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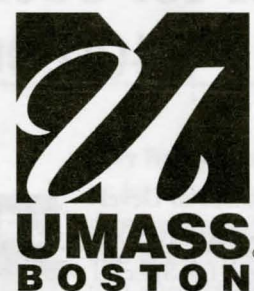
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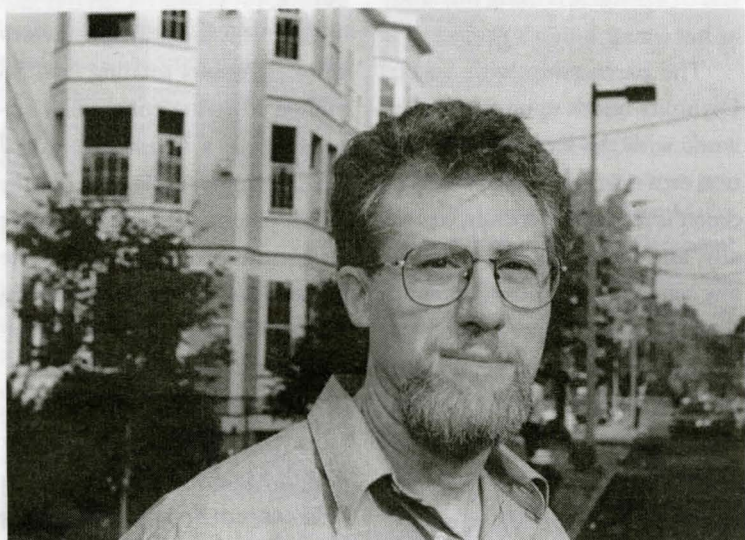
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Professor of Community Planning and Public Policy Awarded 2002 Atlantic Fellowship



Professor Michael Stone is one of only nine US public policy professionals to receive the 2002 Atlantic Fellowship. He will conduct research for the project "Shelter Poverty and Social Housing in the U.K. and U.S.: Action Research for Policy and Practice" while at the Centre for Urban and Community Research at Goldsmiths College, University of London. (Photo by Harry Brett)

By Anne-Marie Kent

Professor Michael Stone of the College of Public and Community Service, the McCormack Institute of Public Affairs, and the Public Policy Ph.D. Program was recently named a recipient of a 2002 Atlantic Fellowship. He is one of only nine public policy professionals in the United States chosen this year, and he is the first member of the UMass Boston faculty ever to receive this prestigious award.

Established by the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office in 1994 to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of D-Day and the U.S. contribution to the liberation of Europe, the Atlantic Fellowship in Public Policy provides a unique opportunity for outstanding mid-career professionals to study in the

United Kingdom.

As an Atlantic Fellow, Stone will be spending the 2002-3 academic year based at the Centre for Urban and Community Research at Goldsmiths College, University of London. His Atlantic Fellowship project is titled "Shelter Poverty and Social Housing in the U.K. and U.S.: Action Research for Policy and Practice."

A primary focus of Stone's research and professional activity in the United States has been on the problem of housing affordability, as defined and measured through his original concept of "shelter poverty." The shelter poverty standard is a sliding scale of housing affordability that reflects the interaction among incomes, housing

costs, and the basic costs of non-shelter necessities. Both nationally and locally, Stone's studies of shelter poverty have not only examined the problem in the aggregate, but also given particular attention to shelter poverty among households headed by persons of color, women, and the elderly.

Since his book *Shelter Poverty: New Ideas on Housing Affordability* was published in 1993, Stone has continued to update his analysis. A forthcoming book co-edited by Stone, *Housing: Foundation for a New Social Agenda*, includes a chapter that examines shelter poverty trends nationally from 1970 through the late 1990s. He also has conducted a series of studies on shelter poverty

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Chinua Achebe and Bill Russell To Receive Honorary Degrees

By Anne-Marie Kent

With commencement less than a month away, excitement on campus is building in anticipation of the big day, heightened by the announcement of two more honorary degree recipients. Honorary degrees are given to individuals nominated by members of the university community and officially chosen by the Board of Trustees for achievements reflective of UMass Boston's mission.

Last month, Chancellor Jo Ann Gora announced that Tim Russert, moderator of "Meet the Press" and political analyst for NBC's "Nightly News with Tom Brokaw" and "Today" show

would receive an honorary degree and deliver the commencement address. Now, she announces that internationally acclaimed Nigerian writer Chinua Achebe and famed basketball player Bill Russell also will receive honorary degrees.

Achebe's first novel, *Things Fall Apart* (1958), won him international acclaim with its portrayal of rural Africa and the beginning of colonialism. He followed it with the books *No Longer at Ease* (1960), *Arrow of God* (1964), *A Man of the People* (1966), and, most recently, *Anthills of the Savannah* (1987). Achebe's literary career has fo-

cused on the contact and conflict between the Igbo culture of Nigeria and British culture.

These themes emerge in his novels, as well as throughout his many essays, poems, and children's stories. His works have been translated into more than 50 languages. The recipient of numerous awards and fellowships, Achebe has been considered for the Nobel Prize for Literature.

He has also played a leading role in the development of African literature as a writer and through his support of other African writers. In 1971, he founded *Okiki: An African*

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Chancellor Appoints Fonteyn as New Provost

By Anne-Marie Kent

On April 3, Chancellor Gora announced the appointment of Paul J. Fonteyn as provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs. Fonteyn is currently dean of graduate studies at San Francisco State University (SFSU)—the largest in the California State University system. He will begin his tenure at UMass Boston in August.

"Dr. Fonteyn brings to our campus a wealth of expertise," said Gora. "He has a strong record of academic vision, leadership, and advocacy; extensive teaching and mentoring experience; and a commitment to the urban mission of this campus."

For Fonteyn, "August can't



come too soon." He says, "UMass Boston is a university on the move. The chancellor and the faculty and staff all share a common vision of making the university the best it can be. I truly believe that UMass Boston can be-

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Center for Social Development and Education Leads \$400,000 Study for Special Olympics

By Leigh DuPuy

The Center for Social Development and Education (CSDE) has been selected by Special Olympics International to lead a multinational study on societal attitudes and practices towards individuals with mental retardation. This is the first-time this kind of attitude survey will be conducted on a worldwide level. Partnering with Gallup International, CSDE will survey 9,000 people in ten countries: Japan, China, Russia, Germany, Egypt, Ireland, Northern Ireland, South Africa, Mexico, and the United States.

"Very little has been done to measure attitudes on mental retardation cross-culturally," explains Gary Siperstein, director of CSDE. "The goal is to come up with a message to all countries on what they can do to improve programs and practices for people with the disability."

Utilizing Gallup's polling resources, the center will survey the general public on their perceptions of people with mental retardation in areas of education,



Institutes and students are collaborating together for the Center for Social Development and Education's attitude study on mental retardation. From left to right: Stephen Gould of CSDE, Floyd Fowler and Carol Cosenza of the Center for Survey Research, Gary Siperstein, director of CSDE, and students Jennifer Norrins, Jason Newhall, and Amanda Mohler. (Photo by Harry Brett)

employment, and residential living. Questions have been designed to be culturally relevant and topics have been gathered from existing literature on attitudes. Floyd Fowler and Carol Cosenza of the Center for Survey Research have helped in the questionnaire design and are consulting on issues of sampling and data collection.

At the conclusion of the year-long study, the results will be published in different languages and presented at a symposium to be held in June 2003 in Belfast, Northern Ireland. At the meeting, organizers plan to assess the impact of the report and plan for a survey expansion to a new set of countries, results of which would be presented in China in 2006.

