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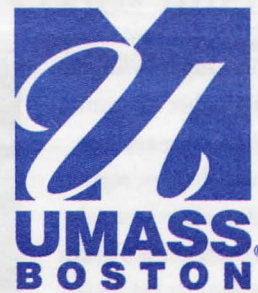
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# THE UNIVERSITY Reporter

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## Motley Brings Enthusiasm and Vision as New Interim Chancellor

By Anne-Marie Kent

A little over a year ago, when J. Keith Motley arrived on campus as vice chancellor for student affairs, he brought with him a host of new ideas and enthusiasm. Since then, he has galvanized student life on campus, instituted the Fest-of-Us tradition, chaired the Campus Center Opening and the Urban Mission Committees, and helped smooth the transition of student groups into the Campus Center.

On July 12, he made a transition of his own. That day members of the university community, as well as the community at large, crowded into the Alumni Room of the Campus Center as University of Massachusetts President Jack Wilson announced Keith Motley as his choice for interim



Chancellor Motley was surrounded by family, friends, and members of the university community when he made an emotional acceptance of the position of interim chancellor. (Photo by Harry Brett).

chancellor of UMass Boston.

"Keith Motley brings vision, experience, energy, and enthusiasm to this position. I know that Dr. Motley will provide strong leadership during this transitional period," President Wilson told the overflow crowd.

Flanked by his children and cheered on by his wife, Dr. Motley stressed the significance of the day. "It is an honor to be appointed interim Chancellor of UMass Boston. It is an equal privilege to be the first person of color to lead this great campus, which is the most diverse public university in New England. I have dedicated my career to serving students in higher education, so this chance to advance the urban mission of UMass Boston is a personally re-

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## Campus Plays Host Site for Democratic National Convention's "Pops on the Bay" Concert



Singer-songwriter James Taylor played for a crowd of more than 12,500 with backup by a John Williams-led Boston Pops at UMass Boston on July 29. (Photo by Richard Howard)

By Ed Hayward

The national political spotlight shone brightly on UMass Boston July 29 when Democratic presidential nominee John F. Kerry and running mate John Edwards joined an estimated crowd of 12,500 people at the "Pops on the Bay" concert and fireworks display that closed out the Democratic National Convention.

Senators Kerry and Edwards arrived shortly after midnight for the finale to a concert that featured the renowned Boston Pops orchestra, as well as a set by legendary singer James Taylor. The event was billed as a "thank-you" to Boston-area residents following the four-day Democratic National Convention. As conductor emeritus John Williams and the Pops

closed out their performance with the "1812 Overture," fireworks were launched from three barges anchored in Dorchester Bay.

The concert and fireworks, sponsored by the University of Massachusetts and convention organizers at Boston 2004, marked the close to a busy week that saw an estimated 22,000 people use the Dorchester campus for convention-related purposes.

"This week has given us the chance to let this beautiful waterfront campus shine ... and shine it has," Interim Chancellor J. Keith Motley told guests at a Campus Center ballroom reception prior to the concert. "Tonight, once again, people have a chance to see UMass Boston, which we can

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UMass Boston was named one of the top colleges and universities in the Northeast by The Princeton Review's Best Colleges: Region by Region.

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# “Pops on the Bay” Concert Comes to UMass Boston

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safely say is no longer a hidden gem in the city’s higher education marketplace.”

The fireworks display, reportedly the largest ever in a city known for its trademark Fourth of July celebration, ended a star-studded evening at the waterfront campus. Taylor performed to the delight of a crowd enjoying a temperate summer evening under a full moon. The pop group Tavares opened the concert.

Kerry’s acceptance speech at the Fleet Center was broadcast live on large video screens on either side of the stage, which was set in the circular lawn in front of the new UMass Boston Campus Center.

For the second time in four years, UMass Boston staged a national media event. In 2000, the campus hosted the first presidential debate between President George Bush and then Vice President Al Gore. Drawing on prior production experience, staffers from all major university departments teamed with Boston 2004 and the UMass President’s Office to produce the concert with fewer than two weeks to prepare.

In addition to the concert, the campus hosted the Boston Social Forum, which drew an estimated 3,000 to 4,000 people from July 22 through 24. Throughout the week, the Boston Police Department used the campus as a staging area for thousands of officers deployed throughout the city for



*Left: James R. Julian, UMass executive vice president, Maureen Feeney, Boston city councilor, and her husband Lawrence share a laugh at the VIP reception hosted by the UMass President’s Office and held in the Campus Center ballroom.*

*Right: John Kerry stopped by the concert following his speech at the Democratic National Convention with his wife Teresa Heinz Kerry, running mate John Edwards, and Edwards’s wife Elizabeth.*

*Center: Concertgoers chat while awaiting performances. (Photos by Richard Howard)*

the convention. On Sunday, July 25, Boston 2004 welcomed the North Carolina delegates with a party in the Campus Center. On Tuesday, July 27, the Campus Center was once again on display, hosting a Democratic Governors’ Association forum and clambake.

The university worked with a number of community organizations to distribute many of the 20,000 tickets available for the

concert. The threat of thunderstorms forced the postponement of the concert from July 28 to the following night. Many ticket holders arrived via the Red Line, while others chose to drive to campus. Tight security—which included U.S. Secret Service, dozens of public safety officers, and tactical teams perched on rooftops—required visitors to park at Boston College High School.

Nearly 500 people, including members of Dorchester community groups, attended a reception hosted by the UMass President’s Office in the Campus Center ballroom.

“The location and the views are spectacular,” Michael Mackan, president of the Dorchester Day Parade and a member of the Lower Mills Civic Association, said at the reception. “The food is great. It’s just nice to share time like this with

my friends and neighbors who are here tonight.”

Distinguished guests at the reception included UMass President Jack M. Wilson, former presidents William M. Bulger and Robert C. Wood, Senate President Robert Travaglini, new trustee chairman James J. Karam, trustees William Giblein and William Kennedy, Boston City Councilor Maureen Feeney, State Representative Martin Walsh, and State Senator Mark Montigny.

“The staff from the university deserves special recognition for their professionalism and skills putting together the key elements that allowed the ‘Pops on the Bay’ concert to happen,” said Motley. “Thanks to a superb team effort, thousands of people came to our campus, enjoyed our spectacular location, saw a great show, and witnessed an historic moment for the city and the nation.”

## Are You on The Map?

If you connect to the community through your UMass Boston teaching, research or service, we want to hear from you. To promote our Urban Mission Coordinating Committee and our HUD COPC grant, we are launching an initiative to inventory our community-related activities, create a Community Resource Center, and to assess efforts in implementing the university’s urban mission. We will ask faculty and staff to tell us where and how they work with communities. The answers will help us develop a digital map of UMass /community connections that will be unveiled at a mini-fair on **October 22, 12:00 – 4:00 p.m.** For more information, please contact [joan.arches@umb.edu](mailto:joan.arches@umb.edu) or [john.ciccarelli@umb.edu](mailto:john.ciccarelli@umb.edu). Be sure to look for us on [www.umb.edu](http://www.umb.edu) soon!

## Interim Chancellor (cont.)

warding opportunity,” he said. “I appreciate the expression of confidence that I have received from President Wilson and look forward to working with the president, with the trustees, and with all the other members of the UMass community.

“Having served as the vice chancellor for student affairs during the past year, I foresee a smooth transition where we keep our focus on the very important work going on at UMass Boston,” said the new chancellor. “This entire campus is working to increase research funding, better serve every student, and enhance its reputation locally and nationally. Working together, we will complete our strategic plan and our accreditation self-study for the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.”

“During the weeks leading up to this appointment,” said President Wilson, “I have made many visits to the Boston campus and had hundreds of telephone and e-mail communications with members of the UMass Boston community. What shines through all of those communications is the UMass Boston commitment—a passionate commitment to serve our students, our community, and our Commonwealth. It is clear that Keith Motley shares that commitment and brings an abundance of passion to this task.”

President Wilson added: “The land-grant-university mission comes to life in a particularly vivid way at UMass Boston, and it is a mission of bringing higher education to the people, and in so do-

ing, touching and enriching countless lives. UMass Boston will continue to develop its academic and research excellence, while still remaining mindful of its urban-mission roots. I look forward to working with the UMass Boston community in the months and years that lie ahead.”

