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Briefly...
Six UMass/Boston faculty members will be involved in a conference on Asian and Asian Americans at Boston Children's Museum on Saturday, March 19. A sake reception to follow will be sponsored by the Consulate General of Japan.

Representing UMB will be: Prof. Mark Pettie, Chair, Program in East Asian Studies, Prof. Kathy Hartford, Political Science, Prof. Ann Cordilia, Sociology, Prof. Nancy Smith-Hefner, English, Prof. Takeshi Kokubo, Japanese Language and Literature, and Prof. Peter Kiang, Sociology.

The conference is co-sponsored by UMB and the Harvard East Asian Program.

It is entitled "Common Threads" and is intended mainly for primary and secondary school teachers and counselors. It is basically an effort to give Boston-area educators the opportunity to learn more about Asia and Asian-Americans. A $35 registration fee includes lunch.

Contact: Prof. Ann Cordilia, 929-7455.

Prof. Eric Robinson, History Department, gave the A.P. Sloane lecture at Yale University recently. His subject was "Science and Technology in the Industrial Revolution."

Rev. David Hollenbach, S.J., Professor of Moral Theology at Weston School of Theology, Cambridge, delivered the annual St. Thomas Aquinas Lecture in McCormack Hall recently.

His topic: "Religion and Politics: A Catholic Contribution to the Debate."

A prominent Roman Catholic ethicist, Father Hollenbach received his Ph.D. from Yale University in 1975. He is the author of many papers.

Prof. Lois Rudnick spoke at a conference of the New England American Studies Association held at Boston College. Goal of the conference was to facilitate teaching of

Professional staff members honored for 15-year service gather around Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan. Front, left to right: Bernie Swed, External Relations; Mary E. Mahoney, Admissions; Joseph A. Slavet, Boston Urban Observatory; Chancellor Corrigan; Mary Ann Alexander, CAS Academic Support; Charles Elliott, Facilities Planning; Thomas McNeil, Physical Plant.

Twenty members of the Professional Staff and 14 from the Classified Staff were recently honored for 15 years of service by Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan. The Professional Staff honorees were feted at a breakfast meeting, while an afternoon social at the Faculty Club, Healey Library, was the site of the Classified Staff event.

"This is our second such breakfast—an event that deserves annual celebration at UMass/Boston. Now, well into our third decade, we have reached a point of maturity as a University," said Chancellor Corrigan.

"It seems appropriate to recognize those on the Professional Staff who have given 15 years of service to this institution. Of course, we are pleased to include among our UMass/Boston family those who came to us from Boston State College. "It is important to acknowledge the professional development and performance of those whom we honor. They are models and leaders for the entire Professional Staff at the University...

"As our staff grows larger, it seems important simply to get together now and again as a group, to reaffirm our sense of affinity and solidarity...

"This is a special time for me, because this will be the last professional breakfast over which I will preside as Chancellor. The last nine years have been the most productive and stimulating of my career in Higher Education. Many of the good memories I shall take with me derive from association with the people in this room. I thank you all for making my tenure as Chancellor of UMass/Boston so satisfying."

The Professional Staff members honored:
- Mary Ann Alexander, CAS Academic Support. She received a BA from UMB in 1972, a Masters in Counseling from Goddard College Graduate School and is an Ed.D. candidate at UMass/Amherst. She won the Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Service in 1984, Professional Staff Peer Recognition Award, 1980, and has lectured in the Black Studies Department.

Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan addresses 15-year honorees in Faculty Club, Healey Library.
UMB sponsors Faculty Forum on Teaching

Three distinguished educators were the first speakers at a two-day, University of Massachusetts at Boston sponsored Faculty Forum on Teaching and Teacher Education: Russell Edgerton, President, American Association for Higher Education, Norma Rees, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Board of Regents of Higher Education, and Harold R. Raynolds, Jr., Massachusetts Commissioner of Education.

The invitational Forum was convened by UMass/Boston's Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan, who noted in his introductory remarks: "For some time I have been eager for us to have this meeting and to have the opportunity to convene a diverse group of faculty and school colleagues to focus together on our mutual profession - teaching. The release of a major joint report by the Board of Regents and the State Department of Education, Making Teaching A Major Profession, provides us with an occasion to establish and strengthen our working relationships with each other, and to generate together a new approach to integrating University teaching and teacher education."

