Fulbright finalists, two of whom were also designated alternates.

Patrick and Kerry Discuss Science with Students and Faculty at UMass Boston



Senator John F. Kerry and Democratic gubernatorial candidate Deval Patrick listened to faculty and students talk about UMass Boston during their September 22 visit. (Photo by Harry Brett)

By Ed Hayward

Fresh off his victory in September's primary election, Democratic gubernatorial candidate Deval Patrick joined U.S. Sen. John F. Kerry on campus September 22 for a roundtable discussion with faculty and students from the Colleges of Science and Mathematics and Nursing and Health Sciences.

The impromptu visit from Patrick focused on research taking place at UMass Boston, as well as the projects and programs undertaken by faculty, staff, and students to benefit Boston and the Commonwealth. The senator and the candidate also discussed the need for improved lab space for researchers and financial aid for students.

"We need to understand the connection between the quality

of the facilities and the kind of faculty that can be attracted and retained, and what opportunities that combination offers to young people going forward," Patrick said after he and Senator Kerry met with faculty and students in the Green Chemistry Lab.

The discussion was moderated by Kenneth L. Campbell, associate dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. He was joined by Marion Winfrey, associate dean of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, as well as faculty that included Carol Hall Ellenbecker and Sheila Cannon (nursing), Jeff Dukes and Linda Huang (biology), Bala Sundaram (physics), Michelle Foster (chemistry), and Robert Chen (EEOS). Also participating were students

Sharon Perryman (nursing), Crystal Baker and Heather Charles (biology), Kim Frashure (EEOS), Albert Kamanzi (physics), and Nicholas Anastas (EEOS), and recent graduate Tim Menz.

"I know well the hard work that is put forth by the students of UMass Boston," Patrick said as he greeted employees and students in the Quinn building. "In June, I had the privilege of sitting by the ocean, watching as my sister graduated from UMass Boston at the age of 50. So my family has seen firsthand what's required to raise a family, work full-time, and pursue a university degree. It is a special place that can serve students from so many backgrounds—from the working mom or dad to the freshman just out of high school—and the Commonwealth needs to recognize that."

Patrick said UMass Boston is an important part of the state's public higher education system and not only educates a big part of the state's workforce, but does so in a way that makes students feel at home.

"When I visit your campus I get the sense that this is a real community. It's vital that we support this community—the students, faculty, and staff of our public institutions like UMass Boston. The more support we provide, the more we can increase the magic that happens here," he said.

Helene Fuld Health Trust Grant Award to Fund Scholarships at CNHS

By Ed Hayward

The College of Nursing and Health Sciences has received a \$550,000 grant from the Helene Fuld Health Trust, HSBC Bank USA, N.A., Trustee, the nation's largest private foundation devoted exclusively to student nurses and nursing education, Dean Greer Glazer recently announced. The grant will provide \$500,000 for an endowed fund and \$50,000 for the university to award as "current use" scholarships for nursing students seeking a baccalaureate degree.

The \$500,000 endowment will receive an additional \$250,000, or 50 percent in matching funds, from the state's Public Higher Education Endowment Initiative Program (PHEEIP) for a total of \$750,000. "These monies will be used to establish the Helene Fuld Health Trust Scholarship Fund,

which will not only provide substantial scholarship support for undergraduate nursing students in perpetuity, but also strengthen the college's efforts to attract and retain an even greater number of first-generation and racially and ethnically diverse students," said Glazer.

Currently, students of color comprise nearly 38 percent of the college's undergraduate nursing students and more than 40 percent of UMass Boston's total student body. "Our nursing program is among the most diverse of any college or university in Massachusetts," said Glazer. "The endowed Helene Fuld Health Trust Scholarship Fund will allow us to maintain our leadership role in diversifying the nursing workforce, particularly within our local urban communities."

Play (cont.)

suspects. Based upon statements made by the victim, the paper reported that the perpetrator was either a "colored woman" or a white man whom the shopkeeper had seen before but did not know.

Despite the unlikelyhood that Cooper physically could have inflicted the brutal beating sustained by Fuller and the absence of a motive, prosecutors dismissed the possibility that a white man had

committed the crime and instead indicted Cooper. After two trials, Cooper was convicted of manslaughter in 1863 and sentenced to ten years in jail. She ended her days on October 29, 1885, in the Nantucket Asylum, where she had stayed since 1873.

"Out of all the things that I do—playwriting is really what gives me the greatest joy," said Johnson.

“Let’s Get It Started” Connects Students to Campus for Fall Fun

By Leigh DuPuy

In the wake of another Labor Day, it was anything but the “same old, same old” at UMass Boston. The Campus Center, university plazas, and academic buildings were bustling with students riding Segways, taking bike tours to Castle Island along the Harbor Walk, competing for prizes as “treasure hunters,” and having fun while learning more about what the university has to offer.

Organizers in the Division of Student Affairs created “Let’s Get It Started,” two weeks of strategic programming that built on traditional offerings from years prior with new events, prizes, and resources and connected opening week activities for the first time with convocation celebrations and WUMB’s annual Boston Folk Festival.

“We really wanted to create a cohesive series of programming that was fun, educational, and reached a broad range of students,” says Patrick Day, new vice chancellor for student affairs. “We didn’t want to just welcome students to our campus, we wanted to immediately connect with their needs and answer their questions.”

To do so, organizers offered information stations, open houses, and other educational resources throughout campus at a variety of times. “We found that students tend to get overwhelmed by too much information,” says Kelly Meehan, special assistant to the vice chancellor for student affairs, “and we wanted to catch everybody, graduate students and undergraduates, coming and going throughout the day.”