Siperstein is particularly excited that both undergraduate and graduate students will be working on the team, which includes CSDE's Stephen Gould. "Our students are taking leadership roles in the research. Psychology undergraduates Jennifer Norrins, Amanda Mohler, and Jason Newhall are able practice what they learn in the classroom and apply it to the project," says Siperstein. Norrins, senior research assistant, is using this study as her senior honor's project.

The partnership with Special Olympics builds upon the center's work with the Kennedy Foundation on a number of projects. The center is recognized locally, regionally, and nationally as one of the few centers in the country that address the social aspects of education. "We have studied the attitudes of teachers, parents, physicians, and children for over twenty years towards individuals with disabilities," says Siperstein. A research and training institute, CSDE is dedicated to promoting quality education and social development for students of all ages, particularly those at risk for academic and social failure.

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come one of the top urban public universities in the nation."

In addition to his positions as dean and associate vice president at SFSU, he has held the positions of director of federal relations and interim director of development, and served on the board of directors for the SFSU University Foundation and the Romberg Tiburon Center for Environmental Studies.

Fonteyn has extensive teaching experience and a strong record in conceiving, promoting, and supporting programs for diverse students. He is the principal investigator on grants totaling over \$6 million to create community science centers in impoverished neighborhoods. He also led the development of a collaborative multi-year program to promote higher graduation rates among minority students majoring in science, math, and engineering.

As she welcomed Fonteyn, Gora thanked Interim Provost Arthur MacEwan for his service: "His concern for academic values, his dedication to the university mission, especially the undergraduate curriculum, and his sense of fair play have all been a daily pleasure for those working with him."

Musicians Celebrate Spring on the Plaza

The university plaza will be the stage for a "Musical Showcase" on Wednesdays throughout the month of May which highlights artists associated with UMass Boston. This inaugural music concert series is sponsored by the Chancellor's Office, with the cooperation of the Music Department and Office of University Communications and Community Relations. Concerts begin at 2:30 p.m. on the following days:

- May 1** James McKenna, a UMass Boston music major and folk-singer who has released two albums
- May 8** The UMass Boston Chamber Singers
- May 15** The Chester Brezniak Quartet, a professional jazz group headed by UMass Boston clarinet instructor Chester Brezniak
- May 29** Blown Fuse, a professional fusion group headed by Steve Hunt. Steve has given lecture-presentations to the Jazz Band and others at UMass Boston

Honors Programs Welcomes New Students and Congratulates Seniors on Family Night



The Honors Program celebrated new students and graduating honors students with faculty and families on Family Night, which was held at the University Club on April 10. In addition to a lecture, "Archeology of the Big Dig," given by Anthropology Professor Stephen Mrozowski, the event offered an opportunity to introduce new honors students to the community and present the Robert H. Spaethling Prize for distinction in completing the honors program. The prize was shared by two graduating seniors, Ben Day and Benjamin Loring. At the event, Chancellor Gora announced the award of a Fulbright grant to Day to travel and study to the United Kingdom. Day is one of two students to receive the fellowship; Michael Plante is traveling to Japan to study economic philosophy with a Fulbright grant. From left to right: Michael Plante, Benjamin Loring, Chancellor Gora, and Ben Day. (Photo by Harry Brett)

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Labor Resource Center to Honor Senator Kerry and Teresa Heinz on May 10

By Jeanne Wallace-Buckley

On May 10, Senator John F. Kerry and his wife philanthropist Teresa Heinz will be awarded the Chancellor's Medal for Distinguished Service to Massachusetts' Working Men and Women at the Labor Resource Dinner at the Boston Teacher's Union Hall. Kerry and Heinz will join a distinguished list of previous recipients, which includes Senator Tom Birmingham; Congressman Stephen Lynch; Don Wightman, president of the National Union of Utility Workers; and Dennis Rivera, Latino activist and president of NYC 1191/SEIU.

"I am very proud UMass Boston is bestowing the Chancellor's medal in recognition of Senator Kerry's and Teresa Heinz' exemplary public service," said Chancellor Gora. "Their work in the community is inspiring."

"We recognize individuals who exemplify the spirit of the award—regional and national commitment to working people," explains Pat

Reeves, director of the Labor Resource Center. "Kerry and Heinz each exemplify commitment to working people, and share a concern for the income maintenance and social supports for the most vulnerable population."

Kerry, a Yale graduate and decorated Vietnam veteran, has demonstrated unwavering support of workers during his 18 years of service in the U.S. Senate, with a voting record greater than 90 percent on labor votes.

Teresa Heinz, a 1998 UMass Boston honorary degree recipient and former United Nations linguist, is the chairman of the Heinz Family Philanthropies and of the Howard Heinz Endowment, one of the nation's largest philanthropic enterprises. Heinz has funded, tirelessly advocated for, and advanced research and programs that promote the long-term economic security of women in the Commonwealth and across the nation.

The dinner will benefit the Labor Resource Center, established in 1997 as an outgrowth of the 15-year-old Labor Studies Program. The center offers both undergraduate and non-degree programs in labor studies and conducts basic research, provides support and training to labor and community organizations, and advocates for economic and social justice for working families.

In keeping with the event's theme, "When the Ordinary Becomes Extra-Ordinary: Celebrating the Power of Public Service," the event will also honor and celebrate the contributions of the Association of Flight Attendants; Bob Bower of the Massachusetts AFL-CIO Education and Training Department; the Employment Unit of Greater Boston Legal Services; Ironworkers Union Local 7 Boston; the Legalization Coalition; and Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts I.A.F.F.

Commonwealth Journal Repeats Top Broadcaster's Program Award



From left to right: WUMB's Pat Monteith, Dave Palmater, Barbara Neely, and Lisa Hickler celebrate the first place award in the studio where Commonwealth Journal is taped. (Photo by Harry Brett)

By Leigh DuPuy

Commonwealth Journal, the weekly public affairs program produced by WUMB Radio and the Massachusetts Foundation for the Humanities, has won first place for public service programming from the Associated Press of Massachusetts and Rhode Island for the second year.

"It's very difficult to win two years back to back," says Pat Monteith, general manager of WUMB Radio, "particularly with two different hosts." Neely, the well-known author of the *Blanche White* mystery series, replaced Elizabeth Sherman as host in February 2001 when Sherman resigned to pursue other projects. "I am glad to be able to preserve the show's high standards," Neely says.

Not only was the program evaluated with a different host, but by a different set of judges. Each year a group of broadcasters from another area in the country will judge programs from outside their regions. Judges in Chicago evaluated *Commonwealth Journal* from a submission CD that featured Neely and guests speaking on two show topics, "Changing Lives Through Literature" and "Shakespeare Behind Bars."

Commonwealth Journal fea-

tures segments with scholars, writers, cultural workers, and public officials examining current issues of particular interest to Massachusetts listeners. Programs range from topics such as the history of the Customs House in Boston, new welfare regulations, and MCAS testing. "Part of the mission is to give voice to organization and individuals who are worth hearing," explains Lisa Hickler, the program's assistant producer who books guests for the program. Dave Palmater agrees; as production engineer he has listened to more than 100 interviews for the show and has the challenging task of editing the program into two concise 15-minute pieces.

WUMB staffers received their award during a ceremony held on April 20 at the Newton Marriott. The event was held in conjunction with the Radio and Television News Directors Annual Conference.

Commonwealth Journal is produced with support from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. Listeners can tune in for provocative and insightful interviews every Sunday at 7:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on 91.9 FM in Boston, as well as on 22 public radio stations across Massachusetts.