President Wilson said Interim Chancellor Motley will work with Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor Paul Fonteyn as they lead the campus through the upcoming accreditation process and continue to make progress on research- and curriculum-development.

Prior to arriving at UMass Boston, Dr. Motley held a variety of student-service positions at Northeastern University, including dean of student services, as-

sociate dean/director of the John D. O’Bryant African-American Institute, and assistant dean/director of the office of minority student affairs. Dr. Motley is the founder of the Roxbury Preparatory Charter School and chairs the school’s board of trustees and also serves as chairman of the board of trustees of Newbury College in Brookline. He holds bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Northeastern University and a doctorate from Boston College.

Motley officially began work on August 1, after Jo Ann Gora departed to become president of Ball State University. In September, President Wilson will appoint a search committee to conduct a national search for a permanent chancellor.

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# UMass Boston Partnership Brings Experience Dorchester to Visitors

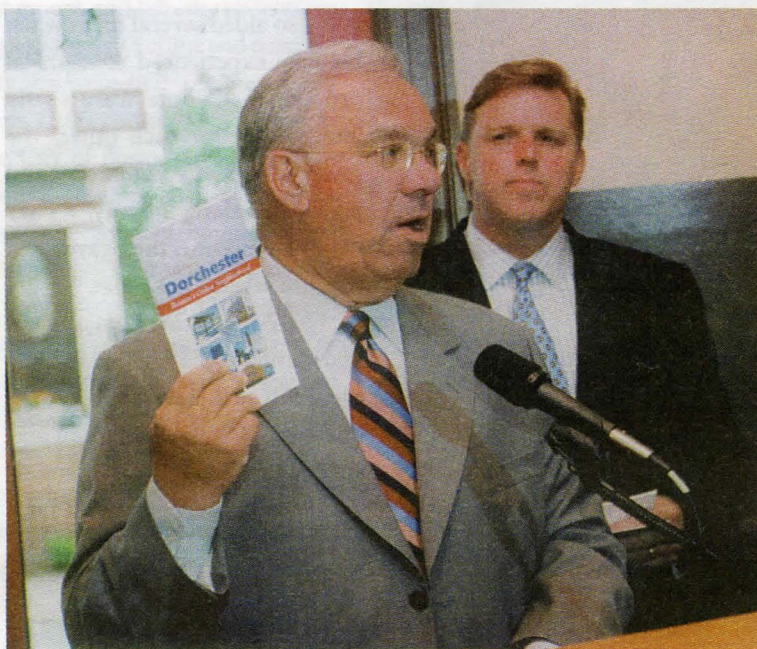
By Ed Hayward

Days before the Democratic National Convention came to Boston, Mayor Thomas M. Menino unveiled *Experience Dorchester*, a primer on local businesses and attractions published by UMass Boston and the Dorchester Board of Trade.

*Experience Dorchester*, the first marketing publication produced by a Boston neighborhood, was distributed in downtown hotels and visitor kiosks. The first edition was produced in time for the convention, but organizers expect to use future editions of the guide to draw annual visitors to Dorchester. The book is the result of a collaboration between UMass Boston's Office of University Communications and Community Relations, State Senator Jack Hart, and the Dorchester Board of Trade.

"This partnership between UMass Boston and the Dorchester community has produced *Experience Dorchester*, which is a great way to market what this particular neighborhood has to offer. It's a great idea," Mayor Menino said, speaking at a news conference at C.F. Donovan's Restaurant on Savin Hill on July 15.

There are estimated to be more than 2,000 businesses in Dorchester, the city's most diverse neighborhood. Retail and service outlets along Dorchester Avenue, the neighborhood's renowned Irish



At a July 15 press conference held at C.F. Donovan's, Mayor Menino unveiled a copy of *Experience Dorchester*, a new guide to Dorchester businesses, community organizations, and the history of the neighborhood, while Senator Jack Hart looks on. (Photo by Harry Brett)

pubs, a burgeoning Vietnamese American community, as well as large institutions such as UMass Boston and the John F. Kennedy Presidential Museum and Library comprise a vibrant commercial sector.

"We have so much to offer people," said Pat Foley, director of the Dorchester Board of Trade. "There are 2,400 businesses in Dorchester and growing. Everyone was really enthusiastic about this project and it rolled out perfectly." The Dorchester Board of Trade dates back to 1911 and boasts an active membership list

of more than 200 businesses, according to Foley.

"Strong businesses help build a strong community," said State Senator Jack Hart of the project.

The 56-page booklet offers a description of Dorchester history, its primary attractions, and ads for nearly 100 businesses in the neighborhood. UMass Boston officials proposed the project as part of the university's community outreach efforts, which focus on building partnerships that benefit the Dorchester neighborhood where the university has made its home since 1974.

# Charlie Titus Named Interim Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

In an August 23 broadcast e-mail, Interim Chancellor Keith Motley announced the appointment of Charlie Titus to interim vice chancellor of student affairs.

Over the past year, Titus has worked closely with Chancellor Motley and the Student Affairs Leadership Team to make tremendous progress toward the goal of creating a division that supports and cultivates a vibrant, engaging, and student-centered campus life that assists the diverse population of UMass Boston in the attainment of academic, career, and personal goals. Titus characterized Motley as a proven leader with strong ties to local communities.

Titus was named UMass Boston's first director of athletics in July 1980, after serving as the university's intercollegiate coordinator for nine months and head coach of the club basketball program for six years. This season would have marked Titus's 30th year in the coaching profession. He has agreed to temporarily postpone this major milestone to serve as vice chancellor.

Titus has always taken a student-centered approach to his work at UMass Boston, and this style was in evidence this past year as he encouraged his staff to reach beyond the borders of the Athletic Department. He

and his staff served on division-wide and university-wide committees such as Fest-of-Us, opening-week activities, the Student Affairs professional development committee, Campus Center opening activities, and, most recently, the highly successful DNC event.

As the Beacons' athletic director, Titus is the chief administrative official for athletics, overseeing an athletic program that includes 14 intercollegiate sports, 7 for men and 7 for women, an extensive intramural program, and numerous recreational activities.

In 1999, Titus was awarded the National Association of Basketball Coaches Outstanding Service Award. Under Titus's leadership, UMass Boston was ranked number one in the nation by the National Consortium for Academics and Sports for outreach and community service through athletics from 1991 through 2002. Still active in youth programs, Titus serves on the board of directors for several organizations, including the Saint Michael's College Board of Trustees and the Urban College of Boston Board of Trustees. Nationally, he is a member of the NCAA Division III Membership Committee. Regionally, in collegiate athletics, Titus has chaired the ECAC New England Division III Basketball Tournament Committee.

# UMass Boston to Host Carter Partnership Award

By Anne-Marie Kent

On September 27, UMass Boston, a campus known for community outreach, will play host to a black-tie event celebrating community outreach in Massachusetts. Rosalynn Carter, wife of former president Jimmy Carter, will take center stage to present the Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Partnership Award for Campus Community collaboration. The event will honor the Carters, celebrate the achievements of the award winner, and recognize a wide array of campus-community initiatives in Massachusetts.

Three finalists for the award have been selected from a group of 21 campus-community partnerships from across the state by a selection committee composed of representatives from higher education, business, government organizations, and community groups throughout Massachusetts and New England. The three finalists are: Wentworth Institute of Technology and the Mission Main Resident Services Corporation (on behalf of the Mission Hill/Fenway Technology Collaborative); the Possible Selves Partnership be-

tween Mount Holyoke College and Girls Incorporated of Holyoke; and the University Park Partnership between Clark University and the Main South Community Development Corporation. These programs represent a wide range of community organizations and campus groups.

Massachusetts is one of four states recently chosen as expansion sites for the Carter Partnership Award, which carries with it a \$10,000 prize for the winning program. The Carter Partnership Award, which recognizes model collaborations between colleges and community groups, is being organized in Massachusetts by the McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies and the Massachusetts Campus Compact, a service organization representing 64 college and university presidents in the Bay State.

"These finalists are great examples of the role public service plays in higher education throughout Massachusetts," said Barbara Canyes, Massachusetts Campus Compact executive director.