Embarking on a plan to build a stronger student body, Student



Students moved around campus like never before with the “Let’s Get It Started” activities, held from September 5 through 17. (Photos by Harry Brett)

Affairs organizers focused on different ways to bring fun to campus. “We created a number of welcome receptions to create more social opportunities for

students to meet people,” says Meehan. More than 400 students sampled the food at the Taste of Boston reception, close to 500 students attended the Student

Organizations and Activities fair, and about 138 students went to the Museum of Science “Nights on the Town” event, the first of its kind.

Students were invited to the free “Colossal Comedy” at the Campus Center with VH1 and Comedy Central stand-up star Godfrey. “We want to build a culture of hosting nationally known talent here at UMass Boston,” says Meehan. “We want to bring a number of high-profile performers throughout the year.”

To encourage students to veer from their usual paths to and from the classroom, Day and Meehan organized Boston bike tours, trolley tours, sailing, and harbor cruises. “We wanted our students to reconnect and enjoy how beautiful this location really is,” says Meehan.

Student Affairs rewarded those out and about, proudly wearing UMass Boston paraphernalia with a coupon to Sodexo food services. The Division of Student Affairs helped to coordinate more than \$6,000 in prizes and giveaways.

Athletics, fitness, and the promotion of student health and well-being were key in event planning. The Beacons on the Plaza pep rally helped to build school spirit and promote attendance at future athletic events. In partnership with University Health Services (see below), Student Affairs offered new resources for stress reduction and management. Others who wanted to get involved in community service participated in the “Good Neighbor Day,” held on September 9 on the Campus Center lawn, building playhouses for children in shelters and community shelters.

“There are so many ways to be a part of UMass Boston’s thriving campus life,” says Day. “We are building a new culture of connection here and plan to build on this momentum in our future plans.”

University Health Services Help Students Bust Stress

By Leigh DuPuy

The back-to-school season can bring new pressures for students, and UMass Boston staffers are at the ready to help them learn new techniques on how to reduce and manage stress.

“There are many different ways to reduce stress levels and improve your health,” says Kathleen Golden McAndrew, assistant vice chancellor of student affairs and executive director of University Health Services (UHS), who led the Stress Busters 101 event, held on September 12 as part of the “Let’s Get It Started” opening activities.

The event featured a wide array of offerings from University Health Services, which includes resources and staff from the

Health and Wellness Center, General Medicine, and the Counseling Center. The Beacon Fitness Center staff collaborated on offerings as well.

Stressed or not, students took advantage of the free massages offered by licensed practitioners and participated in mini wellness sessions on the importance of sleep or how to build relationships. Others learned more about **MyStudentBody.com**, which offers a suite of online resources on alcohol, stress, tobacco, sexually transmitted disease, and nutrition. Many decided to take advantage of the free fitness sessions led by experienced instructors, which included a power walk, guided meditation, tai chi, Kripalu yoga, and African dance. Organizers

gave away prizes at the event, including certificates for a spa or free facial, yoga lessons, or a massage session.

Health and wellness programs aren’t only for students, points

out Golden McAndrew. More than 200 staff joined 200 students to participate in the UHS campus-wide initiative “Take More Steps: What Have You Got to Lose?”, a program that encour-

aged people to walk more. Those who participated received a free UMass Boston pedometer, logged their steps daily on-campus starting September 5 through 14 for a month, and received weekly prizes, including free membership to the Beacon Fitness Center and athletic apparel. For those who wanted to participate in alternative ways of exercise, the Beacon Fitness Center staff helped provide modifications.

“We’ve had a lot of positive feedback with faculty, staff, and students,” says Golden McAndrew.

If you’d like more information about what UHS has to offer students and employees throughout the year, please visit [//www.healthservices.umb.edu/](http://www.healthservices.umb.edu/)



There was a steady flow of students at the Stress Busters 101 event, held in the Campus Center, with many of them receiving free massages. (Photo by Harry Brett)

Folk Fans Enjoy Great Music, Dance, and Sunshine at Annual Festival

By Anne-Marie Kent

On September 16 and 17, the campus of UMass Boston was once again transformed into a folk music extravaganza for the WUMB 91.9 FM Boston Folk Festival. Now in its ninth year, the festival offered two full days of live entertainment, including singer-songwriter folk music, blues, bluegrass, and Celtic fiddling—unparalleled variety on four indoor and outdoor stages.

“It was a fantastic event,” said WUMB general manager Pat Monteith. “The artists presented incredible performances, and once again, the WUMB volunteers did an outstanding job putting the whole thing together. It was also great to have university student groups participate, bringing their fund-raising efforts to the festival.”

Monteith noted that students from UMass Boston’s Women’s Center were able to collect 116 cell phones to the “Jane Doe Donate a Phone Campaign.” Students from UMass Boston’s Golden Key International Honour Society collected an estimated 600 pounds of food for Boston shelters, including 35 jars of peanut butter, in response to the group’s “getting nutty” theme. The Golden Key students also continued its “Links of Help and Hope Project,” this year fund-raising for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, the world’s largest volun-



Folk fans, musicians, dancers, children, and volunteers from all around flocked to campus for two days of live entertainment—unparalleled variety on four indoor and outdoor stages. (Photos by Harry Brett)

tary health organization dedicated to funding blood cancer research, education, and patient services. The students raised nearly \$500.

“I am touched by the kindness and generosity of all of those individuals who attend the festival each year. Golden Key and The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society are thankful for all of their support,” said Golden Key president Christine DePalma.

As for the music, the Festival

provided its dependably diverse variety of performers and venues, including a coffeehouse stage in the Ryan Lounge, a waterfront pavilion stage at Fox Point, a plaza-level stage for up-and-coming folksingers, and the main stage under the sculpture “Huru.”