Athletics Department Receives Community Service and Outreach Award

By Melissa Fassel

This past winter, UMass Boston, one of 218 members of the National Consortium for Academics and Sports (NCAS), received the consortium's Community Service and Outreach Honor Roll Award. This honor reflects UMass Boston's commitment to developing leadership in its student athletes and caring for the Boston community, as well as the university's ultimate goal to prepare young people who are not only academically and athletically successful, but socially con-

scious and aware.

UMass Boston was the top academic institution out of all NCAS members, positively impacting the lives of over 250,000 youth in the Greater Boston community. The University of Nebraska was a distant second, impacting approximately 181,000 youth. Activities hosted by UMass Boston included a baseball clinic for neighborhood youth baseball teams and participation in the Student-Athlete Youth Collaborative Clinic spon-

sored by the Boston Police Department. The men's basketball team paid an annual visit to the pediatric ward of the Boston Medical Center, distributing toys, singing, and playing games with the children. The women's basketball team ran clinics for area youth, and the school distributed tickets to area youth as social incentives. More than 18,000 game tickets were distributed to attract youth to games as part of the university's social and academic incentive program.

University Talent Debuted on New CD



Students, faculty, and staff celebrated the Music Department's new compact disc UMass Boston: Live at the Millennium, at a release party held at the University Club on April 17. The CD features performances by the UMass Boston Jazz Band, the UMass Boston Chamber Orchestra, and the UMass Boston Chamber Singers, who gave a live performance during the party. (Photo by Anne-Marie Kent)

Chancellor To Give Keynote Address at National Human Relations Award Dinner

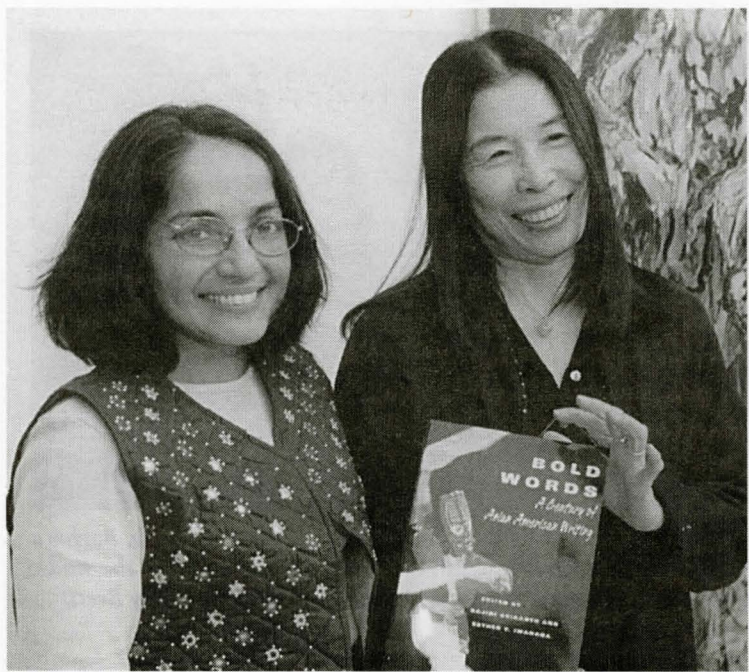
Chancellor Jo Ann Gora will be the keynote speaker at the American Jewish Committee (AJC) National Human Relations Award Dinner. The event, to be held on May 23 at the Copley Plaza Hotel, will honor John Larkin Thompson for his lifelong commitment and service to the Greater Boston community.

Thompson is of counsel to Nutter, McClennan & Fish and

was formerly president and chief executive officer of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, Inc. Thompson requested Gora's participation in the event, which includes a roster of Boston's top business and civic leaders.

The AJC holds annual dinners to honor leaders of the business and civic community and has 33 regional offices in major cities worldwide, including Boston.

English Faculty Collaborate on New Asian American Anthology



Coauthors Rajini Srikanth and Esther Iwanaga of the English Department celebrate the publication of their new work: *Bold Words: A Century of Asian American Writing*. (Photo by Harry Brett).

By Sarah Oktay

It all started when Esther Iwanaga, English Department lecturer, decided the text she was using in the "Introduction to Asian American Writing" course was lacking in diversity and breadth. After discussing the problem with Rajini Srikanth, a member of the English department who teaches "Asian American Literary Voices," they decided that not only the class, but also the field of Asian American literature, could benefit from an anthology with equitable representation from a range of voices. Their collaboration blossomed into

a literary reader spanning 100 years of Asian American writing.

Consciously avoiding the thematic, ethnocentric, and gender-specific limitations exhibited in some anthologies, Srikanth and Iwanaga choose from both established and new voices across four genres: memoirs, fiction, poetry, and drama. Each co-editor came up with a list of selections they felt should be included and these lists were winnowed down to selections in the final version. As a result, they produced a rich and varied volume that covers a wide spectrum of

Asian American literature. Over 60 authors from diverse Asian American ethnicities are represented, including Bangladeshi, Cambodian, Chinese, Filipino, Indian, Japanese, Korean, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, and Vietnamese. Each genre is introduced by a well-known author or scholar of the genre: Meena Alexander on memoirs, Eileen Tabios on poetry, Gary Pak on fiction, and Roberta Uno on drama.

Bold Words is a timely contribution to the field as the number of Asian American Studies programs offered at universities increases as American's population becomes more diverse and multi-ethnic.

The English Department, the Asian American Studies Program, Pacific Asian American Student Studies in Graduate Education, and the Institute for Asian American Studies (IAAS) co-sponsored a *Bold Words* book party April 11. Students Shana Penna, Nguyen Duy, Yung Mey Ng (James), and Kraig Ludensky read selections from the book and Alex Luu performed an excerpt from his play. A spontaneous discussion occurred at the end of the party with students, faculty, and other attendees gaining a deeper understanding of not only Asian American literature, but also what it means to be an Asian American.

Bold Words is available in the UMass Boston bookstore.

Best Practices: Public Policy Program Helps Students to Dissertation Finish Line

By Barbara Graceffa

In a workshop flyer, we asked our post-residency students in the Ph.D. Program in Public Policy, "Do you find yourself saying, 'I'll work on my dissertation next week (month, semester...)'?", "Do you have trouble juggling the conflicting demands of family, work and dissertation research/writing?", and "Is anxiety, fear, or frustration holding you back?" For too many students, the answer was "yes" to all three!

The Chronicle of Higher Education ran an article last spring noting that stressed doctoral candidates are turning to gurus and boot camps for support and discipline. According to the article, "Technically, ABD stands for 'all but dissertation'. But for anyone who has languished in that purgatory, it might as well stand for 'all but dead'."

In order to reach out to our own Public Policy ABD students, the program has developed a multi-pronged strategy to address their needs. First, we started a new weekly newsletter, *The Finish Line*, to provide tips and advice on everything from choosing a dissertation topic to conducting mock orals. Second, we offer periodic workshops entitled "Dissertation Insanity is Just a State of Mind" to help students understand their thinking habits and to make suggestions on using time more effectively.

Other initiatives provided non-credit, post-residency seminars and modest dissertation support grants to help cover such expenses as travel, data collection, and transcription ser-

vices, as well as weekly inspirational quotes by e-mail from the assistant director. From time to time, we hold post-residency dinners to bring students back to campus to learn about dissertation style or the latest qualitative software package. Finally, a dissertation boot camp is on the drawing board for this summer or next academic year.

Many have compared writing a dissertation to running a marathon. Despite the enormity of the achievement, faculty and staff coaches in the program have made a conscious effort to push our own ABDs across the finish line. Our efforts have paid off. Between September 2000 and April 2002, we have had ten dissertation proposal hearings and issued more than \$20,000 in dissertation support grants. At this year's commencement, we will have a record six graduates – almost doubling our group of alumni – with several more ABDs planning completion by the end of the year.