# Aspiring Journalists Report on the DNC in MediaNation

By Ed Hayward

Journalists from UMass Boston and the Nieman Foundation at Harvard University teamed up to publish *MediaNation*, a two-page daily newspaper covering the news media and media issues during the Democratic National Convention.

The independent newspaper was published in the *Boston Globe's* convention coverage section from July 26 through 29, and also featured an on-line edition on [www.medianation.umb.edu](http://www.medianation.umb.edu). The unique partnership linked 20 students from UMass Boston's Center on Media and Society and *The Harvard Crimson*.

"I think we offered UMass Boston students a truly unique educational opportunity—one that included an eyewitness view of history in the making, as well as solid work experience," said Ellen Hume, director of the Center on Media

and Society in the McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies. "It was a true newspaper experience and it was also a lot of fun."

The project was conceived by Seth Effron, special projects director for the Nieman Foundation, and he and Hume led the project. Hume, a senior fellow and journalism instructor on campus, is a former *Wall Street Journal* Washington, D.C., correspondent. American Studies professor Mark Schlesinger and other news professionals also supervised reporters and edited the paper.

UMass Boston participants included: Decelia Austrie, Devin Bramhall, Carl Brooks, Nancy Derby, Kristen DeOliveira, Charles Doherty, Gin Dumcius, Janna Goldstein, Genevieve Hendrey, Bree Herne, Jess LeClair, Henry H. Rafael, Carol Ryan, Jonathan Upton, Michelle VanCurler and Linda Wagner. Staffers Eileen

McMahon and Michael Murie also worked on the project.

"The idea of a daily newspaper section produced by students at the Democratic National Convention struck us as a worthy learning project," Nieman Foundation Curator Robert Giles said.

The project received funding from the Christopher Georges Fellowship Fund, which supports an annual in-depth reporting project for members of the Harvard Crimson staff, as well as an annual conference of Ivy League college newspaper editors and reporters, said Giles.

Students began their training in Boston through a series of "boot camps" at UMass Boston. While several reporters worked at the convention site, the center of operations for *MediaNation* was the Nieman Foundation's Walter Lippmann House in Cambridge.



# University Staff Cycle Their Way to Fundraising Goals in the Pan-Mass Challenge

By Leigh DuPuy

If you were out and about the weekend of August 7 and 8, you may have seen some of the 4,000 bicyclists participating in the Pan-Mass Challenge, a fundraising bikathon that raises millions of dollars each year for cancer research and treatment. This year, two of UMass Boston's own, four-year veteran Robert Bobek of the Office of Graduate Studies and first-timer Paul Fonteyn, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, were among the many who helped raise \$17 million for the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute (DFCI)'s Jimmy Fund.

As with the many who participate and sponsor bicyclists, the event is especially meaningful for Bobek. "I lost my father to cancer," says Bobek, a Challenge participant since 2001, "and my sister-in-law, niece, and other members of my wife's family have been touched by it." He believes his niece, who was stricken by brain cancer as a three-year-old, would not be the healthy 19-year-old she



Robert Bobek of the Office of Graduate Studies and Paul Fonteyn, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, stopped to share "road stories" at the first day's finish line along the Pan-Mass Challenge route. (Photo by Marsha Fonteyn)

is today without Dana-Farber's top research and care.

"The event is very special," says Bobek. "It is amazing to see the dedication of so many people. With 4,000 riders, the event really takes on a life of its own."

Fonteyn agrees. While the first to say that he isn't a "mushy" person, he felt a "common esprit" out on the route that left a large

impression on him. "It's inspiring," he said. "You hear different stories along the route of why people are there. Some of the spectators along the route carry signs that say things like 'Thank you, I'm a survivor.'"

He was equally impressed by his fellow bicyclists. "I saw a man riding who had one leg and I couldn't keep up with him. He

passed me on a hill," he says. He was also aided several times when his bike experienced mechanical problems. "People were really looking out for each other," he says of the many volunteers and bike shops along the way. "They were so helpful... they gave me a free tire when I got a flat."

For Bobek, this camaraderie and spirit are the highlight of the event. "It strikes me every year—I'm amazed by the number of bikers and the warmth of the crowds that turn out, cheering you on," he says.

Like the thousands of others who participate, Bobek and Fonteyn logged many miles on their bikes to train for the event. Bobek, who frequently rides during the good-weather months, says he trains from April through July to get ready for the ride. "The better shape you're in, the more fun you'll have," says Bobek, who completed the leg from Sturbridge to Provincetown.

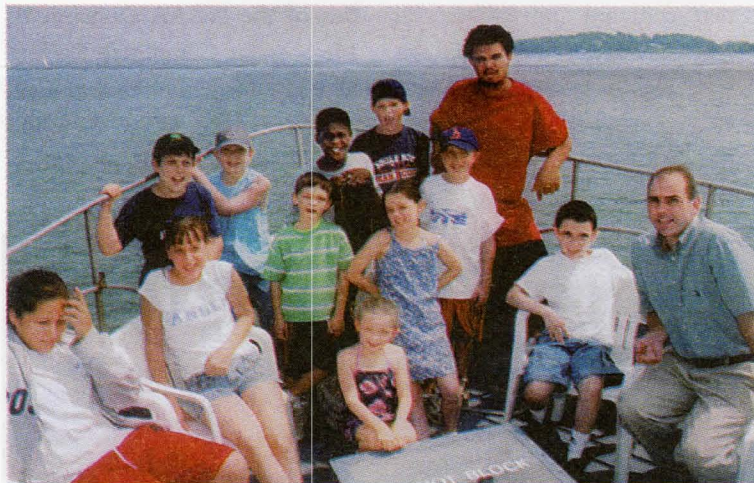
Fonteyn rode on a team from

the DFCI's Phyllis F. Cantor Center, where his wife works. The Cantor Center promotes and conducts research focused on living with and beyond cancer.

Though they both knew the other was participating, Bobek and Fonteyn did not expect to see each other among the 4,000 riders. They began their venture at two different starting points; the Pan Mass Challenge offers varying routes to its participants. However, they met at the finish line after the first day of the ride, and Marsha Fonteyn took a photo to verify they had made it to the finish. At the end of their second day, Bobek had ridden 192 miles from Sturbridge and Fonteyn had ridden 164 miles from Wellesley.

Both would like to participate in the 2005 Challenge and they hope to inspire others from UMass Boston to join them in the ride. For both men, who are enthusiastic cycling hobbyists, the goal is both lofty and fun, challenging and rewarding.

## South Boston Girls and Boys Club Tour the Bay on *The Hurricane*



On July 21, 15 children from the South Boston Boys and Girls Club were treated to a cruise on Dorchester Bay aboard the research vessel *The Hurricane*, captained by Russell Bowles of the Department of Marine Operations. Also on board were Ronnie Millar, club director, Joan Becker, associate vice provost for academic support, and Jack Wiggan, associate director of the Urban Harbors Institute. (Photo by Harry Brett)

## Athletes Return to UMass Boston for Bay State Summer Games



Soccer players have at it on UMass Boston's athletic fields during the 2004 Bay State Summer Games, held from July 8–11. The university was host to competitions in diving, basketball, softball, soccer, tennis, and wrestling, as well as opening ceremonies, which took place in the Clark Athletic Center. (Photo by Harry Brett)

## Center for Social Policy Releases Seminal Study on Homeless Shelters

By Brian Sokol

Approximately 29,000 unaccompanied individuals spent a night in an emergency homeless shelter in 2003, according to a recent report by the Center for Social Policy. The tally represents a 16 percent increase over an estimate of 25,000 issued in 1999. Half of the people using shelter stayed for a week or less, but, over the course of the year, those who stayed for more than two months occupied nearly three-quarters of the beds.

"More individuals are using the homeless shelter system, and this isn't even the whole picture. It doesn't include families, people in specialized shelters, or those on the streets who never make it to a shelter," said Tatjana Meschede,

primary author of the report. According to Meschede, the 1999 estimate included more types of shelters, so the percentage increase also may be greater than these numbers can show.

According to the report, *Hard Numbers, Hard Times: Homeless Individuals in Massachusetts Emergency Shelters, 1999-2003*, nearly 80 percent of individuals using shelters lived in Massachusetts when they first became homeless, and 60 percent of those sheltered in Boston come from the Greater Boston area. Lack of sufficient financial resources is a central problem: sixty percent of those served attributed their homelessness to financial burdens.