Saturday’s headliner, Eileen Ivers and Immigrant Soul, ended the day with a rousing set. The New York-born fiddler, once named “All-Ireland Champion”

and known for her Celtic jigs and reels pushed and pulled by various surprising Latin and African rhythms, joked with the audience, “What part of Ireland am I from? County Bronx.” Fresh-faced young dancers in traditional costume from the Walpole-based Harney Academy of Irish Dancing joined Ivers and her band on stage for several pieces, much to the delight of the audience, members of which improvised

their own jigs.

Other favorites on the main stage were folk legends Richie Havens, Bruce Cockburn, and Jesse Winchester. Many of the “folkies” sang along to songs included in a tribute to the late social and political crusader Phil Ochs. Other performers included Jennifer Kimball, Michael Troy, the Jake Armerding Band, the City of Roses trio, Liz Carlisle, and Chuck Hall.

Students from Around the Globe Explore International Relations Study



Idil Abubakar, one of Robert Weiner’s students, listens during a recent session of his class “Theories and Conceptions of International Relations.” (Photo by Harry Brett)

By Lisa Gentes

There’s a world of experience in Robert Weiner’s classroom. The chair of the international relations track of the master’s in public affairs program at the John J. McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies is teaching students from across the globe this semester. His current class, “Theories and Concepts of International Relations,” has about 25 students and includes folks from Bulgaria, Brazil, Germany, Kenya, Somalia, and Scotland.

“We’re getting students from everywhere,” said Weiner, a political science professor who holds a Ph.D. from New York University.

His students come not only from countries across the globe, but have a world of experience to share. One student had been working on oil rigs in the Caspian Sea, and another student’s father had served as a government minister in Somalia, he said.

Students are attracted to the two-year-old program because it is

the only one in a public institution of higher education in Boston that offers a master’s in international relations, it’s much more affordable than other universities, and UMass Boston has “top-notch quality” faculty, said Weiner.

As word spreads, the class size is growing. The current class, composed of students who range in age from 20s to 40s, is the largest class the program’s had to date, said Weiner.

Former students are now working in Washington, D.C., for international policy think tanks, or in international journalism, the professor noted. He has one former student who has been working for a newspaper in Peru.

Many international relations students participate in the two-year master’s program because they are interested in working for a government agency, such as the State Department, a multinational corporation, or in the military.

Others have studied political science or international relations as undergraduates, or majored in business, history, or English,

according to Weiner. Many have “extensive overseas experience,” including several of the American students, he said, who have lived in Japan, China and Nicaragua.

“It makes for such an interesting class and it’s the best way to run a seminar,” said Weiner.

One student, Jennifer Howard of Watertown, a native of Massachusetts, said it’s not only the cultural diversity that adds to the class.

“I think an important part, not just in [diversity is] background, but in age and life experience and professional background,” Howard said. “There’s definitely more than a handful of people going [back to] school after many years.”

This mother of one said that’s true for her and many others in the class. She said the life and world experience only adds to the classroom experience.

The diversity of the faculty brings new perspective to the program, Howard said. “I found that a nice part of the program. The faculty is diverse in experience,

gender, age, ethnic background, and life experience.”

Fellow student Eunice Vasser of Waltham, a native of Kenya, is hoping to secure a job for a non-government agency after she receives her master’s. The full-time mother is pursuing her master’s degree while volunteering for the American Red Cross, serving as a companion to the elderly, and teaching immigrant students basic computer skills.

Vasser, who has lived in the United States for the past seven years, has an undergraduate and master’s degree in education from Kenya. Previously, she had worked as a home economics teacher.

“I’m making a big jump,” she said of changing career paths. After receiving her degree, she hopes to work with projects involving immigrants or refugees, possibly in Africa, she said.

Weiner is looking forward to seeing the diverse class grow. The program and university spread the idea that “there should be a connection to Boston and the rest of the world,” he said.

CAMPUS NOTES

PRESENTATIONS, CONFERENCES, AND LECTURES

Pratyush Bharati, assistant professor of management science and information systems, presented the paper “Global Software Production Network: A Study of the IT Services Industry in India” at the 101st American Sociological Association’s Annual Meeting, held in August.

In September, **Yung-Ping (Bing) Chen**, the Frank J. Manning Eminent Scholar’s Chair in Gerontology, presented a talk on phased retirement for a series on aging policy; “How to Close the Private Pension Gap for Blacks and Hispanics” for National Policy Council for the AARP; and the paper “Directions of Long-Term Care Funding in the U.S. after the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005” at World Ageing and Generations Congress.

Françoise Carré, research director at the Center for Social Policy (CSP), attended a meeting of the Russell Foundation Working Group on the “Future of Work” program, held in Amsterdam in September.

Robin Coddington, assistant professor of school psychology, chaired the symposium “Systems to Support Behavior Change” at the annual convention of the Berkshire Association for Behavior Analysis and Therapy on October 12. She also presented the paper “Treatment Integrity of School-Based Interventions” with several colleagues.

Alan Clayton-Matthews of the McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies moderated the panel “Opportunities for Massachusetts Companies and Managing the Challenges Linked to China’s Rapid Economic Growth” on September 18. The panel is part of the conference “U.S.–China Business Forum: Opportunities for Biotech and Medical Device Industries,” hosted by UMass Boston.

Rona Flippo of the Graduate College of Education made two presentations in October: She presented “Issues in Teacher Education Training Programs” at the Teacher Education Focus Group’s Annual Meeting and presented papers at a symposium she also helped to develop for the College Reading Association’s 50th Annual Conference “Literacy Education: Sifting Out the Politics, Policies, and What’s Been Happening?”

On September 27, the Center for Social Policy’s **Donna Haig Friedman**, director, and **Jennifer Raymond**, research associate and Ph.D. candidate, spoke to Ph.D. students at the McCormack Graduate School on effective partnerships between faculty and graduate students. This is part of the Ph.D. in Public Policy Program’s new series on experimental learning.