This fall will mark the tenth anniversary of the PhD Program in Public Policy. We believe our doctoral students represent a group that will change the face of public policy making in the 21st century. The above-mentioned motivational strategies conducted by our extraordinarily committed faculty and staff have made a difference in the lives of these students.

Graceffa is assistant director for the Ph.D. Program in Public Policy. This column is part of a continuing monthly series featuring best practices at UMass Boston. Submit your ideas to news@umb.edu.

Surprises Working Online

By David Patterson

Pasta... curry... zinfandel... other flavorful treats were brought by online students to the home of a sociology major, who was enrolled in the same distance learning course. We gathered with the anticipation of meeting, face-to-face, those with whom we had "chatted" over the Internet for nearly a semester. These online students came from all parts of Massachusetts, and though out-of-staters such as our Floridian were unable to attend, they were kept up to speed through our usual mode of communication: e-mail.

Students were alive with the excitement of talking to one another about taking—for the first time ever—an academic course for credit through umassbostononline. It seems that these students had signed up for "Universe of Music" not only to complete an arts requirement or to learn more about music, but because they possessed a genuine curiosity and sense of adventure about learning.

During dinner, students asked

me, "How many times have you taught this course online?" To their surprise, they learned that it was my very first time. I had been a hold-out in becoming involved in the new wave of information technology. However, like the students, my curiosity finally got the best of me, and so this past fall I embarked upon the prospect of designing and leading a course completely bound up in computers.

To my surprise and delight, just about everything needed for our study about the universe of music could be found on the Web. Out with the expensive textbooks and their CDs and in with an electronic text fused with hyperlinks for adventuring out into the amazing world of music. We have compared human heartbeats and pulsars with musical rhythms, seen and heard aboriginal instruments of Australia, and taken virtual lessons on Indonesian gamelan instruments, to mention just a few class projects.

And there was yet another surprise! The scope of the papers sub-

mitted electronically—as attachments—was not limited to text alone. Students visited sites with video clips, audio clips, photographs, maps, charts, and much more.

Wondering why a distance-learning course should have a "live meeting" as one of its requirements, we saw firsthand perhaps its greatest purpose. To nobody's surprise, we found that the value of the experience was in venturing forth from the virtual world and into the real one, finally meeting those with whom we had surfed along the Web.

Least expected was the impact two semesters of online teaching would have on my classroom. I did not figure these Internet encounters with the students and the possibilities of the Web becoming so quickly and naturally intertwined with a lifetime of teaching. But learning is always fraught with surprises.

David Patterson, professor of music, has taught at UMass Boston for nearly 30 years.

Two UMass Boston Alumni Join Board of Trustees

On March 20, the University of Massachusetts announced that Governor Jane M. Swift had appointed three new university trustees, Dennis G. Austin, Lawrence Boyle, and James J. Karam. All three appointees received their undergraduate degrees from UMass campuses, and Austin and Boyle are alumni of UMass Boston.

Austin is the director of state government relations for Raytheon Company, where he is responsible for communicating the company's priorities to local, county, and state government officials. He earned his law degree at Suffolk University Law School and is a resident of Duxbury.

Boyle is the senior partner of the Morrison, Mahoney, and Miller law firm in Boston and is a member of the management committee of his law firm. He too is a graduate of Suffolk Law School and currently lives in Milton.

Karam, a graduate of UMass Dartmouth, is the president of First Bristol Corporations in Fall River.

The newly named trustees will replace former trustees Daniel E. Bogan, Robert S. Karam, and Peter K. Lewenberg. The 22-member board includes five student members who are elected by fellow students at the universities.

Faculty Graduate from the Teaching with Technology Program

By Sara Baron

A semester-long series of workshops designed to assist faculty in becoming knowledgeable and proficient in the use of instructional technology has regularly been offered by the Instructional Technology Center (ITC). However, for the first time a new and significant component has been made possible through funds provided by Chancellor Gora. The Teaching with Technology (TWT) Program is part of a major initiative to foster the use of instructional technology in teaching and research.

The target audience for the TWT program is faculty who are familiar with basic computer applications yet who currently do not use technology in the classroom. To provide participants not only with an understanding of the relevant software but also the requisite hardware to fully incorporate instructional technology in their work, each faculty participant received a Dell C810 laptop computer.

The TWT program requires participation in 20 hours of weekly workshops at ITC. Technologies discussed include: PowerPoint and the enrichment of traditional classroom procedures with presentation software; the university-wide learning management system software, Prometheus; and the web site design software Dreamweaver. We also discussed the hardware and software necessary for the conversion of analog media resources such



Robert Risse, co-director of the TWT program, assists "student" Maurice Cunningham, chair of the Political Science Department. Jack Spence, also a political science professor, is seen to the right. (Photo by Harry Brett)

as photographs, sound recordings, and video to digital format for the classroom in PowerPoint presentations and on web sites. Faculty in the spring 2002 TWT program are completing their technology training with a presentation of final projects on May 29. The final session is devoted to their projects and a discussion of the range of possible applications to various disciplines, research concerns, and work environments.

Faculty who wish to further pursue the use of technology in their academic work are invited to apply to the Senior Fellows in Technology program, which is intended for faculty with some experience in instructional technology. Participants are selected on the basis of a project of theirs that

represents a significant investigation of the application of instructional technology to their teaching and/or research.

Senior fellows meet monthly over two semesters to discuss the progress of their work, share ideas and experience, and make a formal presentation upon the completion of their project. In addition, senior fellows receive a stipend to support their project through the purchase of hardware or software, or to compensate student assistants. Recruitment for both programs has begun for the fall 2002 semester. Information regarding application to either program is available at www.itc.umb.edu.

-Raymond Melcher and Robert Risse contributed to this article.

The Gastón Institute Puts Latino Public Policy on the Agenda

By Kim Trauceniek

The Mauricio Gastón Institute for Latino Community Development held its second statewide Latino public policy conference, "The State of Latino Massachusetts: From Analysis to Strategy," on April 26 in Lowell, MA. Over 500 community activists, politicians, students, and researchers, including UMass Boston Chancellor Gora and Commissioner Richard Driscoll of the Massachusetts Department of Education, participated in the event. The goals of the conference were to analyze issues vital to the Latino community and to increase Latino political activism.

"By investing in education and social services, we can all make a difference," says Lorna Rivera, assistant professor in the College of Public and Community Service and research associate for the Gastón Institute. "Latinos are the largest minority group in the state and we continue to experience disproportionate and severe social and economic disadvantages."

"This year's conference revisits the recommendations made in the *Latino Agenda* developed at our first statewide conference in 2000," says Rivera. Some of the topics addressed were health, housing, education, and po-

litical representation.

A televised Town Hall Meeting addressed the future of bilingual education and other controversial issues, such as the MCAS. One major area of concern is the bilingual education bill sponsored by Californian businessman Ron Unz. "We need to inform the Latino community about the consequences of this bill and come up with alternatives so that there are choices," said Unz.

Community leaders such as Claudia Chuber of Salem's City Council and Carlos Martinez of the United Way facilitated conference workshops. Participants examined case studies and discussed concrete action strategies for improving the conditions of Latinos in Massachusetts. The conference concluded with facilitated dialogue sessions discussing the ramifications of September 11 in addition to college recruitment and retainment issues.

The data collected at this year's conference will assist the Hispanic Caucus in formulating specific bills and legislation for the upcoming election. Rivera says, "This is an important tool for ensuring that policy makers are held accountable and that the voices of the Latino community are heard."