The UMass/Boston sponsored Forum was entitled: "Exploring Teaching: New Models for the Future."

Some 150 faculty from the University's Institute for Learning and Teaching, College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Management, the College of Public and Community Service and public school colleagues were in attendance on the opening day at a Norwood conference center. A heavy storm on the second day limited attendance, but the discussions and dialogue were enthusiastically continued. This was the first time so many diverse people had come together to discuss this issue, and there was a very positive and enthusiastic response among the attendees. "Dialogue is valuable, we need to continue this important exchange" said Donaldo Macedo, ESL/English. "This is an important campus-wide agenda and we need to work together and be in partnership with public school colleagues to develop innovative programs."

In terms of issues raised by the distinguished panelists: Dr. Edgerton stressed the importance of knowledge and pedagogy being integrated in instruction and encouraged a careful look at the research and activities of Lee Shulman as a possible model.

Russell Edgerton, President of the American Association for Higher Education (above and left) addresses UMass/Boston faculty and others in two-day forum held in Norwood conference center. At head table, left to right: Harold Raynolds, Jr., Mass. Commissioner of Education; Norma Rees, Vice-Chancellor, Academic Affairs, Board of Regents; UMass/Boston Chancellor Robert A. Corrigan.

Dr. Rees indicated that she saw the work of the JTTP as only the groundwork and that now the campuses really begin to formulate workable programs within those guidelines.

Dr. Raynolds stressed that he was seeking teachers and schools that did not just transmit knowledge but that could help students to "make knowledge." He wants a real, viable partnership between schools and higher education.

On the second day's program the group was addressed by Chancellor Franklyn G. Jenifer, Board of Regents of Higher Education, Laval S. Wilson, Superintendent, Boston Public Schools, and ILT's Director Robert Dentler.

Chancellor Jenifer noted in his remarks that he looks to UMass/Boston to lead the way in substantive and innovative responses to the JTTP Report. Chancellor Jenifer also praised UMass/Boston for what it has already done in this area and lauded the campus leadership.

The dialogue on these issues will continue and there will be a follow-up to the Forum when Lee Shulman of Stanford University will be at UMass/Boston to both lecture and offer a workshop for faculty and school colleagues on integrating content and pedagogy in teaching.

Dr. Robert Dentler said, "I think the Forum was an important step in the process, I welcome the input." He will work closely with the Chancellor and Provost, to coordinate follow-up activities to develop campus program plans for responding fully to the JTTP report.

Alumni add to Scholarship Fund

UMass/Boston Alumni Director Joseph O'Brien accepts check for $1,600 for the Alumni Scholarship Fund from Quincy residents Rita McKenna, center, and Louise McNamara, both members of the Class of 1946 at Boston State.

Dr. Guy Hogan appointed special assistant at UMB

Dr. Guy T. Hogan has been named special assistant at UMass/Boston.

Dr. Hogan earned a B.A. in Mathematics from Talladega College, Alabama, where he finished atop his class as a member of the National Honor Science Society. He received an M.S. in Mathematics from University of Chicago and Ph.D. in Mathematics from Ohio State University. He also earned a J.D. degree from Suffolk University Law School, where he graduated cum laude in 1985. He was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar in December, 1985.

Dr. Hogan had been an Associate Professor of Mathematics at UMass/Boston since 1973.

Dr. Guy T. Hogan
Trotter Institute sponsors lecture by Dr. Johnnetta Cole

Her experience as president of Spelman College in Atlanta dispels the myth that women are weak in mathematics or that blacks are weak in science, said Dr. Johnnetta B. Cole. Spelman's first black woman president, on a recent visit to UMass/Boston.

Speaking before a large audience in the Faculty Club, Healey Library, as part of the Black History Month celebration, Dr. Cole noted:

- "There is no such thing as a school in a perfect financial state. Look at Harvard which has a $3 billion endowment and they're still asking for more."
- "Teacher salaries are too low for the quality of activity and the heavy teaching loads we expect."
- "I began by seeing my presidency as a very normal human interest story. It's not unusual that a group of people look up and see a leader looking like themselves."
- In the Spelman Class of 1991, 37 percent of students are studying the natural sciences.
- The National Aeronautical and Space Administration is providing up to 13 full scholarships to Spelman College in a five-year program combining liberal arts and engineering.