A paper by **Phillip Granberry**, PhD candidate in the Public Policy Program in the McCormack Graduate School, “The Relationship of Social Capital to Obesity for Mexican Immigrants,” was accepted for the conference “Activist Scholarship: Documenting Undocumented Border Space,” held at UC Santa Barbara on October 5.

Peter Kiang, professor of education and director of the Asian American Studies Program, presented “Community: Neighborhoods, Families, and Schools” for the Boston Teacher Residency Program in August. In September, Kiang and **Aminah Pilgrim** of the Africana Studies Department led professional development training for the Edward Everett elementary school in Dorchester that focused on using local Vietnamese/Chinese and Cape Verdean/Caribbean community history sources in social studies curriculum design.

Arthur MacEwan, professor and chair of the Economics Department, delivered the speech “Puerto Rico and the International Economic Policies of the United States” to the Asociación Interamericana de Hombrés de Empresa, in San Juan, Puerto Rico on August 30.

Joe Marrone, senior program manager for public policy at the Institute for Community Inclusion (ICI), delivered the keynote address “Recovery: Is It a Journey or a Treadmill?” at the Michigan Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association’s “EmpowerMints... Curiously Strong” conference.

Siamak Movahedi, professor and chair of the Sociology Department, presented the paper “Who Is the Author of the Dream That Is Presented for Interpretation in Psychotherapy?” and copresented “The Discourse of Transference-Love or The Discourse of Cultural Subjects: Is There a Difference?” at the VIII International Congress of Fundamental Psychopathology, held in Brazil in September.

Mohammad H. Tamdgidi, assistant professor of sociology, presented the refereed panel paper “Utopistics Beyond Marxism: Transgressing the Borderlands of Utopia, Mysticism, and Science” at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, held in August.

Russell Schutt, director of the Graduate Program in Applied Sociology, presented a poster at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting with alumna **Elizabeth Cruz** and Nursing PhD student **Gail Gall** as coauthors, and presented “Professional Master’s Programs: Reflections from UMass Boston.” He gave a talk to the Neuropsychology Laboratory of the Commonwealth Research Center, Department of Mental Health, and Harvard Medical School, about the 10th Anniversary Symposium of the National Institute of Health’s Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research.

Lloyd Schwartz, professor of English, is the featured poet in a special 9/11 poetry issue of *The Chickasaw Plum*, an online magazine of arts and politics: chickasawplum.homestead.com. Three poems of Schwartz’s are included in an online poetry anthology Enskymment: www.enskymment.org.

Vivian Zamel, professor of English, delivered a plenary address and did a workshop presentation on teaching linguistically diverse learners for faculty across the curriculum at Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, North Carolina, on August 10.

PUBLICATIONS

Pratyush Bharati, assistant professor of management science and information systems, published the cowritten paper “Diffusion of Technology-Enabled Value Innovation among Manufacturing SMEs” in *Proceedings of the Americas Conference on Information Systems*.

Jacqueline Fawcett, professor in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences (CNHS), published the article “Reporting Research Results: Implications for Nursing Practice Warrant More Than One Sentence” in *Nurse Author & Editor* and a letter to the editor in *Advances in Nursing Science*.

Laura L. Hansen of the Sociology Department contributed the chapter “Women Disadvantaged in the Workplace: The Second Shift, Emotional Labor, and the ‘Good Old Boy Network,’” in *Women in Ophthalmology: Observations on Gender Issues in Eyecare*, published by the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons and the American Society of Ophthalmic Administrators.

Stephanie Hartwell, associate professor of sociology, published the article “Persons with Mental Illness Post Prison Release” with graduate student **Sarah Kuck Jalbert** and colleague Karin Orr in *Law Enforcement Executive Forum*.

Roderick Jensen, the Alton Brann Distinguished Professor of Physics, Biology, and Mathematics and director of the Center for Environmental Health, Science, and Technology, published the coauthored article “Replacing cRNA Targets with cDNA Reduces Microarray Cross-hybridization” in *Nature Biotechnology* with part-time faculty member **Aron Eklund** and colleagues.

Nantucket’s People of Color: Essays on History, Politics and Community, edited by **Robert Johnson, Jr.**, professor and chair of Africana Studies, has been published by University Press of America. Johnson wrote the introduction to the book and the article “Patience A. Cooper: A Re-Evaluation of Her Arrest and Trial in Nineteenth Century Nantucket.”

Michelle Kahan, senior research associate for the Center for Social Policy, published “‘Put Up’ on Platforms: A History of Twentieth Century Adoption Policy in the United States” in September’s *Journal of Sociology & Social Welfare*.

Marie Kennedy, CPCS professor emeritus, published three articles, coauthored with UMass Lowell professor Chris Tilly, based on their work in Latin America: “From Here to Autonomy: Mexico’s Zapatistas Combine Local Administration and National Politics” and “Bottom-Up Planning: Lessons from Latin America’s Third Left,” both in *Progressive Planning*, and “The Zapatistas’ New Fight” in *Against the Current*.

Joe Marrone, senior program manager for public policy at the Institute for Community Inclusion, published the article “Recovery: Is It a Journey or a Treadmill?” in the UMass Medical School Center for Health Policy and Research Disability Issues newsletter.

Sathasivam Mathiyalakan, assistant professor in the Management Science and Information Systems Department, published the article “Research Issues in Agile Supply Chain Management” in *International Journal of Agile Systems and Management*.

Anthony P. Petruzzi, director of writing assessment, published a review of *James and Dewey on Belief and Experience* in *Teachers College Record*.