Stone (cont.)

in Massachusetts.

Now that he has been selected as an Atlantic Fellow, Stone has the opportunity to introduce this concept to British policymakers, practitioners, academics, and activists and engage them in the process of evaluating, adapting, and re-computing the shelter poverty scale for the U.K. Stone will also be studying public and non-profit housing in the U.K., with emphasis on resident and community perspectives. "The first purpose of the project is to apply and test the utility for the U.K. of the approach that I have developed for understanding housing problems in the U.S.," says Stone. "The second purpose is to draw lessons for U.S. housing policy and community practice from the experience of the U.K." A third purpose, says Stone, is to identify and develop possibilities for ongoing collaborations between the Center for Social Policy and other units of UMass Boston and the Centre for Urban and Community Research at

Goldsmiths College.

Like UMass Boston, Goldsmiths is an integral part of a diverse urban setting, and the Centre for Urban and Community Research maintains a strong reputation for its socially relevant research on urban and community life, addressing popular, academic, policy, and professional audiences. "Goldsmiths has many parallels to things we're doing here," says Stone. "It is very much connected to the city. They do projects with the local community, and draw many students from the local area."

Stone hopes that his Atlantic Fellowship experience will provide a "special opportunity for ongoing contact, joint research projects, and perhaps distance learning and teleconferencing."

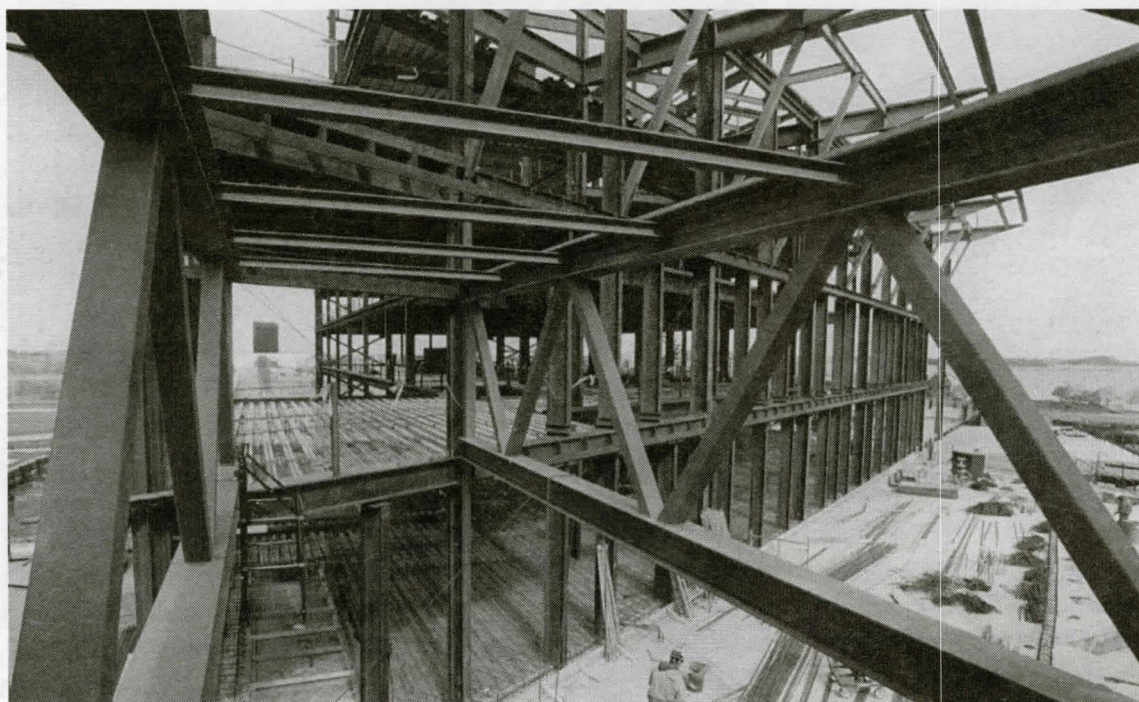
For more than 30 years Stone has been involved in research, policy analysis, program development, technical assistance, and advocacy on housing, living standards, and participatory planning.

Chancellor Connects at Alumni Executive Breakfasts



Chancellor Gora met with UMass Boston alumni business executives and leaders in Greater Boston at a series of breakfasts held throughout the semester. The events gave alumni a chance to network with each other, meet and greet the new chancellor, and check out the new Campus Center via photos and video. The Honorable Sally A. Kelly '73, an associate justice for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, met the chancellor at the April 3 breakfast. (Photo by Harry Brett)

Topping-Off Ceremony Planned to Celebrate Completion of Campus Center Frame



As seen here on March 25, construction has begun on a new catwalk frame to connect Wheatley Hall to the Campus Center. (Photo by Harry Brett)

By Leigh DuPuy

With the approach of spring, construction of the new 331,000 square-foot Campus Center proceeds easily ahead of schedule. The steel frame, which has been under construction since December 2001, will be completed in early May. Those walking around the university may have noticed the obvious signs of progress, among them the new roof decking now in place, the frame of a new catwalk from Wheatley Hall to the Campus Center, and the work on the new entry drive.

The campus community will celebrate the completion of the

building's frame with Suffolk Construction and the steelworkers with a topping off ceremony on May 9 at 11:00 a.m., which will include placing the last beam on the building and installing a ceremonial pine tree and American flag. Everyone will get a change to sign the beam that morning from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. at the North Lot, adjacent to the construction site.

Throughout the summer, construction will focus on the building envelope. The activities will vary from laying brick to placing windows and adding exterior limestone.

Those interested in monitoring additions can visit the campus center web cam site, which features still shots of construction that are updated every two minutes. The site also includes the architect's rendering of the finished building and a virtual tour of the building's interior rooms, hallways, and function rooms. These images offer a realistic preview of the campus center's interiors, views, and facilities. Check out the latest developments: www.umb.edu/about_umb/campus_center/index.html.

Honorary Degree Recipients (cont.)

Journal of New Writing. In 1982, he founded the Association of Nigerian Writers and later helped develop the Heinemann African Writers Series, which publishes more African writers than any other publishing house.

"At UMass Boston, Chinua Achebe's books are required reading in courses in five different departments, a record not remotely approached by any other writer," says Gora. "His presence at our commencement symbolizes, in the strongest way possible, the importance of an inclusive view of world cultures and the community of nations at time when it is so strongly needed."

Also honored for his achievements, Russell won 11 championships in 13 seasons with the Boston Celtics and coached the team to two of those championships. Named the "Twentieth Century's Greatest Champion" by *Sports Illustrated*, Russell is the subject of an HBO documentary. "Bill Russell needs no introduction for most Bostonians," says Gora. "We admire his ability as a basketball player, coach, and announcer as well as the post-basketball career that he has forged with his business inter-

ests, his current book, his speaking engagements, and the role that he plays in the public life of Boston."

Throughout his career, success has followed Russell. In high school, he played all-state. In college, he played for the University of San Francisco, and the team won National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) titles in 1955 and 1956. He played on the gold-medal-winning U.S. team at the Olympics. In 1966, he became a player-coach for the Celtics, the first black head coach in major league professional sports, and won two more championships before he retired in 1969.

He scored more than 14,000 points in his career and was voted the NBA's most valuable player in 1958, 1961, 1962, 1963, and 1965. He became a television sports announcer and later coached the Seattle SuperSonics and the Sacramento Kings. He remains a presence on the Boston scene as an author and restaurant owner, doing public relations work for the Celtics, and lecturing on his book *Russell Rules: 11 Lessons on Leadership from the Twentieth Century's Greatest Winner*.