- The outgoing president hiked the school's endowment to $41 million – from $9 million – and this enables her to direct more attention to academics and the curriculum.
- "This is not my presidency. This belongs to all Afro-American women who have attended Spelman. History – and Johnnetta B. Cole – could not have been pulled off without you."

Dr. Cole, mother of three sons, is a nationally-known educator who became the first black woman president in Spelman College's 106-year history. She came from New York’s Hunter College where she was professor of anthropology. Previously, she was one of the organizers.

Prof. Lloyd Schwartz will appear on the Elizabeth Bishop episode of "Voices & Visions," the PBS series on American poetry, to be telecast in Boston on Saturday, April 9.

Jocelyn Gant receives MTA Human and Civil Rights Award

Jocelyn E. Gant, Director of Affirmative Action at UMass/Boston, was one of three recipients of the Massachusetts Teacher’s Association (MTA) Human and Civil Rights Award.

The award was presented at the annual Human and Civil Rights Conference held at the Sheraton-Tara, Framingham.

Ms. Gant also has been selected by the Office of Governor Dukakis to serve as a member of the State Affirmative Action Advisory Board.

Ms. Gant received her B.S., cum laude, in English from Boston State College. She received a Masters in English from Boston College and currently is writing her Ph.D. dissertation at Boston College in Higher Education Administration.

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American studies in the classroom. She was one of the organizers. Some 60 high school teachers attended.

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Prof. Schwartz edited a book called Elizabeth Bishop and Her Art. Elizabeth Bishop was born in Worcester, Mass. in 1911 and died in Boston in 1979. She won both the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award and was the first American and the first woman to win the prestigious Neustadt Prize in International Literature.

Physical Plant's John Rathke retires

John Rathke of Quincy, center, is flanked by UMass/Boston co-workers at his retirement as Utility Plant Operator on the Harbor Campus. At left is Joseph Pasakarnis, on right, Chief Engineer Peter Verrochi. Rathke spent 14 years with the University after a U.S. Naval career.

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Ceremonies honor UMB staffers for 15 years of service

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a major in English, came to work for the University in January, '72 as a receptionist for Registrar Eleanor Silverman. She married Joe Belliveau in 1983, has a daughter Erin, 16 months.