Mohammad H. Tamdgidi, assistant professor of sociology, edited two double-issues of *Human Architecture: Journal of the Sociology of Self-Knowledge*. One issue includes 19 articles by UMass Boston students, an editor’s note “Peer Reviewing the Peer Review Process,” and his article “Private Sociologies and Burawoy’s Sociology Types: Reflections on Newtonian and Quantal Sociological Imaginations.” The other includes the proceedings of the Third Annual Social Theory Forum 2006 conference, which includes his note “Re-Membering Anzaldúa” and the article “Anzaldúa’s Sociological Imagination: Comparative Applied Insights into Utopystic and Quantal Sociology.”

Thomas O’Grady, professor of English, published the chapter “Putting Benedict Kiely in His Place,” in *Back to the Present: Forward to the Past—Irish Writing and History since 1798* (Rodopi, 2006). He also published a poem, “André Kertész: Two Photographs,” in the Summer 2006 issue of *Notre Dame Review*.

A book by **Rebecca Fine Romanow** of the English Department, *The Post-colonial Body in Queer Space and Time*, was published by Cambridge Scholar’s Press in August. This text examines the correlation of the postcolonial to Judith Halberstam’s idea of queer space and time, which defines the non-normative path of Western lifestyles and hegemonies.

Professor **Taylor Stoehr** of the English Department published two items in the summer issue of *Radical Teacher*: an essay on the “Changing Lives Through Literature” program he teaches on campus for the Dorchester District Court, “Enforcing the Rules,” and an edition of a previously unpublished short story by sixties radical educationist Paul Goodman, “The Boy Scouts of West-hampton.”

Robert Weiner, director of the international relations track in the Master’s Program in Public Affairs, published two book reviews in the Summer-Fall-Winter 2006 issue of *Canadian American Slavic Studies*. He reviewed Robert Levy’s *Ana Pauker* and Vladimir Tismaneanu’s *Stalinism for All Seasons: A Political History of Romanian Communism*.

EXHIBITS, READINGS, PERFORMANCES, AND RECORDINGS

The College of Liberal Arts recorded its first podcast at WUMB studio, which featured student poets **Danny Diamond** and **Shell Riehl**, who read from their collections. **Joyce Peseroff**, director of the MFA in creative writing program, introduced them.

Patience of Nantucket, written by **Robert Johnson, Jr.**, professor and chair of the Africana Studies Department, premiered to sold-out audiences on September 7 at the Boston Center for the Arts’s Plaza Black Box Theatre, located in Boston’s South End.

GRANTS, RESEARCH, AND PROJECTS

Ellen Hume, director of the Center on Media and Society at the McCormack Graduate School, received a \$30,000 grant from the Ford Foundation to launch an ethnic media student internship program and an online Ethnic News Wire. Hume also teaches in the Communication Studies Program.

Donna Haig Friedman, director of the Center for Social Policy, has been invited to participate in the Mayor of Boston’s Strategic Planning Initiative: “Closing the Achievement Gap, Birth to Five.”

Sean Lunde and **James Miller** of the William Joiner Center had their portraits painted by Dorchester artists as part of a program conducted by DotArt. “Face to Face: Veterans’ Portraits,” a project matching artists to veterans, resulted in a series of paintings exhibited on doors, canvasses, and in the All Saints Church. The Joiner Center has acquired a number of the works.

From August 19 through 27, Professors **Emily McDermott**, **Jacqueline Carlon**, and **Corinne Etienne** led the Conventiculum Bostoniense, an intensive Latin-only week, on Nantucket designed for high school teachers who wish to become more fluent in speaking Latin.

CAMPUS NOTES

Jennifer Radden, professor of philosophy, will visit Merton College, Oxford, during the fall semester as an HLA Hart Visiting Research Fellow.

Julia Tripp, constituent coordinator for the Center for Social Policy, participated in a two-week inaugural event in Massachusetts as a Certified Peer Specialist in Georgia. The event was sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Brian Wright, lecturer in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, was selected to participate in The Social Context of Education Research (SCER) Project, sponsored by Division G of American Educational Research Association. SCER seeks to examine the evolution of ideas and issues in the field of education with a critical lens into issues of race, class, gender, and differences. The project begins in the fall of 2006 and continues through 2010.

UMass Boston staff and a student volunteered to read for the “Read for the Record” campaign at the Early Learning Children’s Center on August 24 as part of the Jumpstart Program.

APPOINTMENTS AND HONORS

MaryAnn Byrnes, associate professor in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, was elected president of the Massachusetts Chapter of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). Her two-year term includes preparation for Boston’s hosting of the 2008 International CEC Convention, expected to draw 6,000 professionals in special education.

Susan DeSanto-Madeya, assistant professor of nursing, was selected through competitive review to serve as a fellow in the Summer Research Career Development Institute in Minority Health and Health Disparities, EXPORT Health Project, held at the University of Pittsburgh.

Rona Flippo of the Graduate College of Education was inducted into the College Reading Association’s board of directors for a three-year term.

Institute for Community Inclusion project director **Rooshey Hasnain** received the Paulette Anjorin Community Service Award from the Massachusetts Department of Mental Retardation Urban Youth Collaborative. Through this collaborative, students from diverse backgrounds intern for private social services agencies and the department.

William Hagar, associate professor of biology, was appointed interim dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. Hagar began his faculty career at UMass Boston in 1974 and has received the Chancellor’s Distinguished Teaching Award and a Fulbright Scholarship for Research.

Joe Marrone, senior program manager for public policy at the Institute for Community Inclusion, was recently elected to the U.S. Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association board of directors.

Kathleen Golden McAndrew, assistant vice chancellor of student affairs, executive director of University Health Services, and CNHS assistant clinical professor, was appointed to the board of directors of the American Board for Occupational Health Nurses, to the editorial panel of the

Journal of American College Health, and reappointed to the editorial review panel for the *Journal of the American Association of Occupational Health Nurses*.