In addition, shelter guests' ac-

cess to health insurance appears to have been directly affected by recent cuts to MassHealth. In 2003, 38 percent of shelter guests, almost 11,000 people, had no health insurance. Those over 55 are the fastest-growing-sector of the shelter population and have the most medical needs. Substance abuse and mental health issues were the most frequently reported special needs.

The report uses five years of data from seventeen emergency shelters gathered as part of a statewide homeless management information system, funded by the state as well as the cities of Boston, Cambridge, and other municipalities. Download the full report at [www.csp.umb.edu/massshelter](http://www.csp.umb.edu/massshelter).

## WUMB Hosts Seventh Boston Folk Festival



Join an outdoor extravaganza, September 17–19, featuring the best in traditional acoustic folk, as well as cutting-edge contemporary folk, bluegrass, blues, world music, and more. Enjoy five stages, harbor cruises, kids' music and arts activities area, an outdoor bazaar of craft vendors, an international food court, and Friday-night songwriting contest finals with celebrity judges.

WUMB 91.9 FM, the nation's only full-time folk music radio station, offers a lineup of over 30 artists, including Adrienne Young, voted WUMB's 2003 New Artist of the Year; Dave Bromberg, making his first Boston appearance in more than 15 years; and Dar Williams, one of the most sought-after musicians in the genre today. The festival will also have great Irish music with The Sprigs and Grammy nominee Natalie McMaster. Tickets available online at [www.bostonfolkfestival.org](http://www.bostonfolkfestival.org).



# Student Aids Local Crime Watch Groups in Summer Internship

By Leigh DuPuy

When violence erupted on city streets in early August, Boston mayor Thomas Menino stressed the importance of community vigilance through local neighborhood watch programs. UMass Boston student Stherlie Petit-Frere knows firsthand how integral local crime watches are to community safety. As an intern for the Neighborhood Crime Watch Unit, Petit-Frere spent the summer months helping local groups learn more about successful community policing and celebrate their neighborhood commitments.

"Everybody needs to come together to make a difference," says Petit-Frere. Working with Neighborhood Crime Watch's program director and coordinators, she learned the essentials of successful community policing, crime prevention, and the needs of individual neighborhoods.

"We went to several meetings of crime watches in Mission Park,

Hyde Park, South End, and Grove Hall," she said, "to speak to different groups and refresh residents on issues relating to crime and community involvement." There are more than 1,200 crime watch groups in the City of Boston and each community develops their own crime watch efforts that fit the unique characteristics of their neighborhoods.

The climate has proved especially critical, not only because of a recent spike in street violence but because crime frequently rises in the summer months. "Crime can be aggravated by weather, summer is a time where there are more break-ins and kids hanging around," she says.

A highlight of her internship, Petit-Frere worked on event planning for National Night Out on August 3, an annual event to celebrate the collaboration between neighborhoods and local police de-



*Stherlie Petit-Frere, a criminal justice and sociology major, recently completed a summer internship with Neighborhood Crime Watch Unit, a highly effective community policing program. (Photo by Harry Brett)*

partments with cookouts, gatherings, and events that encourage active community engagement. Among her activities, Petit-Frere helped with the "Salute to the Neighborhoods" poster contest and lunch, where local children receive savings bonds and art kits for their top posters, and she participated in several community events throughout August 3.

A criminal justice and sociology major, Petit-Frere plans to attend law school after graduation, where she hopes to pursue her interests in corporate law. "I like to work with people and really make a difference in people's lives," she says. She pursued the internship through a class with Professor Ed Stearn of the Sociology Department.

UMass Boston is a member of the advisory board for Crime Watch and a sponsor for National Night Out.

## The New Alma Mater

By Mary Oleskiewicz

When I agreed to chair a university committee charged with creating an alma mater, I knew the task would present a formidable challenge: the song had to represent our diverse population yet convey the special mission and history of the campus. We needed many kinds of talent; I turned to Diane Richardson of Alumni Affairs, Thomas O'Grady of English, Larry Kaye of Philosophy, and Lisa Cheney (an alumna in Music), all of whom played key roles.

An alumnus had planted the idea with Chancellor Gora, who had turned the task over to the Faculty Council. An important goal was to create a song with meaningful connections to UMass Boston's past. The melody, an old

Irish tune made famous by 19th-century poet Thomas Moore in his song "The Meeting of the Waters," was used for the alma mater of the State Teachers College at Boston (a predecessor of Boston State College, which in 1982 became part of UMass Boston). I composed a new four-part vocal arrangement and piano accompaniment for it. A State Teachers College assembly song, "The Torch," inspired the symbolism, which we incorporated into the new lyrics, and provided the opening line. The connection between the image of a torch—a symbol of truth and the name of the old college yearbook—and the UMass Boston "Beacon" mascot compelled us to use it as the central idea behind all

three verses. In verse two, "How that glow has burned bright through the passage of years" signifies the many institutions that form UMass Boston's history.

In verse three, "tall ships" refers to events in Boston Harbor during 1992 and 2000, in which ships from all over the world sailed past the campus. John F. Kennedy supported the first tall ships gathering in the 1960s, envisioning an event that would promote international peace. UMass Boston is a beacon in an immigrant city and a point of arrival and departure. The final phrase, "beauty and truth on the shore," is at once an allusion to Keats's famous "Ode on a Grecian Urn" and a celebration of our new campus center.

## To UMass Boston

We beheld, UMass Boston, a torch in your hand,  
Saw a crown on your brow, heard your voice of command  
That we follow the lead of your bold guiding light  
Toward knowledge and wisdom and fervor for right...  
Toward knowledge and wisdom and fervor for right.

How that glow has burned bright through the passage of years  
As our dreams dispelled doubts and our hopes assuaged fears,  
As our eyes watched that gleam with conviction and trust,  
And we learned to place faith in the good and the just...  
And we learned to place faith in the good and the just.

May that torch never dim as life beckons us forth—  
May it shine like a jewel of fathomless worth.  
Like tall ships setting sail may we steer evermore  
By that beacon of beauty and truth on the shore...  
By that beacon of beauty and truth on the shore.

*The score of the alma mater can be seen and heard at [www.umb.edu/commencement/anthem.html](http://www.umb.edu/commencement/anthem.html)*

## Joiner Center's Summer Institute Focuses on Iraq/Afghanistan Conflict

By Paul Atwood

Thirty high school teachers from the Boston metropolitan region and southern New England attended the Joiner Center's thirteenth annual summer institute for high school teachers. Previously named "The Vietnam Institute," a multidisciplinary series of lectures, workshops, films, and discussions were offered each summer for secondary teachers teaching, or planning to teach, the Vietnam War.

Now that the nation is again at war in both Iraq and Afghanistan, and the Bush Administration speaks often of extending the war on terror into other nations as well, Joiner Center director Kevin Bowen and institute coordinator Paul Atwood felt that the time had arrived to broaden the institute's focus to examine the context of the current

situation and to continue to shape future summer workshops on current events, within the wider framework of what we have learned about past wars and conflicts.

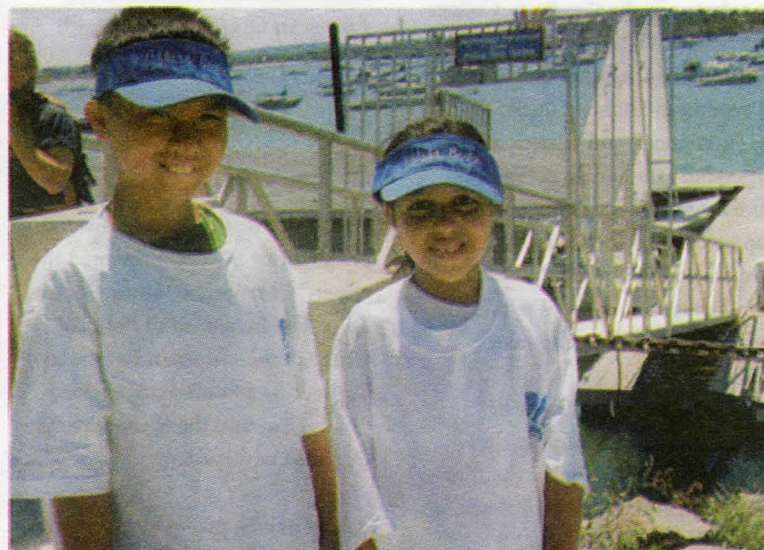
This year the focus was on a comparison of the war in Vietnam to the war in Iraq.