* Elizabeth A. (Betsy) Boehne, Human Resources. She is responsible for implementation of academic personnel policy and procedures; retirement counselling. Previously she served as Assistant Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs, 1981-86 and as Special Assistant to the Chancellor, 1980-81. Her first association with UMB was as Assistant Dean, College II.
* Barbara M. Buchanan, CPC Dean's Office. Her interest in workplace education and urban issues grew out of her work in New York City, both in social service and in the civil rights movement. She had been involved in a training program for urban adults in the 1960s. She joined the University in September, '72 in the planning office in the Statler Hotel, Park Square. Six deans later, she's still in the Dean's office.
* Clare Joyce Donahue, Dean of Students since 1982. She earned a B.A. in History and an M.Ed. in Counseling from Boston State. She presently is a doctoral candidate in UMass-Amherst's Higher Education Program. A resident of Walpole, Dean Donahue is married to Edward Donahue and has one son, Frank.
* David L. Edmonds, Human Resources.
* Charles E. Elliott, Facilities Planning.
* Hannah L. Gilman, Institute for Learning and Teaching. She graduated from Chatham College with a BA in English, served as a Peace Corp volunteer in Korea, 1966-68. She has served at ILT since 1972, was grants and budget coordinator for eight years.
* Midori B. Hayashi, CAS Dean's Office.
* Mary E. Mahoney was Associate Director of Admissions at Boston State College, serving all foreign applicants and freshmen. She has served on the Executive Board of Massachusetts Women in Public Higher Education, Greater Boston Guidance Association. She was a nominee for the Chancellor's Distinguished Service Award in 1987. She's an avid tennis player and skier and serves on the Beacon Hill Civic Association Board.
* James V. Morris, Associate Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs, came to UMass/Boston after nine years at Boston State College, first as Dean of Students and then as Vice President of Student Affairs.
* John J. Silvassy, Controller's Office, is a graduate of Suffolk University. He worked in the private sector before coming to the University in January, 1972 when the office was located at 131 Arlington St. Downtown Boston. Jack is an avid distance runner.
* Joseph A. Stavel, Director of the Boston Urban Observatory, is an Adjunct Professor, College of Public and Community Service. He was Executive Secretary, Boston Municipal Research Bureau, 1952-62, and consultant to the National Commission on Urban Problems (1968).
* Bernard Sneed, External Relations, is Director of the Columbia Point Field Office. He received his B.A. degree from UMB in 1980 and presently is a candidate for a Masters in Human Service Administration. He has received numerous awards, including the President's Award from the Alumni Association in 1987. He was on the Neighborhood Housing Service Board of Directors, 1984-87.
* Mary Ungerman, Chancellor's Office, first worked in 1972 for the Vice President for Administration and Finance in the President's Office. In 1973 she came to the Boston Campus and served as Assistant to the Chancellor. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Goucher College.
* Charles M. Joyce, first of four 1973 honorees, came from Stone and Webster Engineering Co. He was hired as Chief Utility Engineer during the final stages of construction and initial start-up phase of the Harbor Campus. He held the position of Associate Director of Physical Plant until December, 1986, when he was promoted to Acting Director after the retirement of Charles Spaulding.
* Sara A. Kelley, Director of the Child Development Program, previously was a Headstart teacher and director of the child care program at Brigham and Women's Hospital. She received a BA from McGill University, Montreal, 1955, and an MS from Wheelock College, 1973. Her husband Brian Scott Kelley is an Episcopal priest at St. Paul's Cathedral in downtown Boston. They have three married children, one a UMB graduate.
* James J. Lovett, Director, Public Safety.
* Thomas McNeil, Physical Plant. He is the electrical engineer and in addition to his regular duties such as design and review, is in charge of energy conservation. In this capacity he has saved the University millions of dollars in reduced energy consumption. He was cited by Gov. Michael Dukakis for his efforts.

In the afternoon session, a good-sized audience of Classified Staff members and their friends and associates heard an address by Chancellor Corrigan. Feted were:
* Philip R. Marotta, Central Duplicating.
* Anna Pires, recently-retired secretary in the Student Affairs Office, who came over from Boston State College.
* James E. Quinn, a Dorchester native who serves as courier from the Harbor Campus-based mailroom.
* Frank J. Ross, another Boston State product who came over in the 1983 merger. He works out of the Physical Plant office. "The University has been a very rewarding experience," said Ross.
* Peter R. Shmio, Computing Services.
* James E. Stevens, Public Safety, was Chief Security Officer at Boston State for 10 years. Previously he was a police officer in the town of Dover. He spent four-plus years in the U.S. Navy and was awarded a Letter of Commendation for Rescue at the Cocon­nut Grove Fire in November, 1942.
* Robert K. Doane, Physical Plant.
* Maria F. Geradel, Telecommunications, is the Head Switchboard operator. She's also a former dance hall singer and entertained in the heyday of Old Scollay Square. "I'm grateful to the University and particularly to Chancellor Corrigan, who still takes time to know and honor the staff personally," she said.
* Perfecto Rivera, Material Department.
* Kathleen Potter, Public Safety, worked in the Department of Education as a secretary before coming to UMB in 1973. She worked in the Budget Office (Downtown) and in Auxiliary Services and Accounting. She was graduated from the Boston Police Academy in 1974 and became a patrolwoman. She is married to a Quincy police­man and has three children.
* Mary Estelle Wilhelmi, joined the Library staff in 1973 and later became an English Major. "If the prayers of my family are answered, I'll receive my degree in 18 months," she said. A Hull resident, she has a daughter and two grandchildren.
* James D. Wise, Public Safety, spent three years in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was graduated from Newbury Junior College and from the Boston Police Academy in January, 1976. He was promoted to Sergeant in June, 1987.