Andrew O’Brien, deputy chancellor, was one of ten honored by the Boston Junior Chamber of Commerce for his contributions to the Greater Boston community through exceptional professional, civic, and personal achievements. O’Brien received a Ten Outstanding Young Leaders Award on September 26.

Former U.S. Poet Laureate Billy Collins singled out a poem by **Mark Pawlak**, “The Sharper the Berry,” for praise in his introduction to the *Best American Poetry 2006*. Pawlak is director of Academic Support Programs.

College of Management dean **Philip L. Quaglieri** announced the recipients of Excellence in Teaching Awards for the 2005–2006 academic year. The honors went to **Julia Brennan Camp** and **Atreya (Chuck) Chakraborty** of the Department of Accounting and Finance, and **Maureen Scully** of the Department of Management and Marketing.

This fall, the Institute for Community Inclusion launched a workshop series on customized employment for direct service staff from agencies that are part of the state Department of Mental Retardation.

DISSERTATIONS

Julie AhnAllen, **Chris AhnAllen**, **Sue Adams**, **Jennifer Bender Berz**, and **Sara Beszterczey** of the Ph.D. Program in Clinical Psychology successfully defended their dissertations.

EVENTS

Professor Anna Craft of the University of Exeter, England and a Harvard University visiting scholar, presented her work “Manifestations of Possibility Thinking By Children” at an event sponsored by the Critical and Creative Thinking Program, held in the Healey Library on September 27.

The Division of Corporate, Continuing and Distance Education, in collaboration with the Massachusetts Biotechnology Council, the Massachusetts Medical Device Industry Council, the UMass President’s Office, and Tsinghua University, sponsored the U.S.–China Business Forum on September 18 and 19, which brought together business and political leaders to discuss economic issues, explore potential collaborative efforts, and build relationships for business opportunities in the biotech and medical device industries.

CORRECTION

Donald Hall, listed as the former poet laureate of New Hampshire in the September issue, is also the poet laureate of the United States. **Jason Bedore** is the independent study intern for Arrowsmith Press this fall.

IN THE NEWS

Carol Hardy-Fanta, director of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy, is quoted on gubernatorial politics as the primary election approaches in the *Cape Cod Times* on September 15.

Donna Haig Friedman, director of the Center for Social Policy, was quoted in the *Utne Reader* as saying she doubted claims by Las Vegas city officials that feeding homeless in public parks lures people in need from long-term solutions.

Françoise Carré, research director at the Center for Social Policy, was featured in the August issue of *Mott Mosaic*, the journal of the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation. The article featured Carré’s thoughts on temporary workers and long-term stability.

UMass Boston’s convocation featuring speeches by Chancellor **Michael F. Collins** and Massachusetts Supreme Court Chief Justice Margaret H. Marshall was covered by the *Boston Globe*, *Dorchester Reporter*, *Daily Free Press*, and WBZ-AM 1030.

On August 28, the *Boston Globe* spotlighted the Classics Department’s one-week intensive, total-immersion course in spoken Latin, held in Nantucket this August. UMass Boston’s **Jacqui Carlon**, **Corinne Etienne**, **Emily McDermott**, and **Ken Rothwell** were some of the faculty involved.

Interviews with **Paul Nestor**, associate professor of psychology, and **Marc Pomplun**, assistant professor of computer science, were featured on the Discovery Channel’s special on psychotic killers that aired on August 17. Nestor spoke of his research on criminals and Pomplun demonstrated an eye-tracking experiment in the Visual Attention Lab.

Political Science professor **Paul Watanabe** talks about the campaigns of candidates for lieutenant governor in the *Boston Globe* on September 15.

CPCS Professor Named President of Association for Humanistic Psychology



College of Public and Community Service professor Carroy U. “Cuf” Ferguson was recently named president of the Association for Humanistic Psychology. (Photo by Harry Brett)

By **Anne-Marie Kent**

College of Public and Community Service professor Carroy U. “Cuf” Ferguson was recently named president of the Association for Humanistic Psychology. He is the first African-American and person of color to lead that association, which has members in 38 countries and 45 states and the District of Columbia.

The Association of Humanistic

Psychology bills itself as an organization of “kindred spirits on the edge”—if its web site is any indicator, this edge is occupied by an affiliation of truly diverse psychosocial and spiritual practitioners who find their kinship in what is called “humanistic psychology.”

“Humanistic psychology puts the human being into the equation,” says Ferguson, who points to Abraham Maslow, Carl Rogers,

Charlotte Buhler, Rollo May, and Virginia Satir as some of the founders of the personal growth movement which aims to “foster the ability of each person to find and express their maximum potential as human beings.”

In his inaugural president’s message, Ferguson describes “the path of the Bridger” as a path that “nurtures relational harmony and personal and collective growth through ‘being authentic’ in relating to and with one another as human beings.”

The Association for Humanistic Psychology embraces what it calls “a bold new affirmative approach in psychology and life” that explores “the edges of what is known, looking for new and workable methods to facilitate our evolution as individuals and as a society.”

“I feel very honored to become part of an ongoing, transformational, creative, and inspiring history,” says Ferguson.

University Staff and Students Remember September 11



A somber group listens to Chancellor Collins. (Photo by Harry Brett)

By **Lauren DeMinico**

On the five-year anniversary of the September 11 attacks, a crowd filled the Alumni Lounge to honor and remember the lives of those lost on that tragic day. Reverend Adrienne Berry-Burton offered remarks of hope and comfort. “A retired firefighter who survived the tower collapse reminds us that while merely 3,000 died in New York alone, 20,000 more were saved,” she said.