Professor Marilyn Young of the New York University Department of History presented a sophisticated analysis of the historical and political contexts for both wars. Ellen Hume, professor of communications studies, presented a comparison of press coverage of both conflicts. Barry Levy, former president of the American Public Health Association, offered a slide show and lecture about the medical, health, psychological, and environmental consequences of modern warfare.

Grace Paley, noted author and longtime peace activist, discussed the antiwar movement of the Vietnam era and its relationship to efforts today to stop the war in Iraq. And Paul Atwood of the Joiner Center and the American Studies Program presented an historical overview of military conscription across U.S. history, with an emphasis on the prospects for a future draft. Longtime institute participant John Fitzgerald, author of a high school textbook on the war in Vietnam, distributed and discussed many similarities and differences between the wars in Vietnam and Iraq for teachers to use in their classrooms.

Institute participants also viewed the film *Iraq Uncovered: The Whole Truth About the Iraq War*.

## City Kids Take to the Wild Blue Yonder as Courageous Sailors



*Jimmy Nguyen and Isabel Lopes of the Colonel Daniel Marr Boys and Girls Club prepare to take their sail on Dorchester Bay as part of the Courageous Sailing Program, held at UMass Boston this August. For the fifth year in a row, UMass Boston and Charlestown-based Courageous Sailing Center (CSC) have hosted youth groups from city neighborhoods to give dozens of children their first taste of sailing. The program is sponsored by CSC and the university's Division of Marine Operations and Office of University Communications and Community Relations. (Photo by Harry Brett)*



# CAMPUS NOTES

## PRESENTATIONS, CONFERENCES, AND LECTURES

On June 4, **David S. Areford**, assistant professor of art, organized the symposium “Excavating the Medieval Book” and delivered the paper “Toward an Archaeology of the Early Printed Image” at The Newberry Library in Chicago.

**Elsa Auerbach**, professor of English, presented “Literary Standards and the Globalization of Apartheid” at Fordham University Graduate School of Education’s 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Literacy Institute. She also led workshops at the Institute of Management and Community Development Summer Program at Concordia University and at the Washington State Summer Institute for Student Success, where she was a plenary speaker.

At Stanford University, **Lawrence Blum**, professor of philosophy, presented the addresses: “‘The English Was a Wuss’: Reflections on Teaching a High School Class on Racism” to the School of Education and “Racial Virtues” at a Philosophy Department colloquium.

On June 18, **Chris Bobel**, assistant professor of women’s studies, presented “When Did Tampons Become a Health Hazard? Mapping a Modern History of Menstrual Activism” at the annual meeting of the National Women’s Studies Association.

**Yung-Ping Chen**, the Frank J. Manning Eminent Scholar in Gerontology, presented “Family Changes: Policy Implications for Social Security and Long-Term Care” in Hawaii. The presentation was sponsored by the Center on the Family of the University of Hawaii, the Executive Office on Aging, and the Women’s Caucus of the Hawaii State Legislature.

In June, **Jay R. Dee**, assistant professor in the Graduate College of Education, presented the paper “The Accountability-Autonomy Paradox in Higher Education Governance” and participated in a research seminar on college and university governance, which was sponsored by the Center for Higher Education Policy Analysis at the University of Southern California and Atlantic Philanthropies.

**Linda Dittmar**, professor of English, gave a lecture at the University of Illinois on the film *Divine Intervention* by Palestinian director Elia Suleiman.

**Carol Hardy-Fanta**, director of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy, spoke on gender and campaign ethics in politics at the Women’s Campaign School at Yale University on July 15.

**Jacqueline Fawcett**, professor in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, presented “A Dialogue Among Nurse Theorists,” a collaborative work, at the Ninth Martha E. Rogers Conference, held at New York University in June.

In June and July, **Tom Flanagan** of the Environmental, Business, and Technology Center at the College of Management and **Kevin Dye**, visiting scholar at the Center for Green Chemistry, presented on green chemistry at the 8th Annual Green Chemistry and Engineering Conference, held at the National Academy of Science, and at the Gordon Research Conference on Green Chemistry.

**Dale Freeman** of the Archives and Special Collections Department presented the paper “The Life and Writings of Oliver Optic: 1822 – 1897” at the Medway Historical Society on May 18.

**Betsy Klimasmith**, assistant professor of English, delivered the paper “Teaching Literature Through Writing in a Diverse Urban University” at the International Humanities Conference, held in Prato, Italy.

In June, **Judith Kurland**, Center for Social Policy research fellow, co-authored and presented the report “Funding Cuts to Public Health in Massachusetts: Losses Over Gains” at the Boston Foundation.

**Joe Marrone** of the Institute for Community Inclusion presented a workshop on employment issues for people with psychiatric disabilities at the U.S. Department of Labor’s 2004 National Equal Opportunity Training Conference.

**Kathleen Golden McAndrew** of University Health Services and the College of Nursing and Health Sciences presented “What’s Going on Out There? An Update on Substance Abuse Trends” at a joint meeting of the Central and Western Massachusetts Chapters of the American Occupational Health Nurses Association and the American Industrial Hygienist Association of Western Massachusetts.

On July 1, **Ruth Miller**, assistant professor of history, presented the paper “Corruption, Authority, and Evil: The Invention of Political Crime in the Ottoman Empire and Turkey” at a conference entitled “Evil, Law, and the State,” held at Oxford University.

**Jon Mitchell**, professor of music and chair of the Performing Arts Department, presented the lecture “The Braunschweiger Scores: Weingartner and Leinsdorf on Beethoven’s *Eroica* Winds” at the 16th Kongress of the International Society for the Promotion and Investigation of Wind Music, held in Austria.

**Cheryl Nixon**, assistant professor of English, participated in the American Antiquarian Society’s summer seminar on the “History of the Book.”

In June, **Alfred G. Noël**, assistant professor of mathematics, presented “Computing Theta-stable Parabolic Subalgebras Using LiE” at the International Conference in Computational Science, held in Krakow, Poland. In September, he gave the lecture “Richardson Orbits for Real Semisimple Lie Groups” at the Conference on Nilpotent Orbits and Representation Theory, held in Japan.

**Mary Oleskiewicz**, assistant professor of music, presented the lecture-concert “Newly Discovered Flute Quartets and Concertos by Johann Joachim Quantz (1697-1773)” at the annual convention of the National Flute Association, held in Nashville on August 13.

**Michelle Portman**, Urban Harbors Institute graduate research assistant, presented the paper “Tidelands Management: Implementation of the Massachusetts Public Waterfront Act” at the Coastal Zone Canada Conference, held in July.

Professor **Lorna Rivera** of the College of Public and Community Service presented a workshop for public school teachers, “Metaphors for Immigration: Melting Pot, Salad Bowl, or Something Else?,” at Malden’s Immigrant Learning Center on July 21.

**Rebecca Romanow**, lecturer in the English Department, presented the paper “But Can the Subaltern Sing?” at the Cultural Studies Association Conference.

**Lloyd Schwartz** of the English Department gave a memoir/poetry reading for the New York State Writers Institute at Skidmore College on July 19.

**Stephen Silliman**, assistant professor of anthropology, presented a paper on the archaeology of colonialism and cultural encounters at the Stanford University Archaeology Center.

In August, **Russell Schutt**, professor of sociology and director of the Graduate Program in Applied Sociology, presented the coauthored paper “Housing Type, Substance Abuse, and Neurocognition Among Seriously Mentally Ill Homeless Persons” at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.

**Mohammad Tamdgidi**, assistant professor of sociology, presented the paper “Private Sociologies and Burawoy’s Sociology Types: Reflections on Newtonian and Quantum Sociological Imaginations” at the 99th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association.

**Felicia L. Wilczenski**, associate professor in the Department of Counseling and School Psychology, along with graduate students **Susan Coomey** and **Barbara Ball**, published the article “Service Learning as a Vehicle for Educating School Psychologists,” in the *School Psychology Trainer’s Forum*.

