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Campus Plans Begin to Take Shape

By DeWayne Lehman

Plans for the redevelopment of the University of Massachusetts Boston campus recently moved from concept to first-phase implementation with the announcement of new funding for facility development and the selection of an architect for the first new academic building.

The state's \$2.2 billion Higher Education Bond Bill, approved by the legislature in July and signed by Governor Deval Patrick early last month, included \$125 million for the UMass Boston campus. The bulk of the funding, \$100 million, is designated for a new academic building; the remainder will be devoted to stabilizing the existing campus substructure.

Nearly coinciding with the funding approval was the selection of the Boston architectural firm Goody Clancy to conduct a programming study and preliminary design for the campus's first new academic building in some 35 years, an Integrated Sciences Complex. The new building,



The first new academic building will be adjacent to the Campus Center; both will be served by a reconfigured roadway. (Image courtesy of Chan Krieger Simeniewicz)

expected to be situated adjacent to the Campus Center in the area of the current North Parking Lot, will provide multidisciplinary lab and research space, according to Ellen O'Connor, vice chancellor of administration and finance. Within the coming year, UMass

Boston also anticipates moving forward with a second new facility, a general academic building, as part of the master plan, O'Connor said.

"This is great news for both our students and our faculty," Chancellor J. Keith Motley said.

"In just a few years we will have a new science center that will be second to none, providing the facilities and environment to enhance learning and advance research. It's good to see our planning begin to take shape."

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University to Help Local Businesses, and Itself

By DeWayne Lehman

UMass Boston last month became the first university to join a Boston program that supports local business development across the city's neighborhoods—and encourages charitable giving to the university itself!

In a unique partnership between UMass Boston and the city's Boston Main Streets program, the university will promote the Boston Community Change affinity card among students, faculty, staff, and alumni. In exchange, the university will be added as a charity to which cardholders can direct donations. The Community Change card, when used at participating businesses throughout Boston's 19 Main Streets neighborhoods, pro-

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Genzyme Partnership Helps Students and the State

By Geoffrey Kula

In an ongoing effort to help keep the Bay State's biotech industry competitive, the University of Massachusetts and Genzyme have partnered to create the Genzyme/UMass Scholars Program, a paid summer internship for selected undergrads in which they gain practical industry-related work experience and see firsthand how biotech products are developed and brought to market.

Juniors pursuing a life sciences degree at one of the university's four undergraduate campuses are eligible to be considered for the program, and this year, each received a \$5,000 grant toward their senior-year tuition and fees upon successful completion of their internship work assignment. Students also benefit from the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Scholar Intern Matching Fund, established by the Board of Higher Education to match private scholarships.

The new program was announced at UMass Boston in February at a statewide conference of life sciences

and higher education leaders.

"The Genzyme/UMass Scholars Program is an innovative partnership that provides great learning opportunities for our students and also strengthens the university's relationship with Genzyme, a leading life sciences company interested in training and recruiting skilled workers in Massachusetts. It's truly a win-win," said UMass president Jack M. Wilson. "Along with Chancellor Motley and Senior Vice President and Interim Chancellor Collins, I appreciate Genzyme CEO Henri Termeer's continued strong commitment to the University of Massachusetts and congratulate the UMass Boston students who were selected for the program."

"Our goal during the first year of the UMass/Genzyme Scholarship has been to make a valuable contribution by recruiting, developing, and supporting students in the biomedical sciences disciplines," said Genzyme spokesperson Shawna Ferguson. "Our UMass/Genzyme scholars are learning new research skills through internship assign-



After interning at Genzyme this summer, Laura Kibuuka is now considering a career in biotech. (Photo courtesy of Genzyme)

ments and professional development skills by participating in our student seminars. Also, our scholars have the opportunity to reflect on and share what they've learned by participating in science symposiums, presentations, or final project overview reports. To support students' and Genzyme's commitment to the community, some of our scholars have participated in Genzyme's community relations events as well. Having a chance to connect with each scholarship student, I can say that each scholar

has something unique to contribute to the biotechnology industry."