2002 Gubernatorial Candidates' Forum of Issues of Concern to Women

May 9
Lipke Auditorium
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Watch the Exclusive
Broadcast on Channel 3
AT&T Broadband

Co-hosted by the Center for
Women in Politics and Public Policy,
the Chancellor's Office, and
over 20 women's and
student organizations.

Watch for posters around campus
with more details or visit
www.mccormack.umb.edu/cwppp.

Moving Ahead with PeopleSoft Student Administration

By Leanne Marden

In December of 2001, the first component of the PeopleSoft Student Administration System, the student recruiting module, was successfully implemented at the Boston, Dartmouth, and Lowell campuses. In the first week alone, 2,030 new student prospects were entered in the system across the three campuses, via direct data entry, web-based inquiries, SAT, and GRE tape loads.

With this effort behind them, the multi-campus project team shifted its focus to the next component, student admissions. The admissions module will be ready for use in late summer or early fall of this year and will be implemented in a new version of PeopleSoft, version 8.0, that is

completely web-based.

A key benefit of the new module is its integration with the recruiting module. With the new system, information about prospective students, including biographic and demographic data, will be automatically car-

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ried forward to the admissions module once a student is admitted to UMass Boston. The admissions module also will contain a web-based application for both undergraduate and graduate students, from which information will be automatically loaded into the system. Another

feature that will benefit the campus is the ability to track and manage events, like orientation, within the system and to record comments electronically.

Between now and late summer, team members will work hard to prepare the system for the campus and vice versa. To prepare, work is underway on conversion programs, interfaces, system testing, and development of reports and training materials, to name a few of the activities. In a few months, campus users will become prepared during informational workshops and 'hands-on' training classes.

For more information on the multi-campus Student Administration Systems project, visit sso.umassmed.edu/isis.

CAMPUS NOTES

PRESENTATIONS, CONFERENCES, AND LECTURES

Randy Albelda, director of the Public Policy Ph.D. Program and professor of economics, was a featured speaker and discussed "Women, Work, and Wages" at the YWCA Boston Public Forum Series.

Yung-Ping Chen, holder of the Frank J. Manning Eminent Scholar's Chair in Gerontology, made presentations titled "Social Security Improvements for Women, Seniors, and Working Americans" and "Broken and Unsustainable: The Cost Crisis of Long-Term Care for Baby Boomers" at congressional hearings in April.

Elizabeth Dunn, outreach counselor for Project REACH, completed the New England Educational Opportunity Association's yearlong Leadership Institute. She was part of a presentation by the 2001 institute participants focused on dimensions of leadership.

In March, **Avery Faigenbaum**, assistant professor in the Department of Exercise Science and Physical Education, presented a series of lectures on strength and power development for young athletes at Sacred Heart University in Puerto Rico.

Irving Gershenberg, professor emeritus of economics, delivered the paper "The Managerial Imperative In Transition Economies: Poland" at the 2002 International Applied Business Research Conference held in Mexico on March 15.

Alberto Giordano of the Department of Earth and Geographic Sciences presented a paper titled "A Narrative of a Massachusetts Waterfront. Or, The Case for (Multimedia) GIS in Historical Geography" and chaired the session on "Multimedia and GIS" at the annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers, held in Los Angeles from March 19 through 23.

Joel Grossman, coordinator of the Health Promotion Program of University Health Services, presented a seminar, "Here and Now: The Joys of Mindfulness and Common Sense," on March 13 at Brandeis University.

Carol Hardy-Fanta, director of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy, was a featured speaker at the YMCA of Greater Boston's public forum on women's economic empowerment. Hardy-Fanta discussed the economic and social contributions of women's unpaid work.

Stephanie Hartwell and **James Willis**, assistant professors in the Department of Sociology, both had reviews published in the March 2002 edition of *Contemporary Sociology*.

Professor **Peter Kiang**, professor in the Graduate College of Education and director of the Asian American Studies Program, delivered the keynote address, "Trauma and Healing in Asian American Studies: Connecting Southeast Asian Refugees and Asian American Vietnam Veterans," for Wesleyan University's Asian Awareness Month in April.

In April, Assistant Professor of English **Lovalerie King** spoke at a panel on George Moses Horton's *Animal Poems* at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Mari E. Koerner of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction presented the symposium "What Makes a 'Good' Student Teaching Placement? Learning Lessons from a Multi-year/Multi-site Set of Research Studies" at the American Educational Research Association, held April 2 through 5.

Liliana Mickle was the keynote speaker at the Alliance for Young Families "Young Families Moving Forward Awards" held on May 8.

Professor **Siamak Movahedi** of the Sociology Department presented a paper on dreams at the 22nd annual spring meeting of the American Psychological Association, Division of Psychoanalysis, held in New York City on April 12.

Susan Opotow, associate professor in the Graduate Program in Dispute Resolution, presented the Fifth Annual Uriel Foa Memorial Lecture, "The Psychology of Injustice," at Temple University on April 5.

Alexia Pollack, assistant professor of biology, presented a seminar, "Pharmacology of Sensitization in a Rat Model of Parkinson's Disease" for the Neuroscience and Behavior Program at the UMass Amherst on April 11.

Professor **Marc Prou** of the Africana Studies Department presented "How is the Haitian American Community Faring in the US Educational System?" at the National Conference of NCHR held in Miami on April 12 through 14.

Jennifer Radden of the Philosophy Department appeared at the Boston University Colloquium for the Philosophy of Science: Between Philosophy and Psychiatry speaking on "Persecutory Paranoid Delusion: A Philosophical Evaluation of Subjectivity and Propositional Content."

Rachel Rubin of the American Studies Program was an invited speaker at the "Langston Hughes and His World: A Centennial Celebration" conference, which was held at Yale University. Her paper, "The Darker Brother and the Cracker Boy: Langston Hughes and Don West," was part of a panel discussion on Hughes and radical politics.

Nina Silverstein, associate professor of gerontology, presented "Maximizing Safety for Persons with Dementia: Strategies to Prevent Wandering and Getting Lost" at a meeting of the American Society on Aging held on April 5 in Denver.

PUBLICATIONS

Gonzalo Bacigalupe, assistant professor in the Graduate College of Education, published "Latino Child Sexual Abuse Survivors in the United States: Relational Assessment and Intervention" in *Revista Psykhe*.

Lilia I. Bartolome published the chapter "Creating an Equal Playing Field: Teachers as Advocates, Cultural Border Crossers, and Cultural Brokers" in Z. F. Beykont's *The Power of Culture: Teaching Across Language Differences*.

Jacqueline Fawcett, professor in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, recently published "The Nurse Theorists: 21st Century Updates – Madeline W. Leininger" in *Nursing Science Quarterly*.

Elizabeth Fay, associate professor of English, has published *Romantic Medievalism: History and the Romantic Literary Ideal* with St. Martin's Press.

Jody Hall of the Curriculum and Instruction Department in the Graduate College of Education published "From Susan Isaacs to Lillian Weber and Deborah Meier: A Progressive Legacy in England and the United States" in *Founding Mothers and Others: Women Educational Leaders During the Progressive Era*, edited by Alan Sadovnik and Susan Semel.

Fire Logic, a novel by lecturer in English **Laurie Marks**, was published recently by Tor Books.

Sherry Penney, professor of leadership in the College of Management, published an article with a colleague, John Erickson, in the March/April issue of *Trusteeship* entitled "An Accreditation Team Tightens Up."

Nina Silverstein of the Gerontology Institute and Terri Salmons Tobin, an alumna of the Gerontology Ph.D. Program, co-wrote *Dementia and Wandering Behavior: Concern for the Lost Elder*, which was recently published by Springer Publishing Co.