**James Willis**, assistant professor of sociology, copresented: “COMPSTAT Implementation: A View from the Field” at The Heritage Foundation in Washington, D.C., and “The Relationship Between COMPSTAT and Community Policing: A Case of Having Your Cake and Eating It Too” at the National Conference on Community Policing for America’s Future.

On June 21, a delegation of university faculty and administrators from Taiwan met with Center for the Improvement of Teaching (CIT) faculty and director **Vivian Zamel** of the English Department, and staff of the Instructional Technology Center to discuss teaching and technology.

Staff and interns at the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy presented the workshop “Creating a Women’s Agenda” at the Young Women’s Leadership Conference on July 28.

## PUBLICATIONS

**David S. Areford**, assistant professor of art, published his co-edited book *Excavating the Medieval Image: Manuscripts, Artists, Audiences* with Ashgate Publishing. He also completed two book reviews for the online journal CAA.*Reviews* on Brigitte Corley’s *Painting and Patronage in Cologne 1300-1500* and Kathleen Kamerick’s *Popular Piety and Art in the Late Middle Ages: Image Worship and Idolatry in England 1350-1500*.

**Elsa Auerbach**, professor of English, published “Embedded Literacy: A Political Process with Educational Character” in the journal *Fine Print*.

**Lester Bartson**, professor and chair of the History Department, published *In the Shadow of the Hawk* in July.

**Lawrence Blum**, professor of philosophy, published the article “The Poles, the Jews, and the Holocaust: Reflections on an AME Trip to Auschwitz” in the *Journal of Moral Education*.

**Jeffrey Dukes**, assistant professor of biology, cowrote the article “Progressive Nitrogen Limitation of Ecosystem Responses to Rising Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide,” published in the journal *BioScience*.

**Carol Hall Ellenbecker**, associate professor in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, published three articles: “Nurses’ Observations and Experiences of Problems and Adverse Effects of Medication Management in Homecare,” cowritten with colleagues in *Geriatric Nursing*; “A Theoretical Model of Job Retention for Home Healthcare Nurses” in *Journal of Advanced Nursing*; and “The Nursing Shortage in Home Health: An Update” with a colleague in *Caring Magazine*.

**Jacqueline Fawcett**, professor in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, published three cowritten articles: “The Common Journey Breast Cancer Support Group: A Program Evaluation” in *Journal of Clinical Nursing*; “Therapeutic Touch, Quiet Time, and Dialogue: Perceptions of Women with Breast Cancer” in *Oncology Nursing Forum*; and “The Theory of Human Becoming in Action” in *Nursing Science Quarterly*.

**John Fulton**, assistant professor of creative writing, published the stories “Hunters” in the *Southern Review* and “Real Grief” in *Greensboro Review*.

**Glenn Gabbard**, associate director for the New England Resource Center for Higher Education, co-authored “Early Intervention Service Coordination Policies: National Policy Infrastructure” in the journal *Topics in Early Childhood Special Education*.

**Betsy Klimasmith**, assistant professor of English, published “Naturist as Tourist: Mary Austin’s ‘Automobile Eye View’ in *The Land of Journeys’ Ending*” in *Western American Literature*.

Cambridge University Press has published *The Literature of Satire* by **Charles Knight**, professor emeritus of English.

**Scott Maisano**, assistant professor of English, published “Reading Underwater: Fantasies of Fluency from Shakespeare to Mieville and Emshwiller” in the journal *Extrapolation*.

**Laurie Marks**, lecturer in English, published the novel *Earth Logic* with Tor Books.

**Alfred G. Noël**, assistant professor of mathematics, published the paper “Computing Theta-Stable Parabolic Subalgebras Using LiE” in *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*.

*A Very Dangerous Woman: Martha Wright and Women’s Rights*, a book coauthored by **Sherry Penney**, professor of leadership in the College of Management, was published in July.



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The English Department’s Joyce Peseroff, poet-in-residence, had her poem “Sauce for the Gander” published in the summer *Michigan Quarterly Review*.

An article by Kathleen Sands, associate professor in the Study of Religion Program, “Tragedy, Theology and Feminism in the Time After Time,” appears in the “Rethinking Tragedy” issue of *New Literary History*.

Rachel Rubin, associate professor of American studies, published “‘What Ain’t Called Melungeons is Called Hillbillies’: Southern Appalachia’s In-Between People” in *Forum for Modern Language Studies*.

Russell Schutt, professor of sociology and director of the Graduate Program in Applied Sociology, published the coauthored *The Practice of Research in Social Work* with Sage Publications. He also published the coauthored article “Client Goals for Participating in VHA Vocational Rehabilitation: Distribution and Relationship to Outcome” in *Rehabilitation Counseling Bulletin* and a review of José López’ *Society and Its Metaphors: Language, Social Theory, and Social Structure* in *Contemporary Sociology*.

Lloyd Schwartz, Frederick Troy Professor of English, published the long poem “Lucifer in New York,” in *Tri-Quarterly*.

*The World Next Door: South Asian American Literature and the Idea of America* by Rajini Srikanth, associate professor of English and University Honors Program director, has been published by Temple University Press.

Mohammad Tamdgidi, assistant professor of sociology, edited the June issue of *Human Architecture: Journal of the Sociology of Self-Knowledge*, which included a collection of writing by sixteen UMass Boston undergraduate students. Tamdgidi also guest-edited *The Discourse of Sociological Practice*, a journal of the Sociology Department, which includes two of his working papers.

Xuchen Wang of the Environmental, Coastal and Ocean Sciences Department published two papers: “Stable Carbon and Nitrogen Isotopic Compositions of Organic Compound Classes in High Molecular Weight Dissolved Organic Matter from Four U.S. Estuaries” in *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta* and “Sources and Transport of Dissolved and Particulate Organic Matter in the Mississippi River Plume and Adjacent Coastal Waters of the Northern Gulf of Mexico” in *Marine Chemistry*.

## EXHIBITS, READINGS, PERFORMANCES, RECORDINGS

A solo exhibition by Wilfredo Chiesa, professor of art, ran from July 2 through 31 at the Entre Estudio y Galeria, in Mexico. With this exhibition Chiesa presented the final 10 pieces of his 100-piece Arcos series.

Mary Oleskiewicz, assistant professor of music, has published the CD recording *Johann Joachim Quantz: Six Flute Quartets*. The CD presents lost early-18th-century works that she rediscovered in 2002 during archival research in Berlin.

Rebecca Saunders, lecturer in the English Department, performed in a play at the annual Summer Festival of New Work at Boston Playwright’s Theater in June.

Theatre Arts professors Laura Schrader and John Conlon and alumna Nancy LeMoine were among the presenters for “The Shakespeare Workshops” at the Theatre Company of Saugus.

## GRANTS, RESEARCH, AND PROJECTS

Jonathan Chu, associate dean of the Graduate College of Education, is the codirector of a Plimoth Plantation National Endowment for the Humanities Landmark Grant “Encounters and Change: Expanding Perspectives and Colonists in 17th Century Plymouth.” The \$225,000 grant supports three one-week professional development programs for K-12 teachers.

Adán Colón-Carmona, assistant professor of biology, received a four-year, \$1,247,768 grant from the National Science Foundation for the research project “Assigning Functions to the Arabidopsis LBD-Family.” Working in collaboration with colleague Patricia Springer and the Museum of Science, he will develop educational modules for undergraduate and high school biology courses.

Professors Eleanor Kutz and Judith Goleman of the English Department won a \$6,000 grant from the Instructional Technology Council of the University President’s Office for the project “Extending the Classroom Community Through a Course and Program Website,” which will result in an interactive website for English 101 and 102.

The McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies, represented by Michael MacPhee, in collaboration with the Center for Democracy and Development and the Massachusetts Judges Conference, took part in the reenactment of an American civil trial at five universities in Northwest China, May 28 – June 8.

Professor Susan Opotow of the Graduate Program in Dispute Resolution served as a reviewer for National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowships and Faculty Research Awards in Washington, D.C., in August.