This summer, four UMass Boston students—biology majors Jamie Webster, Alex Bitzer, and Laura Kibuuka, and biochemistry major Afamefuna Nduagba—were recognized for their outstanding academic achievements and were among the first group selected. Kibuuka and Nduagba are also members of the Urban Massachusetts Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (UML-
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vides customers with an earned cash rebate and directs a portion of each purchase to support Boston Main Streets districts and a nonprofit or school of the cardholder's choosing. Boston Main Streets, founded by Mayor Thomas M. Menino in 1995, has become a national model for supporting and revitalizing neighborhood commercial districts.

"We know how important small businesses are to local economies and healthy communities, and we welcome the opportunity to support the work of the Boston Main Streets program," said Chancellor J. Keith Motley, who was the 6,546th person to sign up for a card. "Boston Community Change is an innovative way to support local businesses and our university."

The Boston Community Change program was founded in 2006, and the card is now accepted by more than 200 businesses in neighborhoods from West



Roxbury and Dorchester to East Boston and Allston-Brighton. The program encourages people to "shop locally, share locally."

The partnership with Boston Main Streets is an outgrowth of community relations efforts in the Office of Government Relations and Public Affairs. UMass Boston has a tradition of assisting neighborhood Main Streets districts, usually around their fundraising activities. This partnership will help extend the

university's reach and assistance across the city, said Gail Hobin, assistant vice chancellor for community relations.

"We have students, faculty, and staff in every Boston neighborhood, so this is a great opportunity to help make a difference. At the same time, you're helping the university and earning a rebate," Hobin said.

For more information or to sign up for a card, visit www.bostoncommunitychange.org.

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UMass Boston's 25-year master plan calls for a phased approach to rebuilding and enhancing the Columbia Point campus. Plans for the first 10 years include adding at least two new academic buildings, reconfiguring the campus roadways, relocating utilities and removing the plaza, and adding structured parking and 1,000 beds of housing. Subsequent plans include additional parking, academic and athletic facilities, and another 1,000 beds of housing for the campus.

UMass Boston will work with the state's Division of Capital Asset Management to oversee the design and construction of the new Integrated Sciences Complex. During the initial phase, anticipated to take 18 to 24 months, Goody Clancy will assist the university in determining the specific uses and requirements for building and designing a facility that meets UMass Boston's academic and strategic needs. The

new sciences complex and general academic buildings would likely be completed in 2013, according to O'Connor.

"I'm very excited about this new funding and beginning to work with our architect," said O'Connor. "A lot of hard work by a lot of people has gone into coming up with an overall plan. Now we can get started working even harder to make this plan take shape with new facilities."

UMass Boston is continuing to work with the Boston Redevelopment Authority, Boston College High School, and others on details of the Columbia Point and university master plans, a process that is expected to be completed this fall, according to O'Connor. Moving forward, the administration will continue its outreach to the university and broader communities to ensure maximum participation in shaping the future of the campus, O'Connor said.

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SAMP) program, which actively recruits students underrepresented in STEM fields, and Nduagba is a member of the Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, which provides opportunities for undergraduates from underrepresented groups to excel in science- and math-related fields, work toward doctoral degrees, and undertake careers in college teaching. In addition to their research, these four students attended Genzyme-sponsored seminars and workshops on leadership and career development designed specifically for the student interns.

In a typical week, Nduagba works with two sets of cell lines—mouse embryonic cell lines and human liver cells—infects them, harvests them, and extracts RNA to make DNA to determine how the cells react to the virus. Over time, he analyzes his data for trends. He hopes his work at Genzyme can help the company develop a diabetes treatment. "Every day gets you closer to a solution," he said.

Nduagba, who plans to become an MD/PhD, conduct research, and teach, said his summer experience has helped him in more ways than one. "Getting that extra experience working in a different lab, working on different projects, gaining a different point of view—it's helped

me clarify my plans for the future and made me more marketable," he said. "Having it on my resume makes me look good and feel more confident about the eventual job hunt."