Chancellor Michael Collins said, “Today we remember. We

remember where we were five years ago when we heard. We remember that moment, like few others, that is forever emblazoned in our memory. We remember that day, like no others, that in an instant became engraved in our history.”

Faculty and staff voiced the names of those lost and paused for a moment of silence. Performing arts staff member and pianist Angela Papierski performed a peaceful musical selection to conclude the memorial service.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER

The Calendar of Events is published monthly by the Office of University Communications and Community Relations. All events are open to the public and free, unless otherwise noted. From off campus, dial (617) 28 and the last five digits listed below each event.

Submit November calendar listings by Friday, October 13 to umb.edu/news/calendar/.

Monday 2

Beacon Fitness Center Class: Aqua Aerobics
5:30 – 6:30 p.m., Mondays, Clark Athletic Center, pool. Open to all Beacon Fitness Center members. For full schedule, contact: www.athletics.umb.edu/fitness_center/index.html.

Tuesday 3

ITC Teaching with Technology Workshop: WebCT Introduction—Part 2
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Healey Library, Instructional Technology Center, lower level, rm p2. Workshop on organizing and displaying course content using WebCT. Also on October 4 at 1:30 p.m. and October 31 at 1:00 p.m. Prerequisite: WebCT Introduction Part 1. Contact: www.itc.umb.edu.

Beacon Fitness Center Class: Cardio Mix
11:45 – 12:45 p.m., Tuesdays, McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center, 1st fl. Open to all Beacon Fitness Center members. For full schedule, contact: www.athletics.umb.edu/fitness_center/index.html.

Beacon Fitness Center Class: Strength and Tone
2:15 – 3:15 p.m., Tuesdays, McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center, 1st fl. Open to all Beacon Fitness Center members. For full schedule, contact: www.athletics.umb.edu/fitness_center/index.html.

Yoga for All
2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Tuesdays, McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center Aerobics Room, 1st fl., Kripalu yoga class open to all. Mats will be provided. Students: free. Faculty and staff: \$5.00. Sponsored by University Health Services. Also on Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m. Contact: 7-5680 or linda.jorgensen@umb.edu.

Beacon Fitness Center Class: Boot Camp
3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Tuesdays, McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center, 1st fl. Open to all Beacon Fitness Center members. For full schedule, contact: www.athletics.umb.edu/fitness_center/index.html.

Wednesday 4

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Brown Bag Lunch: A Very Dangerous Woman: Martha Wright and Women's Rights
11:30 a.m., McCormack Hall, 3-204A. Authors Sherry Penney and Jim Livingston discuss their recent book. Contact: martha.mccarthy@umb.edu.

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Fall Reception for the College of Liberal Arts
2:30 – 4:30 p.m., Healey Library, 11th fl. College update, welcome to new faculty, and a review of faculty accomplishments. Contact: 7-6500.

College of Management Forum: The New Retirement in the 21st Century: Sophisticated Portfolio Management for Personal Retirement Planning
5:00 – 6:00 p.m., Campus Center, rm. 2545, 2nd fl. Featuring Sunil Bhatia, chair and CEO of LTSAVE. Contact: cmevents@umb.edu.

Thursday 5

Mindfulness Meditation Group
2:30 – 3:00 p.m., Thursdays, McCormack Hall, Interfaith Chapel, 3rd fl. Reduce stress and practice relaxation techniques in a mindfulness meditation group. Sponsored by University Health Services/Health Education and Wellness Center. Contact: 7-5624 or lauren.mayhew@umb.edu.

Friday 6

African Development Conference
9:00 – 11:00 a.m., Campus Center, Ballroom, 3rd fl. Conference promoting social, economic, and political aspects of African culture. Sponsored by Student Life Office. Contact: 7-7950.

Saturday 7

UMass Boston Athletics: Men's Soccer vs. UMass Dartmouth
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See www.athletics.umb.edu for a full schedule, or contact: 7-7801.

Monday 9

Columbus Day
University closed.

Tuesday 10

UMass Boston Athletics: Men's Soccer vs. St. Joseph's
3:30 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See www.athletics.umb.edu for a full schedule, or contact: 7-7801.

UMass Boston Athletics: Women's Volleyball vs. Salem State College
6:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See www.athletics.umb.edu for a full schedule, or contact: 7-7801.

Wednesday 11

College of Management Senior Executive Forum
6:00 – 7:15 p.m., Campus Center. Featuring Gregory Summe, chair, CEO, and president of PerkinElmer, Inc. Contact: cmevents@umb.edu.

Thursday 12

Jerusalem Women Speak: Three Women, Three Faiths, One Shared Vision

2:30 – 4:00 p.m., Campus Center, Alumni Room. Featuring three Israeli and Palestinian women, a Christian, Jew, and Muslim, speaking on prospects for peace in the Middle East. Sponsored by the Political Science Department together with the CLA Dean's Office, Honors Program, Women's Studies Program, and Sociology Department. Contact: 7-6920 or leila.farsakh@umb.edu.

2006 Athletics Hall of Fame Induction

5:30 p.m., Campus Center, Ballroom, 3rd fl. Induction for hall of famers Bussy Adam, Mary Barrett, Darrelle Boyd, John Caccamo, Paul Curran, Rodney Forbes, Sherman Hart, Bill Innocent, Frank McCarthy, Michael Mitchell, Robert Reardon, and Gordon Webb along with the 1965-66 Boston State men's ice hockey team. Tickets are \$65. Contact: 7-7815.

Saturday 14

UMass Boston Athletics: Women's Volleyball vs. Pine Manor College
12:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See www.athletics.umb.edu for a full schedule, or contact: 7-7801.

