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Elections

Cary Rothenburger, '76, of Acton, a Politics major, has been elected by the student body as the new Student Trustee, succeeding Kathy Steed of Malden, who served in the post over the past year. One of his first duties will be attending the May meeting of the Board of Trustees tomorrow in Worcester.

The University Assembly reelected Prof. Salvatore Schiavo-Campo, Economics I, as Faculty Co-Chairperson of the Assembly for the 1975-1976 academic year. Student Chairperson elected was Michael Ponaman, '77, of Boston. Also elected to the Steering Committee, which will act in behalf of the Assembly during the summer, will be Prof. J. Lawrence Kamara, Sociology I, and student Cynthia Baratz, '76, of Watertown. Also reelected Secretary and a member of the Steering Committee was Prof. Gerald C. Volpe, French and Italian, I.

Boston School Plans

Dr. James Case, Director, Institute for Learning and Teaching, has been representing the campus at meetings between Judge W. Arthur Garrity, the judge's appointed masters, college presidents and other higher education officials, and the Boston School Department on the proposed plans to link some 16 colleges and universities with the proposed new school districts in Boston.

UMass-Boston, in the masters' proposal, would link us with the schools in South Boston. This, incidentally, has produced a protest from the Dorchester United Neighborhood Associations. They claim that the university in Dorchester should be assigned the Dorchester district.

At this stage, collegiate and university officials have strongly indicated they have no intention of administering the schools within the district, nor to usurp the prerogatives of the teachers in the classrooms. Officials have indicated, however, that they want to be given as much assistance as is possible.

Liturgy

Rev. James Rafferty, Campus Ministry, announces that the Liturgy will be celebrated for Ascension Thursday, on Thursday, May 8, at College II, 2-621 at 12:30.

The Role of Public Archaeology in Massachusetts

The University of Massachusetts at Boston and the Cambridge Archaeological Seminar are sponsoring a conference on "The Role of Public Archaeology in Massachusetts," to be held May 23-24 at the Harbor Campus. The purpose of this conference is to inform the institutions and citizens of Massachusetts of new federal and state laws which affect archaeological and historical (including underwater) remains, and to organize more effectively the human resources for meeting these legal obligations. The two-day program will include speakers from national and state organizations, lectures and demonstrations of Massachusetts archaeology and sound archaeological programs in other states, films on the methods and goals of archaeological research, and guided tours of the laboratories and research at UMass. Further information may be obtained by calling Ext. 2868 Mondays and Thursdays.

The Program coordinator is Pat Stein, Anthropology, C-II.

A list of speakers and topics will be published in later issues of the Bulletin.

Talking Tall

"Talking Tall", a speaking workshop for classified staff members, had its first pilot session on April 28 and 29. Workshop participants were videotaped delivering a "verbal profile", an extemporaneous talk, role-playing an interview situation, and delivering a prepared speech, and then had the opportunity to see and discuss the play-back of themselves speaking in these various situations.

Everyone who participated in the workshop was enthusiastic about their experience, and eager to organize another "Talking Tall" workshop for the summer, as well as to plan further in-service training workshops for classified staff members.

The Workshop Planning and Implementation Committee Members included: Pauline Brown, Office of Executive Assistant Chancellor; Lisa Buckler, Dean's Office, College I; Gwen Gibson, Community Services; Bunny Lopez, Politics, College II; Dolores Miller, Grants & Special Programs; and Joan O'Brien, Office of V.C. for Academic Affairs.

Instructors were: Alison Huey, Associate Provost; Nancy Klinger, Assistant Professor, Individual & Society, College III; Linda Welch, Secretary in Essential Skills Department and Student, College III; Jane Bachner, Consultant on confidence building through public speaking.

Others who participated in planning of the workshop were: Evelyn Garfield, Co-Director, Affirmative Action; Laureen Greene, Staff Assistant, Institute for Learning and Teaching; Nike Speltz, Staff Assistant, Special Programs and Grants; Brunetta Wolfman, Assistant Vice President for Academic Programs; Hedy Velth, Staff Assistant to Vice President for University Policy; Roxanne Houston, Secretary to Vice President for University Policy; Ann Froines, Coordinator of Women's Studies.

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The efforts of all the UMass-Boston women who participated in, planned, organized, and taught in the workshop were voluntary, in addition to their regular work responsibilities at the university. The Media Services Center also contributed staff time and media equipment to the workshop, and were an important factor in the workshop's success.