In addition to the new technology and techniques he's been exposed to, Jamie Webster attended presentations on the business of science and medical careers. Webster, who ranked 4th out of 135 students in Professor of Biology Rick Kesseli's general genetics course, is thrilled to have had this opportunity. "Getting good grades is one thing," he said, "but getting rewarded for it is another."

Another Kesseli genetics student was Bitzer, who has spent his summer working with Genzyme's orthopedics research group to discover the mechanism through which people develop osteoarthritis and to synthesize a product that will relieve both structural abnormalities and pain. "Overall, the goal is to find the mechanistic pathways for pain regulation in models afflicted with osteoarthritis in order to improve current drug treatments," he explained.

Bitzer's time at Genzyme's Framingham campus has rekindled an interest in research. "My plan was always to go to medical school,

become an endocrinologist or orthopedic surgeon, practice and then retire," he said. "Now I think I would still like to choose the path of pursuing my MD, but after practicing for several years, I could definitely see myself working for a biotech company like Genzyme, doing research. I certainly am more intrigued by the biotech industry after working at Genzyme for a couple of months."

For some, analyzing rat and human knee joints might not sound like the ideal way to spend the summer, but Bitzer feels otherwise. "I am very grateful to both UMass and Genzyme for making this internship experience possible, and I certainly recommend that [anyone eligible] take full advantage of it, because although going to the beach with friends every day during the summer may seem like a good alternative, I definitely would not have enjoyed my summer as much had I declined the opportunity to intern at Genzyme." Bitzer's supervisor is also pleased with his intern's choice of summer activity: Ferguson said that Bitzer has been offered the opportunity to continue his internship this fall.

Another student who jumped at the chance to work at Genzyme was Laura Kibuuka, who worked with a team that conducted tests to

see which components of drugs are attacked by antibodies, in order to develop strategies to neutralize the attack or change the drug so that it works more efficiently and effectively.

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Kibuuka, who hopes to eventually attend medical school, describes her summer as an "eye-opening experience," fostering respect for the biotech industry, the people who work in it, and the amount of research that goes into making safe, effective medications.

"I had never considered [a career in] biotech before," she said. "I always planned on becoming a doctor, but right now, [joining the biotech industry] is pretty close in the running with attending medical school."

The combined experience of these students confirms the expect-

tations Kesseli had of the program. "What I hope to see from the Scholars Program are opportunities for students to see the industry side of biological sciences," he said. "This will allow them to develop knowledge of a new set of tools and techniques, and thus broaden their knowledge of biomedical research. They will also, hopefully, learn of alternative ways to attack problems and troubleshoot and integrate different techniques. These students will be stars of the future."

Genzyme's Ferguson agrees, noting that it's not only vital to the state's economy to have a well-trained biotech workforce, but vital to the overall health and well-being of patients who are waiting for new medicines to become available.

"There is a growing need for a diverse talent pipeline to work in biotechnology and contribute to the development of patient therapies around the world," she said. "The opportunity to partner with UMass, a state university, to help create a talent pipeline for Genzyme supports our business goals while influencing academic curriculum and developing students. This partnership is a win/win for patients, students, educators, and Genzyme."

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Marine Operations Crew Covers the Waterfront

By Danielle Dreilinger

The latest addition to the Fox Point fleet arrived on August 14, its shiny white hull and new-boat smell belying its purpose: pumping sewage from boats in Boston Harbor.

Though many know the Division of Marine Operations mostly through its harbor cruises, the staff does quite a bit more than help the UMass Boston community have fun on the water: They educate and connect with the greater Boston community through classroom support, provide sailing lessons, promote environmental education, aid in scientific research programs, and much more.

“We’re pretty engaged,” said director of marine operations Chris Sweeney.