Stephen Silliman, assistant professor of anthropology, received an individual research grant from the Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research to help support his archaeological field research with the Eastern Pequot Tribal Nation in southeastern Connecticut.

Nina M. Silverstein, associate professor of gerontology and senior fellow of the Gerontology Institute, is spending her 2004 – 2005 sabbatical in Washington, D.C., at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, and with the Alzheimer’s Association Public Policy Division. She will focus on research and policy issues related to driving and dementia.

The Urban Harbors Institute was awarded a contract by the City of Gloucester to assist with the updating of its harbor management plane and preparation of a designated port-area master plan. David Terkla of the Economics Department is collaborating on the project.

CM’s Center for Collaborative Leadership recently received four major grants from AT&T, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, The Boston Globe Foundation, and the Boston Foundation that will help support the Center’s Emerging Leaders Program.

## APPOINTMENTS AND HONORS

On August 2, Richard F. Antonak joined UMass Boston as the first vice provost for research. Antonak received his Ed.D. in research and statistics and his M.Ed. in special education–mental retardation from Temple University, and his B.A. in mathematics from Rutgers College.

Amy Cannon of the Department of Chemistry’s Center of Green Chemistry was presented with the Kenneth G. Hancock Memorial Scholarship in Green Chemistry during the Presidential Green Chemistry Challenge Award ceremony at the National Academy of Science in Washington, D.C.

In July, Françoise Carré, research director for the Center for Social Policy, received an additional grant from the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation to continue studying the alternative staffing industry.

Roni Lipton joined the Graduate Programs in Dispute Resolution at the College of Public and Community Service as assistant director, replacing Amy Gay, who departed after five years. Lipton’s previous roles include senior-level business executive, government regulatory official, and nonprofit manager.

Alexander Des Forges, professor in the Modern Languages Department, has been chosen as an American Council of Learned Societies/SSRC/NEH International and Area Studies Fellow.

Carol Hall Ellenbecker, associate professor in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, received the Excellence in Research Award from Sigma Theta Tau, the International Honor Society, Theta Alpha Chapter of the College of Nursing.

Jacqueline Fawcett, professor in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, was appointed one of five editors of the *Journal of Advanced Nursing*.

Katherine E. Jewett has been appointed bursar. Jewett has worked previously as bursar at the University of Maryland–Baltimore County and The Catholic University of America.

Professor Mohsin Habib of the College of Management (CM) has been appointed to the new position of special assistant to the CM dean for graduate programs.

Carol Hardy-Fanta, director of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy, has been appointed to the board of the National Council for Research on Women.

William Kohler, who has served as the coordinator of the College of Management Writing Program, has been appointed interim MBA Director.

Barbara B. Lewis has been appointed director of the William Monroe Trotter Institute for the Study of Black Culture. Lewis comes from the University of Kentucky, where she was associate professor and served as chair of the Department of Theatre.

Rajini Srikanth, associate professor of English, was appointed director of the University Honors Program. Since her arrival in 1998, she has taught in the University Honors Program and served on its advisory board.

Nina M. Silverstein, associate professor of gerontology, has been appointed to the Executive Committee of the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education and will serve as program chair for the 2006 Annual Meeting.

The Asian American Studies Program and the Institute on Asian American Studies received the

Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA) Community Excellence Award. The award was presented on July 17 during the OCA’s 26<sup>th</sup> annual national convention.

## BIRTHS

Stephanie Hartwell, associate professor of sociology, and her husband Douglas Lantigua had a baby girl, Ella Wilson Lantigua, on June 13. She was 6 pounds 14 ounces and 21 inches.

## DISSERTATION

In June, Tatjana Meschede, senior research associate at the Center for Social Policy, successfully defended her dissertation “Bridges and Barriers to Housing for Homeless Street Dwellers: The Effects of Health and Substance Abuse Services on Housing Attainment.”

## OBITUARY

Pat Schell, the first administrator of the Manning Certificate Program, died on July 9 after a lengthy illness with cancer.

## CLARIFICATION

In a January 2004 *Reporter* article, Professor Gonzalo Bacigalupe was referred to as a professor of psychology. He is a Department of Counseling Psychology associate professor and a licensed family therapist.

## IN THE NEWS

In July and August, Carol Hardy-Fanta, director of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy, provided political commentary for the *Boston Globe*, the *Boston Globe Magazine*, *Springfield Republican*, and *Sacramento Bee*, and was featured on Seattle Public Radio’s “Where Are the Women in Politics?” program.

Reviews by Lloyd Schwartz, Frederick Troy Professor of English, of violinist Joseph Szigeti, music in the Marx Brothers movies, and recent Judy Garland DVDs, were recently broadcast on National Public Radio’s “Fresh Air.”

Cheri Selby of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy was interviewed on GirlTV, Channel 9, on July 28 as part of the Young Women’s Leadership Conference.

In July, the Associated Press, the *Boston Globe*, *Boston Phoenix*, and *Spare Change* newspaper cited the Center for Social Policy (CSP)’s report “Hard Numbers, Hard Times: Homeless Individuals in Massachusetts Emergency Shelters, 1999-2003” and quoted CSP’s Tatjana Meschede and Brian Sokol.



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Submit October calendar listings by **Wednesday, September 15**. Submit calendar listings online at [www.umb.edu/news/calendar/](http://www.umb.edu/news/calendar/). See the News and Events page on [www.umb.edu](http://www.umb.edu) for calendar listings online.

### Saturday 4

**UMass Boston Beacon Athletics: Women's Soccer vs. Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts**  
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. Contact: 7-7802 or [david.marsters@umb.edu](mailto:david.marsters@umb.edu).

### Monday 6

**Labor Day**  
University closed.

### Tuesday 7

**First Day of Classes**  
Activities include information tables located in Campus Center, upper level and 2nd fl.; McCormack Hall, 1st fl.; and Wheatley Hall, 2nd fl. Refreshments served in McCormack Hall (8:00 – 9:00 a.m.) and Science Center (10:30 – 12:00 p.m., Tuesday – Thursday). Beacon Center Fitness Open House, McCormack Hall, 1st fl. Greenhouse Open House, Science Center, 4th fl., 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Week of Welcome activities at College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Science Center, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Tuesday – Thursday. Graduate Student Open House, Quinn, 2nd fl., 12:00 – 6:00 p.m. Events also scheduled for September 8 – 10, unless otherwise indicated. Contact: 7-6000.

**Opening Week Music: The Coalboilers**  
1:00 – 5:00 p.m., Campus Center, Cafe, 1st fl. Contact: 7-6000.

**Harbor Art Gallery Exhibit: The Art of Fashion: An Exploration of Fashion and Design**  
10:00 am. – 5:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, Harbor Art Gallery, 1st fl. Featuring the work of Michelle Fournier. Throughout September. Contact: 7-7950.

**Marine Operations Harbor Cruises**  
12:00 – 1:15 p.m., Fox Point Landing Pavilion. Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Boston Harbor Islands and learn the historical significance of its surroundings. Free with a current/valid UMass Boston I.D. \$5.00 without I.D. Tuesdays through September 28. Contact: 7-5405.

**UMass Boston Beacon Athletics: Women's Soccer vs. Eastern Nazarene College**  
3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. Contact: 7-7802 or [david.marsters@umb.edu](mailto:david.marsters@umb.edu).

### Wednesday 8

**Opening Week Activities**  
See schedule for September 7.

**Arts on the Point Tours: Meet the Sculpture**  
11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, Harbor Art Gallery, 1st fl. Contact: 7-6000.

**Opening Week Music: University Jazz Band**  
12:00 – 2:00 p.m., McCormack Hall, 1st fl. Contact: 7-6000.

**Alumni Harbor Cruise**  
5:30 – 8:00 p.m., Fox Point Landing Pavilion. UMass Boston alumni invited for a cocktail cruise aboard the Boston Belle. Tickets are \$30 per person or two tickets for \$50. Contact: 7-5330 or [alumni@umb.edu](mailto:alumni@umb.edu).

### Thursday 9

**Opening Week Activities**  
See schedule for September 7.

**UMass Boston Beacon Athletics: Women's Soccer vs. St. Joseph's College**  
3:30 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. Contact: 7-7802 or [david.marsters@umb.edu](mailto:david.marsters@umb.edu).