Chinese Art Lecture

Susan Bush of the Art Department, College II, will give an illustrated lecture on "Chinese Artists' Views on Chinese Painting" at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst on Wednesday, May 14th at 3 p.m. in Bartlett Hall.

Caucus in Aged Blacks

Prof. Lawrence Kamara was a participant at the Convention of the National Caucus on the Black Aged held in Washington, D.C. April 12-15. The theme of this year's meeting was the Aging Black Woman and Federal Policies: 1960-2000.

Registration Complexities

At the recent meeting of the American Association of Registrars and Admissions Officers at Minneapolis, Betty Richardson, Admissions Counselor for the College of Community and Public Service (College III) presented a provocative paper as a member of a panel on Modular and Flexible Scheduling. Her presentation of the Competency Based Certificate System with its attendant scheduling problems was received by an audience of 100 who participated in a lively question and answer period.

Spaethling Returns to Teaching

In a note to the Faculty last week, Vice Chancellor Robert Spaethling announced his plans for next year:

"This is to inform you that I have resigned my post as Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs effective July 31, 1975. I am taking this step a year earlier than planned because of a high blood pressure problem that developed during my stay in office. It can be assumed that my health condition will improve once I leave the administration and return to the quieter realm of teaching.

"I wish to thank you for the trust and many kindnesses shown to me as I wish to say thanks to my staff as well as the Chancellor for providing me with friendship and effective help. I am looking forward to the fall when I will join you as a once more happy faculty member."

Alpha Kappa Delta

Twenty seven students were admitted to Alpha Kappa Delta, the National Honorary Society in Sociology, in a ceremony conducted on April 29. The major speaker for the occasion was Ms. Jean McGuire, Director of the METCO Program. This group of students represents the largest group admitted to the University chapter in its fourth year history here.

The students are:

Class of '75 Clare M. D'Andrea, John Orthman, Janet Drinkwater, Paula Husselmann, Anne Pelleriti, Rosanne Sarnowski, Peter Connell, William Osborn, Deborah Dooley, Susan Forward, Donna O'Donnell, Anne M. Carleo, Theresa E. Griffith, Bobbie Fisch.

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Class of '76 Laura Brown, Michael Curren, Helen Hamilton, Kathleen E. Anderson, Susan Shwom, Paulette Massari, Loretta Mascis, Harriet Budd, Stephen T. Cass, Margaret Nolan.

Class of '77 Joanna Lippoldt, Kathleen M. Ennis, Ellen Korb.

Current Economics

Dr. Laurence Shute, Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Economy, College II, was interviewed by Louis Lyons of radio station WGBH for broadcast on April 12th. Dr. Shute, a specialist in the History of Economic Thought, spoke on "The Present State of American Economics."

The Speed Limit is 55 MPH

A reminder to all persons operating State-owned vehicles from the Massachusetts Office of Administration and Finance:

"At the request of Governor Michael Dukakis, Secretary of Public Safety Charles Barry has instructed the State Police and Registry of Motor Vehicles law enforcement personnel to enforce the 55 mile per hour speed limit, . . . and further, to cite all persons found violating this speed limit, including persons operating state-owned motor vehicles."

Under no circumstances is the monetary penalty for a traffic violation to be made by the agency to which the vehicle is assigned or by any other agency. Any citation involving a monetary penalty forwarded by an individual to an agency for payment is to be returned to such individual, with notification that he or she is personally responsible for payment."

Kipling and Lee Grove

"He's a better man than we figured," said Lee Grove in his Boston Globe (4/13) review on the new Rudyard Kipling book by Martin Fido.

Grove memorized "If" when he was about five and his review reveals a lifelong love affair with the literary talents of Kipling and advised jaded adults to return to the pages of the "Jungle Books" and "Kim" because "maybe it's time for you to grow backwards, or to grow into them again, or, better yet, to let Kipling grow for you in other ways and other stories you never knew existed."

Eleanore Silverman

Wellesley College has received a new endowment. It won't be measured in dollars and cents, but it will be the addition of Eleanore Silverman to their staff as Registrar and Director of Institutional Research for the College.

Her legion of friends on this campus will be saying an informal adieu on Friday, May 16th, at a reception beginning at 1 p.m. in the Registrar's Office.

Paul Gagnon hired her to begin work at the Park Square campus on September 16th, 1968 and since that time "it has been an enjoyment working with her" is the way one of her colleagues expressed it.

Eleanore will be with us through all the trials and work of preparing for graduation and through July. So we shall have the benefit of her calming influence, total professionalism, and her concern for the faculty and students at UMass-Boston.