Anyone can join the community sailing program and learn to sail at their own pace for a bargain price: just \$144 for university faculty and staff. “It’s one of the best deals going in town,” said sailmaster Jason LeBlanc, who encourages people to try their hand at sailing. After all, the university’s mission is to “provide access to things people wouldn’t normally have access to,” he said. Though sailing has an elitist reputation, LeBlanc says that 90 percent of the sailing team’s members learned to sail at UMass Boston.

During the school year, the program uses all work-study students; in the summer, the program employs three to six teenagers from Mayor Thomas Menino’s summer jobs program. Student



Left to right: An instructor leads two new sailors down the dock; the new pumpout boat; getting ready to set sail. (Photos by Harry Brett)

employees learn to sail, care for boats, and teach others, developing leadership and mentoring skills, LeBlanc said.

He should know—raised in Savin Hill, he’s a UMass Boston sailing kid himself. “I actually learned to sail through this program,” he said. In a neighborhood with limited options for youth, “to have this program, access to this program, was just a life-changing experience for me.”

Getting the sailmaster job in 2004 “was like coming home for me,” he said. Part of LeBlanc’s charge when he took over was to revitalize that sailing team. Though the intercollegiate team formed only two years ago, it’s currently ranked 25th of 45 teams in the division, competing in 30-plus events each year.

“UMass Boston has one of the best sailing venues in the country and it’s just underutilized,” said LeBlanc.

Some local professors recognize

its usefulness, though. University sailors bring academics from all around the area—“URI, Harvard, Northeastern,” said Sweeney—to do research on Boston Harbor islands too small to have their own docks.

“We’re the only university directly on the ocean in the greater Boston area,” he said, “so we’re often solicited by other schools.”

The division makes the most of its resources, maintaining the original 14-boat fleet from when the program started, and rebuilding 10 boats in the last four years. More recent additions include three college racing boats donated by Boston College and a former Coast Guard vessel. The M/V *Columbia Point*, most familiar to the UMass Boston community from the summer Monday harbor cruises, also doubles as a mobile classroom, with a flat-screen TV to show images from the boat’s navigation equipment.

In addition to all of those ac-

tivities, Marine Operations has begun working in a new direction: helping keep local waters clean.

Boston Harbor was recently designated as a “No Discharge” area, meaning that boaters are no longer allowed to dump sewage directly into the water. Complying with that designation depends on having adequate pumpout facilities, both onshore and in the water, to prevent boat operators from taking the easy route.

That’s where the new boat comes in: Most pumpout vessels are slow and hard to maneuver; this one will have greater mobility, able to get in and out of tight spaces quickly. With a nearly 1,000-gallon capacity, the boat will make house calls to recreational and commercial boats, pumping them out free of charge.

But that’s just part of the pumpout boat’s mission: In keeping with the UMass Boston spirit of combining teaching, research, and community service whenever

possible, the boat will also serve as a mobile research platform for faculty projects as well as those of students, particularly advanced-degree candidates in the Environmental, Earth, and Ocean Sciences Department, where they’ll look for ways to keep clean not only Boston Harbor, but coastal waters everywhere.

“We actually have students in line waiting to get out on the boats,” said EEOS assistant professor Anamarija Frankic, who along with students Chris McIntyre and PhD candidate Prassede Vella came down to Fox Point to check out the pumpout boat as it pulled into the dock for the first time.

“They’re basically using the interdisciplinary sciences to help keep the harbor clean, and testing methods which can be applied in other harbors,” said Frankic. “Their projects will support Boston Harbor’s ‘No Discharge’ zone application, monitoring, and outreach activities.”

All the World’s a Page: 400 Years of Shakespeare in Print

By Geoffrey Kula

An exhibit at the Boston Public Library, co-curated by English professors Scott Maisano and Cheryl Nixon as well as several graduate students, “All the World’s a Page: 400 Years of Shakespeare in Print”—on display in the BPL’s Rare Books Exhibition Room through September 30—raises more questions than it answers, serving as a launching pad for an examination of the assumptions students and scholars alike have about William Shakespeare.