### Friday 10

**Opening Week Activities**  
See schedule for September 7.

**Memorial of Hope Interfaith Service**  
8:00 – 10:00 a.m., Campus Center plaza. Contact: 7-5839.

**WUMB Radio Open House**  
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Healey Library, lower level. Contact: 7-6905.

**Biology Department Seminar: Teosinte: Forty-Eight Years' Experience with this Plant's Population Biology, Evolution, and Conservation**  
2:30 – 4:00 p.m., Science Center, 1-006. Featuring Professor Garrison Wilkes of Biology. Contact: 7-6600 or [maria.mahoney@umb.edu](mailto:maria.mahoney@umb.edu).

### Saturday 11

**ITC: Graduate Student Orientation – Introduction to Excel**  
9:30 – 11:30 a.m., Healey Library, lower level. Workshop to introduce users to the basic features of Excel. For those attending Graduate Student Orientation only. Registration number: 00394. Contact: 7-3900.

**ITC: Graduate Student Orientation – Introduction to PowerPoint XP**  
9:30 – 11:30 a.m., Healey Library, lower level. Workshop to introduce users to the basic features of PowerPoint. For those attending Graduate Student Orientation only. Registration number: 00392. Contact: 7-3900.

**ITC: Graduate Student Orientation – Formatting a Thesis of Dissertation in Word**  
9:30 – 11:30 a.m., Healey Library, lower level. Workshop to introduce users to advanced features of Word XP necessary to produce a document that conforms to formatting requirements. For those attending Graduate Student Orientation only. Registration number: 00395. Contact: 7-3900.

### Sunday 12

**Susan G. Komen Boston Race for the Cure**  
9:00 – 10:30 a.m., Clark Athletic Center. 5k (3.1 mile) run/fitness walk. Course follows University Avenue, Morrissey Boulevard, and Mt. Vernon Street. Contact: [www.komenmass.org](http://www.komenmass.org).

### Tuesday 14

**Free CPR Training**  
8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. University Health Services is offering CPR training to all interested UMass Boston community members. Training is free; space is limited. Also offered on September 28, 12:00 – 5:00 p.m. For reservations, contact: Linda Jorgensen, 7-5680.

### Wednesday 15

**Building One Community at Convocation 2004: Faculty and Staff Breakfast**  
8:30 – 10:00 a.m., Campus Center, Ballroom, 4th fl.

**Convocation 2004 Address and Roundtable Discussion: Cancer Research and Health Disparities**  
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Quinn Plaza. Featuring Edward J. Benz, Jr., M.D., president of the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, and UMass Boston faculty panelists. Rain date location: McCormack Hall, Ryan Lounge, 3rd fl.

**Convocation 2004: Student barbecue**  
12:30 – 2:00 pm, Quinn Plaza. Rain location: Campus Center Ballroom, 4th fl.

**Convocation 2004: Ticket to Your Dreams**  
12:30 – 2:30 p.m., Quinn Plaza. Information table from 30 campus departments and programs. Visit all tables and enter the drawing for prizes, including free tuition for spring '05. Rain location: Campus Center streets.

**Convocation 2004: "Fest-of-Us"**  
12:30 - 3:00 p.m., Quinn Plaza. 3:00 - 7:00 p.m., Campus Center Ballroom. Live music, games, sports activities, and more.

**Convocation 2004: Chancellor Motley Speaks**  
2:30 p.m., Campus Center, first floor terrace. Hear J. Keith Motley, the university's new interim chancellor, speak on "Building One Community at UMass Boston." All students invited.

**Convocation 2004: Pizza and Prizes**  
5:00 – 6:00 p.m., Campus Center, front lawn. Food, information, and another raffle. Chancellor Motley will visit. Rain location: Campus Center Ballroom.

### Friday 17

**Biology Department Seminar**  
2:30 – 4:00 p.m., Science Center, 1-006. Speaker to be announced. Contact: 7-6600 or [maria.mahoney@umb.edu](mailto:maria.mahoney@umb.edu).

**Seventh Annual Boston Folk Festival**  
7:00 – 10:00 p.m., UMass Boston campus. Songwriting contest, featuring five finalists and artists Tom Paxton, Jack Hardy, and Rod MacDonald. Contact: 7-6911, [folkfest@umb.edu](mailto:folkfest@umb.edu), or [www.bostonfolkfestival.org](http://www.bostonfolkfestival.org).

### Saturday 18

**Seventh Annual Boston Folk Festival**  
11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., UMass Boston campus. Festival featuring Dar Williams, Tom Paxton, Dave Bromberg, Erin McKeown, Mark Erelli, and many others. Five stages of free entertainment, harbor cruises, children's activities. Contact: 7-6911, [folkfest@umb.edu](mailto:folkfest@umb.edu), or [www.bostonfolkfestival.org](http://www.bostonfolkfestival.org).

### Sunday 19

**Seventh Annual Boston Folk Festival**  
11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., UMass Boston campus. Festival featuring Dar Williams, Tom Paxton, Dave Bromberg, Erin McKeown, Mark Erelli, and many others. Five stages of free entertainment, harbor cruises, children's activities. Contact: 7-6911, [folkfest@umb.edu](mailto:folkfest@umb.edu), or [www.bostonfolkfestival.org](http://www.bostonfolkfestival.org).

### Monday 20

**Gerontology Speaker Series: Housing Choices for Seniors**  
1:00 – 2:15 p.m., Campus Center, Rm 2540. Featuring William K. Wasch and Christina Wasch of Wesleyan University. Sponsored by the Gerontology Institute, Gerontology Department, and McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies. Contact: 7-7300.

### Tuesday 21

**Emerging Leaders Program Luncheon**  
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Westin Copley Place Boston. Celebration for the Center for Collaborative Leadership 2004 Emerging Leaders Program. Luncheon featuring keynote speaker Robert Kraft, chairman and owner of the Patriots. Reservations and tickets required by September 13. Contact: 7-3890 or [ccl@umb.edu](mailto:ccl@umb.edu).

**UMass Boston Beacon Athletics: Men's Soccer vs. Suffolk University**  
3:30–5:30 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. Contact: 7-7802 or [david.marsters@umb.edu](mailto:david.marsters@umb.edu).

### Friday 24

**Biology Department Seminar: Why Experimental Ecology Matters to Conservation Biology**  
2:30 – 4:00 p.m., Science Center, 1-006. Featuring Franzika Michor of Harvard University. Contact: 7-6600 or [maria.mahoney@umb.edu](mailto:maria.mahoney@umb.edu).

### Saturday 25

**UMass Boston Beacon Athletics: Women's Soccer vs. Plymouth State College**  
1:00 –3:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. Contact: 7-7802 or [david.marsters@umb.edu](mailto:david.marsters@umb.edu).

### Wednesday 29

**UMass Boston Beacon Athletics: Men's Soccer vs. Salem State College**  
3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. Contact: 7-7802 or [david.marsters@umb.edu](mailto:david.marsters@umb.edu).

### Miscellaneous

**Beacon Fitness Center**  
Offerings include muscle conditioning (Mondays, 11:30 a.m.), plyometrics (12:30 p.m.), total body sculpt (Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m.), cardio kickboxing (Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m.), ab blast (Fridays, 12:30 p.m.). Open to all members. Contact: 7-6786 or [www.athletics.umb.edu/beacon/index.htm](http://www.athletics.umb.edu/beacon/index.htm) for schedule.

**Support UMass Boston Beacons!**  
Visit [www.athletics.umb.edu/](http://www.athletics.umb.edu/) for athletic schedule.

**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/](http://www.umb.edu/students/campus_ministry/).

**Instructional Technology Center (ITC)**  
Interested in expanding your technology horizons? Visit the ITC website at [www.itc.umb.edu](http://www.itc.umb.edu) or call 7-2990 for updated workshop information.

**Intramural Clinics**  
Come join a free clinic to learn the rules, how to play and /or to improve your game in: racquetball, squash, and Wally ball. Sign-up forms are at the Beacon Fitness Center. Contact: 7-7830.

**Recovery Meetings for Sober Alcoholics and Addicts**  
2:00 – 3:00 pm., Wednesdays. Wheatley Hall, 4-169. Meetings open for all faculty, staff, and students. Contact: 7-7981.

**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.