Shirley Tang of American Studies and Asian American Studies completed *Community Development as Public Health/Public Health as Community Development: A Report on HIV/AIDS Needs Assessment in Lowell, MA*, published by the Massachusetts Asian AIDS Prevention Project.

EXHIBITS, READINGS, PERFORMANCES

Jon Mitchell of the Music Department was the guest conductor of the Keweenaw Symphony Orchestra in Houghton, Michigan, on April 27 and 28.

The Communication and Theatre Arts Division's mainstage production *The Poor House*, by Professor Emeritus **Louis E. Roberts**, directed by Professor **Diane Almeida**, opened on April 26 at UMass Boston.

APPOINTMENTS AND HONORS

Rockhurst University, Kansas City, presented English Professor **Robert Crossley** with the 2002 St. Thomas More Academy of Scholars Award in recognition of his career-long scholarly research. Crossley received his B.A. in English and Classics from Rockhurst in 1967.

Professor **William Hagar** of the Biology Department has been selected as a Fulbright scholar. He will spend spring semester of 2003 in New Brunswick, Canada, studying acid rain and environmental decay.

Professor **Philip Hart**, director of the Trotter Institute, will be a guest of the Lindbergh Family on May 21 at the Smithsonian Institution National Air and Space Museum on the 75th anniversary of Charles Lindbergh's trans-Atlantic flight in the *Spirit of St. Louis*.

Peter Ittig, associate professor of management science and information systems, has been appointed a feature editor at *Decision Line*, a publication of the Decision Science Institute.

Adaline Mirabal, director of the Urban Scholars Program, completed her tenure as president of the New England Educational Opportunity Association. She presented **Joan Becker**, associate vice provost for academic support services, with the President's Award on April 9.

Theresa Mortimer, vice provost for academic support services, was awarded the Walter S. Bittner Citation for Outstanding Service at the University Continuing Education Association's Annual Conference in Toronto on April 19.

Laurel E. Radwin, assistant professor in the Department of Adult and Gerontological Nursing, has been appointed as a reviewer for *Research in Nursing & Health*.

Lloyd Schwartz of the English Department was invited by Harvard University's Signet Society to be "the Poet" at its annual awards dinner to honor Andre Bishop, founder of the Playwright's Horizon in New York, on April 27.

Gary Siperstein, director of the Center for Social Development and Education, was recently elected vice-president of the Division of Research for the Council of Exceptional Children. In 2003, Siperstein will assume the presidency.

John Warner, professor of chemistry, was elected "Distinguished Chemist of the Year" by the New England Institute of Chemists (NEIC). NEIC is an organization devoted to increasing the appreciation and awareness of chemistry teachers. The award was presented to Warner on April 25 at Boston College.

GRANTS AND RESEARCH

The Center for Social Policy was recently awarded a highly competitive grant of \$35,000 from the Boston Foundation through its New Economy Initiative which focuses on nonprofit capacity building.

The Center for Social Policy was also awarded a \$20,000 grant from the Gund Foundation to fund a summer program at UMass Boston that will build connections between the "Give Us Your Poor Documentary" film project led by **John McGah** and faculty in the Graduate College of Education.

The Department of Hispanic Studies, in partnership with the Boston Public Schools and the Spanish Resource Center at UMass Boston, has been awarded a grant of \$30,000 by the Massachusetts Department of Education to develop a content institute to assist secondary teachers of Spanish in developing teaching materials.

IN THE NEWS

Peter Janson of the Music Department was featured in the *Taunton Daily Gazette* on March 21 in a review of his latest recording, *Sometimes From Here*.

Carol Hardy-Fanta, director of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy, was quoted in the *Christian Science Monitor* on Jane Swift's dropping out of the Governor's race on March 21. She was also interviewed that week on *Radio Business 1060* and quoted in the *Springfield Union News*.

The English Department's **Askold Melnyczuk**, who will take over as director of the university's Creative Writing Program in September, was the subject of a *Boston Globe* story on April 14 celebrating his work in creating and editing the international literary journal *Agni*.

John Warner and the Green Chemistry Program at UMass Boston were featured in the April 22 issue of *Chemical & Engineering News*.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

The Calendar of Events is published monthly by the Office of University Communications. All events are open to the public and free, unless otherwise noted. From off campus, dial (617) 287 and the last four digits listed below each calendar event.

See the "What's Happening @UMB" column and the News page at www.umb.edu for Calendar of Event listings for June, July, and August.

WEDNESDAY 1

Initiatives in Urban Family Health: Advances in Nursing Care of the Patient with Diabetes Conference
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Massachusetts Archives, 100 Morrissey Blvd. Contact: 7-7520.

Holistic Health Fair
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, 1st fl. Hallway. Seminars on chiropractic, massage, acupuncture, meditation, etc. Sponsored by the Health Promotion Program of University Health Services. Contact: 7-5685.

Environmental, Coastal, and Ocean Sciences Department Seminar: Can Soil Stop Global Warming?
2:30 – 2:45 p.m., Science Center, Small Science Auditorium, 1-006. Featuring Kevin Harrison of Boston College. Contact: 7-7440.

Musical Showcase on the Plaza
2:30 p.m., Plaza. Featuring James McKenna, UMass Boston music major and folk-singer. Contact: 7-6981.

College of Management Distinguished Faculty Award Reception: Donald F. Shephard
3:00 – 4:30 p.m., McCormack Hall, CM Dean's Conference Room, 5th fl. Contact: 7-7734.

Women's Studies Alumnae Speak
4:00 – 6:30 p.m., McCormack Hall, 2- 417. Alumnae to discuss how women's studies have impacted their lives and careers. Contact: 7-6780.

THURSDAY 2

Casa Latina Spring Fest 2002
12:00 – 6:00 p.m., Wheatley Plaza. Featuring live music, dance, food, and entertainment. Free to all. Contact: 7-7945.

Meet the Candidate for Governor: Robert Reich
1:00 – 2:30 p.m., Florian Hall, 55 Hallet St., Dorchester. Sponsored by the Gerontology Institute. Contact: 7-7308.

FRIDAY 3

Lunch Reception with George J. Sanchez
12:00 – 2:00 p.m., Wheatley Hall, Student Lounge, 4th fl. Featuring author of *Becoming Mexican American: Ethnicity, Culture, and Identity in Chicano Los Angeles, 1900 – 45*. Sponsored by the GSA, the American Studies Roundtable, and the American Studies Program. Contact: 7-6770.

Biology Department Seminar: Analysis of Arabidopsis Circadian Clocks

2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Science Center, 2-006. Featuring Professor Rob McClung, UMass Dartmouth. Contact: 7-6600.

Senior Recital: Caitlin Hesketh, piano
7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Wheatley Hall, Snowden Auditorium, 1-088. Open to the public. Contact: 7-6980.

SATURDAY 4

Biology Department Special Symposium: Climate Change and Diversity
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Science Center, Lipke Auditorium, 2nd fl. Featuring Raymond Bradley of UMass Amherst, Nalini Nadkarni of Evergreen State College, Jordan West of EPA Science, David Wolfe of Cornell University, William Moomaw of Tufts University, and Peter Frumhoff of UMass Boston. RSVP by May 3. Contact: 7-6600.

MONDAY 6

Gerontology Institute Lecture Series: Dementia and Wandering: A Deadly Mix
1:00 – 2:15 p.m., Wheatley Hall, 4-147-2. Featuring Nina Silverstein of the Gerontology Center. Contact: 7-7308.