UMass Boston Athletics: Women's Soccer vs. Eastern Connecticut State
1:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See www.athletics.umb.edu for a full schedule, or contact: 7-7801.

Tuesday 17

ITC Teaching with Technology Workshop: WebCT Vista Orientation
1:00 – 1:50 p.m., Healey Library, Instructional Technology Center, lower level, rm p1. Session to provide participants with WebCT accounts, a practice course, an overview of the software, and information on how to access instructional resources. Also on October 18 at 10:30 a.m. Contact: www.itc.umb.edu.

Wednesday 18

College of Management Teaching Effectiveness Symposium
2:30 – 4:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, rm. 619, 5th fl. Featuring winners of the 2006 Teaching Awards, Julia Brennan Camp, Atreya Chakraborty, and Maureen Scully. Contact: cmevents@umb.edu.

The Bernard A. Stotsky Lecture Series

5:30 p.m., Quinn Administration Building, Chancellor's Conference Room, 3rd fl. Featuring Laurel Leff, journalism professor and author of *Buried by The Times: The Holocaust and America's Most Important Newspaper*. Hosted by the McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies. Contact: 7-5534.

Thursday 19

Fourth Statewide Latino Public Policy Conference 2006: Knowledge, Solidarity, and Leadership: Harnessing Our Collective Strengths
8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Campus Center, Ballroom, 3rd fl. Featuring sessions on K-12 education, economic development, immigration, community activism, statewide and regional networks, and a reception with key elected officials and candidates for public office. Sponsored by the Mauricio Gastón Institute for Latino Community Development and Public Policy. Contact: 7-5790 or www.gaston.umb.edu for registration.

MFA Program in Creative Writing Infosession
7:00 p.m., Campus Center, Bookstore. Infosession on new program. Applications for September 2007 now accepted through January 15, 2007. Sponsored by the English Department. Contact: 7-6736 or joyce.peseroff@umb.edu.

Friday 20

College of Management: 5th Anniversary Gala
6:00 p.m., Boston Marriott Copley Place. Black tie gala to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the Emerging Leaders Program at the Center for Collaborative Leadership. Reservations and tickets required. Contact: leaders@umb.edu.

Saturday 21

UMass Boston Open House 2006
8:30 a.m., Campus Center. Meet faculty, staff, and students; learn about academic programs; attend workshops on admission, financial aid, Honors Program, housing; enjoy entertainment and refreshments. Contact: www.umb.edu/openhouse/

UMass Boston Athletics: Show Off Your Spirit
12:00 – 5:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. Student dressed up in their best Beacon attire for the women's volleyball LEC tournament (12:00 p.m.) and men's soccer vs. WConn (3:00 p.m.) could win a drawing for an iPod Nano, semester T-pass, or UMass Boston athletics gear. See www.athletics.umb.edu for a full schedule, or contact: 7-7801.

Monday 23

Mid-Semester

ITC Teaching with Technology Workshop: WebCT No Static—Part 1 and 2
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Healey Library, Instructional Technology Center, lower level, rm p1. Two-part introduction to e-learning pedagogy and workshop to provide strategies and techniques for using WebCT to enhance teaching and learning. Prerequisite: WebCT Orientation and Introduction Parts 1 and 2. Contact: www.itc.umb.edu.

College of Management Senior Executive Forum
6:00 – 7:15 p.m., Campus Center, rm. 3545, 2nd fl. Featuring Alexander Eksir, vice president of Mission Assurance for Raytheon Integrated Defense Systems. Contact: cmevents@umb.edu.

Tuesday 24

ITC Teaching with Technology Workshop: WebCT Introduction Part 1
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Healey Library, Instructional Technology Center, lower level, rm p2. Workshop on posting a syllabus and course materials online using WebCT. Also on October 25 at 10:30 a.m. Contact: www.itc.umb.edu.

UMass Boston Athletics: Men's Soccer vs. Massachusetts Institute of Technology
3:30 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See www.athletics.umb.edu for a full schedule, or contact: 7-7801.

Wednesday 25

College of Management Master Class
2:00 – 4:00 p.m., Campus Center, rm. 3550, 3rd fl. Featuring Ron Logue, CEO, State Street Corporation. Contact: cmevents@umb.edu.

Thursday 26

UMass Boston Athletics: Women's Soccer vs. Lesley College
3:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See www.athletics.umb.edu for a full schedule, or contact: 7-7801.

Saturday 28

UMass Boston Athletics: Women's Soccer vs. Keene State College
1:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See www.athletics.umb.edu for a full schedule, or contact: 7-7801.

Monday 30

Sticks and Stones: Living with Uncertain Wars: Publication Party
4:00 p.m., Quinn Administration Building, Chancellor's Conference Room, 3rd fl. Celebrate new publication with editors and publisher. Sponsored by the McCormack Graduate School. Contact: patricia.peterson@umb.edu.

Miscellaneous

Beacon Fitness Center
McCormack Hall, 1st fl. Open to students, alumni, staff, and faculty. Programs include personal training, aerobics classes, massage therapy, orientations, and fitness assessments. For membership, hours of operation, and schedule, please see www.athletics.umb.edu/fitness_center/index.html or 7-6786.

Campus Ministry
Offerings include interfaith Bible study, gospel choir club rehearsals, Catholic mass, Christian ecumenical worship, justice coalition workshops, etc. Contact: 7-5839 or www.umb.edu/students/campus_ministry.

Instructional Technology Center (ITC)
Interested in expanding your technology horizons? Visit the ITC Web site at www.itc.umb.edu, or contact: 7-2990.

WUMB 91.9 FM Commonwealth Journal
Sundays, 7:00 p.m. Interviews with scholars, writers, and public officials examining current issues of interest to the people of Massachusetts. Contact: 7-6900.