The exhibit is the latest in a series produced through a partnership with the BPL, that is led on the UMass Boston side by Nixon, who served as the lead grant writer in a successful effort to land a President’s Creative Economy Grant, the funder of the partnership, which began with a Nixon-curated exhibit, “Crooks, Rogues, and Maids Less Than Virtuous.”

In the current exhibit, the centuries-old books resting behind

protective glass are not so much diamonds in the rough as they are hidden jewels: flawed, one-of-a-kind copies of the Bard’s most famous works, each worth millions. The theory behind the display, according to Maisano, is “to show how and why books themselves—as objects free of the content within—influence our understanding of a particular work.”

Maisano said he began mulling this idea last year, and explored it more fully in an essay he wrote for the *Shakespeare Yearbook* titled “Shakespeare’s Dead Sea Scroll: On the Apocryphal Appearance of *Pericles*,” about one of Shakespeare’s less-frequently-taught plays. Considered a “bad quarto” because it is not included in Shakespeare’s First Folio (the first “complete” collection of his work, printed in 1623), this play was not an accurate reflection of the Bard’s abilities, according to conventional wisdom. Shakespeare, it was felt, couldn’t have written a bad play; printers must

have botched the job.

Maisano, however, saw things in a different light. His article proposed that *Pericles* was supposed to look like the remnant of a lost civilization, a ravaged land like the biblical Sodom and Gomorrah, and that its faults were not incidental or accidental, but central to understanding the play. As an example, Maisano cites *The Norton Complete Works of Shakespeare*, a commonly used undergraduate English student’s book, for which editors reconstructed the text of *Pericles*, removing anything that didn’t jibe with their preconceived ideas of what the play might have looked like before going to print.

“Students will encounter a 20th-century fabrication rather than the play Shakespeare’s contemporaries would have read,” he said. He also pointed out that *Hamlet*’s most famous line, “To be or not to be, that is the question,” does not appear as such in a 1603 version of the text. So which *Hamlet* is correct? Maisano
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Moakley Professor Rallies Iraqi Political Leaders At Announcement of Helsinki II Peace Agreement in Baghdad

By Nancy Riordan

On July 5 at the Al Rasheed Hotel in Baghdad's Green Zone, Iraqi parliamentarians and diplomats from several countries gathered to participate in the signing of the Helsinki II Agreement, drawn up during two rounds of secret meetings in Helsinki, Finland.

The agreement defines 17 principles, to which all parties subscribe, and designates the contextual framework that will enshrine the rules of behavior and conduct among and within parties and alliances, and among parties and government, and that will inform discussion and provide the guidelines for resolving matters of procedure and process. To monitor compliance with the principles, the agreement contains 15 mechanisms which outline the implementation measures that will be developed.

The meetings in Helsinki were organized by the Iraq Project, a joint venture of the John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies (MGS), the Institute for Global Leadership (IGL) at Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts, and the Crisis Management Initiative (CMI), Helsinki, Finland.

The Project's director, Pdraig O'Malley, who is the John Joseph Moakley Distinguished Professor of Peace and Reconciliation at MGS, spent six of the last twelve months in Baghdad meeting with members of the Iraqi parliament and government to arrange the meetings in Helsinki.

The Iraqis met with the senior negotiators from South Africa, including Cyril Ramaphosa, chief negotiator for the African National Congress (ANC) under the leadership of Nelson Mandela;

Roelf Meyer, chief negotiator for South Africa's last whites-only government; and Mac Maharaj, who was co-secretary of the South African negotiating process. Senior negotiators from Northern Ireland included Martin McGuinness from Sinn Fein, reputedly former chief of staff of the Irish Republican Army (IRA) and currently deputy first minister of Northern Ireland; Jeffrey Donaldson from the Democratic Unionist Party (DUP), the hard-line pro-British party of Reverend Ian Paisley; and Lord John Alderdice, chairperson of the International Monitoring Commission (IMC) which oversaw the decommissioning of arms by paramilitary groups in Northern Ireland.

In 1993, at the height of negotiations in South Africa, the University of Massachusetts Boston conferred honorary degrees on Ramaphosa and Meyer, who were also joint commencement speakers.