TUESDAY 7

College of Management Distinguished Executive Award Luncheon
12:00 p.m., Maison Robert, 45 School Street, Boston. Honoring Lawrence K. Fish, Chairman, President and CEO Citizens Financial Group Inc. Tickets: \$60.00 each, \$1000.00 table. Contact: 7-7734.

7th Annual Faculty Appreciation Dinner
5:30 – 8:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, Ryan Lounge, 3rd fl. Contact: Joyce Morgan, 7-7950.

Celebrate Dorchester Author Series: Reading by Lloyd Schwartz
7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Strong Cup of Coffee, 112 Stoughton Street, Dorchester. Contact Dorchester Center for Adult Education, (617) 454-1170.

WEDNESDAY 8

Environmental, Coastal, and Ocean Sciences Department Seminar: Novel Methods for Establishing and Evaluating Sediment Quality Guidelines in Marine Ecosystems
2:30 – 2:45 p.m., Science Center, Small Science Auditorium, 1-006. Featuring James Shine of Harvard School of Public Health. Contact: 7-7440.

Musical Showcase on the Plaza
2:30 p.m., Plaza. Featuring UMass Boston Chamber Singers. Contact: 7-6981.

THURSDAY 9

Bernard A. Stotsky Lecture Series: The New Urgency of Religious Reform: Learning from the Church and the Jews
2:30 – 4:00 p.m., Quinn Administration Building, Chancellor's Conference Room, 3rd fl. Featuring James Carroll, author of *Constantine's Sword: The Church and the Jews: A History*. Hosted by McCormack Institute. Contact: 7-5550.

2002 Gubernatorial Candidates Forum on Issues of Concern to Women
6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Science Center, Lipke Auditorium, 2nd fl. Sponsored by McCormack Institute, Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy, Chancellor's Office. Contact 7-5550.

FRIDAY 10

Biology Department Seminar: Killer Ig-like Receptors of Old World Monkeys
2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Science Center, 2-006. Featuring Professor Karen Hershberger, Harvard University. Contact: 7-6600.

5th Annual McNair Symposium
2:30 – 5:30 p.m., Healey Library, Lower Level, Media Auditorium. Contact: 7-5780.

Unity Awards Banquet
7:00 – 10:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, Ryan Lounge, 3rd fl. Semi-formal featuring live jazz, dragon dancers, poetry, and Latin singers. RSVP to the Black Student Center by May 3. Contact: 7-7982.

University Chamber Orchestra
7:30 – 9:30 p.m., Marsh Chapel, Boston University, 735 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston. Featuring Linnea Bardarson, Jon Ceander Mitchell, and Jeffrey Bell-Hanson, guest conductor. Suggested donation: students \$5 and seniors \$3. Contact: 7-6980.

SATURDAY 11

22nd Annual Conference on New England Archaeology: Materializing Anthropology: In Memory of Barbara Luedtke
9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Wheatley Hall, Snowden Auditorium, presentations. 12:00 – 1:00 p.m., Lunch. 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. Thompson Island archaeology tours. Preregistration: \$12. On-site registration: 10. Contact: 7-6854.

University Jazz Band Concert and Reception
7:30 – 9:00 p.m., Wheatley Hall, Snowden Auditorium, 1-088. Suggested donation: students \$5 and seniors \$3. Contact: 7-6980.

TUESDAY 14

Finding and Interviewing Job Candidates with Disabilities
8:30 – 11:30 a.m., MIT Stratton Student Center, 84 Massachusetts Ave., 3rd Floor, Cambridge. Sponsored by the Cambridge Commission for Persons with Disabilities and WorkTech Solutions, a project of the Institute for Community Inclusion at UMass Boston. Pre-registration is required. Contact: (617) 355-5371.

WEDNESDAY 15

Art/Talks - Ken Hruby : Minefields of Memory
1:00 – 2:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, Harbor Art Gallery, 1st fl. Co-sponsored by Arts on the Point, the UMass Boston art faculty and the Harbor Gallery. Contact: 7-5347.

Musical Showcase on the Plaza
2:30 p.m., Plaza. Featuring The Chester Brezniak Quartet, a professional jazz group headed by UMass Boston clarinet instructor Chester Brezniak. Contact: 7-6981.

Spring semester classes end.

THURSDAY 16

Voice Division Recital
7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Wheatley Hall, Snowden Auditorium, 1-088. Featuring vocal students of Professors Marilyn Bulli, Suzanne Ehly, David Giessow. Contact: 7-6980.

FRIDAY 17

Dance Theatre Workshop: Dance Concert
8:00 – 11:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, Theatre, 2nd fl. Featuring original work choreographed by faculty and students. Also on May 18. Contact 7-5645.

SUNDAY 19

Creative Tributes to Delores Gallo
1:30 – 4:30 p.m., Healey Library, Provost's Conference Room, 8th fl. Colleagues and former students welcome. Contact: 7-6520.

TUESDAY 21

Supervising Employees with Disabilities: Productive Management Strategies and Tools for All Staff
8:30 – 11:30 a.m., MIT Stratton Student Center, 84 Massachusetts Ave., 3rd Floor, Cambridge. Sponsored by the Cambridge Commission for Persons with Disabilities and WorkTech Solutions, a project of the Institute for Community Inclusion at UMass Boston. Pre-registration is required. Contact: (617) 355-5371.

Celebrate Dorchester Author Series: Reading by Lawrence Blum
7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Codman Square Technology Center, 450 Washington Street, Dorchester. Contact Dorchester Center for Adult Education, (617) 454-1170.

WEDNESDAY 22

Celebrate Dorchester Author Series: Reading by Julie Winch
7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Shirley Eustis House, 33 Shirley Street, Dorchester. Contact Dorchester Center for Adult Education, (617) 454-1170.

THURSDAY 23

"Give Us Your Poor: Homelessness and the United States" Film and Education Project Fundraiser
6:00 – 10:00 p.m., Jesuit Urban Center, 775 Harrison Avenue, Boston. Featuring comedian Jimmy Tingle, Hubie Jones, and performance by Julia Tripp and the AdvoCats. Co-chaired by Mayor Menino and Marvin Gilmore. Sit-down dinner, live and silent auction. Contact: McCormack Institute, 7-5550.

MONDAY 27

Memorial Day Holiday

TUESDAY 28

12th Annual McNair Program Graduation Ceremony/Dinner
6:00 – 10:00 p.m., John F. Kennedy Library, Smith Hall. In recognition of the Graduating McNair Fellows. Contact: 7-5780.

WEDNESDAY 29

Musical Showcase on the Plaza
2:30 p.m., Plaza. Featuring Blown Fuse, professional fusion group headed by Steve Hunt. Contact: 7-6981.

THURSDAY 30

Celebrate Dorchester Author Series: Reading by Michael Chesson
7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Shirley Eustis House, 33 Shirley Street, Dorchester. Contact Dorchester Center for Adult Education, (617) 454-1170.

FRIDAY 31

Honorary Degree Dinner
5:30 – 9:00 p.m., Healey Library, University Club, 11th Fl. Honorary degree recipients Chinua Achebe and Bill Russell to be recognized for their achievements. By invitation only.

UPCOMING

16th Annual Golf Classic
Monday, June 17. 8:00 a.m., Franklin Park Golf Course. One Circuit Drive, Dorchester. UMass Boston alumni, students, administrators, faculty, and supporters are invited to participate. Hosted by the Athletics Department. Contact: David Marsters, 7-7802 or Luke Griffin, 7-7804.

17th Annual Massachusetts Education Computing Conference 2002
June 5 – 7. Cape Cod Community College. Open to faculty and staff in public and private higher education. Register online today at www.cite.mass.edu/mecc.