O'Malley had organized a similar meeting for the Northern Irish in South Africa with their South African counterparts in 1997.

The meetings that led to the Helsinki Agreement were largely funded by Robert Bendetson, CEO of Cabot House furniture, a trustee of Tufts University, a member of IGL's external advisory board, and a former student of O'Malley's at Tufts.

Reached for comment in Beirut, where he is currently working on another book (O'Malley's last work, *Shades of Difference*, a political biography of Mac Maharaj, is available at the UMass Boston Bookstore), O'Malley paid a special tribute to the role played by Mr. Robert Bendetson: "Bobby is a special human being.



The negotiating team in Baghdad. Left to right: Mac Maharaj, Lord John Alderdice, Martin McGuinness, President Jalal Talabani, Vice President Abd al Mahdi, Pdraig O'Malley, and Robert Bendetson. (Photo by Nancy Riordan)

He gives new meaning to the word philanthropist. He epitomizes the values of doing the right thing for no other reason than it is right. Besides his enormous generosity, he made a number of significant interventions that kept the process going when it might have otherwise broken down." O'Malley also paid tribute to Iraq's two vice presidents who saw the value in going forward with this initiative when he first proposed it to them in June 2007. "They jumped on board. They caught the idea behind the process right away and gave it their full blessing. That made bringing others on board a lot easier."

O'Malley said: "It was no accident that the participants from the South Africa *Indaba* (gathering) were in Helsinki. These were people who knew each other and who had developed camaraderie over the years that made them a seamless team of facilitators at Helsinki, and that camaraderie made their interaction with the

Iraqis easier and at the same time more forceful. The principle underlying these talks is very simple: the almost too obvious notion that people from divided societies are in the best position to help people from other divided societies.

"The conflicts, of course, are different, but the behaviors of peoples in conflict tend to be similar. In this way they can benefit from hearing the narrative of what negotiators from other conflicts went through as they struggled out of violence into non-violence, from positions of 'never' to positions of compromise, from facing the tasks of carrying a new message to their constituencies as they moved from one course of action to another to bringing them fully on board. Hearing the Northern Irish and South African narratives of conflict and negotiation and then settlement, the Iraqis were able to identify with what they were hearing and adapted some of the documents used in both conflicts to their own use.

"Now we have transferred ownership of the process we began in Helsinki just one year ago to the Iraqis. Whatever role we, the conveners and the facilitators from Northern Ireland and South Africa, play in the future depends entirely upon the Iraqis. We stand ready to serve if called upon. But the Iraqis are now equipped with a set of tools to bring to reality the prospects of a stable and secure Iraq."

Nancy Riordan, a 2007 John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies MSPA IR graduate, accompanied O'Malley to Helsinki I, II, and Baghdad. Others from UMass Boston who attended Helsinki II are Patricia Peterson, managing editor of the New England Journal of Public Policy; Rajini Srikanth of the English Department; Andrea Crowell, a 2007 MSPA IR graduate; and John Lewis Moore, a 2008 dispute resolution graduate.

Shakespeare (cont.)

says that readers could despair at this lack of consistency, or they can recognize it for what it is: a demand for active interpretation, rather than rote recitation, of Shakespeare's texts.

"There is no definitive Shakespeare," he said, noting that no two of the approximately 200 First Folios in existence are identical. Compounding the mystery is the Third Folio, which contains seven plays not found in any known copy of the First.

"How, 50 years after his death, did Shakespeare's output increase by 20 percent?" Maisano speculates that, as Shakespeare's celebrity increased, "editors wanted to slap his name on anything so they could sell it."

Boiled down to its essence, said Maisano, "All the World's a Page" serves as a show-and-tell.

"These [books] are as close as we can get to Shakespeare himself," he said. "People are drawn to the exhibit by the aura of Shakespeare the author, but once inside the exhibit, they realize that Shakespeare's authority dissolves into all these other questions. If you see three different performances of Hamlet at three different theaters, you see three versions. And the same is true in print: The books themselves shape and influence how and what we think of Shakespeare."

The Boston Public Library's Acting Keeper of Prints, Rare

Books, Manuscripts and Archives, Susan Glover, agrees. "The students' interpretation of Shakespeare and his work illustrates to the public the impact and importance of Shakespeare on subsequent generations of thespians as well as the viewing public."

Additionally, by putting these rarely seen volumes on display, Maisano aims to restore the "bookiness" to tomes which have spent the bulk of their existence locked away in a vault.

"The exhibit gives UMass Boston students and the general public firsthand access to these rare books without the endowment or legacy of a larger institution," he said. "It democratizes, as much as possible, these treasures."

Mayor, Bruin Visit Camp Shriver



Boston mayor Thomas Menino (left) and Boston Bruins legend Bob Sweeney (center) paid a visit in July to Camp Shriver, during which Sweeney presented a check for \$5,000 from the Boston Bruins Foundation to Camp Shriver director Gary Siperstein (right). The visit was just one of the highlights of Camp Shriver's third summer at UMass Boston. (Photo by Harry Brett)



UMass Boston faculty and staff pitched in to help put on the annual Dorchester Beach Festival, held at Malibu Beach on Saturday, August 16. Left to right: Dennis Leigh letting neighbors know about the Urban Harbors Institute; organizing committee co-chair Maureen McQuillen, neighborhood beautification committee chair and senior special assistant at UMass Boston Anne Riley, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Community Relations Gail Hobin, festival co-chair Paul Nutting, and Deirdre Habershaw, president of the Columbia-Savin Hill Civic Association; lining up for free ice cream, courtesy of City Councilor Maureen Feeney. (Photos by Harry Brett)

CAMPUS NOTES

PRESENTATIONS, CONFERENCES, AND LECTURES

Professor of Sociology **Siamak Movahedi** organized and presided over a session on Casino Gambling in Massachusetts at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, held in Boston on August 2. He also presented a paper, "The Old Diagnosis of 'Dangerousness': Should the Designation of 'The Enemy Combatant' become a New Category in DSM-V?" at the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems in Boston on August 2, and another paper, titled "Dress, Fashion and Psychoanalysis," at the annual meeting of the Psyche and Social Conference in Boston on July 31.

Suzanne Ehly of the Department of Performing Arts presented a lecture and workshop, titled "Unleashing Our Voices: Voice, Identity and Leadership," on July 15 at the Interfaith Youth Initiative 2008.

Associate Professor **Margaret McAllister** of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences was recognized at the National Health Service Corp Ambassadors National Meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, from July 24 through 26 for her poster presentation, "The Gnome Method: A Tool for Implementing NP Capstone Quality Improvement Service Learning Projects in Primary Care."

Professor **Rona Flippo** of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the Graduate College of Education made an invited featured presentation to faculty and students at Southern University of New Orleans in June 2008, titled "The 'Expert Study,' Delphi Technique, and Professional Scholarship."

Professor of Psychology **Ed Tronick** presented a seminar titled "Attachment theory: meaning making, social emotional development and therapeutics" at the South African Institute for the Study of Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy in August. Professor and School Psychology

Program Director **Virginia Smith Harvey** co-presented two workshops, titled "Teaching Study Skills and Self-Regulation," with her colleague Louise Chickie-Wolfe at the NASP and American Health Institute Critical Skills and Issues in School Psychology Summer Conference in Atlantic City, New Jersey. The workshops utilized their book *Fostering Independent Learning: Practical Strategies to Promote Student Success*. Harvey also took a prominent role at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association in Boston in August, leading a poster session, titled "Two Investigations into School Psychologist Supervision and Professional Development," and chairing a symposium, titled "Strategies to Facilitate Effective Supervision of School Psychologists." Harvey also coordinated, and presented at, three Supervision Institute events for 55 Massachusetts supervisors of school psychology interns and practicum students.

College of Management assistant professor of management science and information systems **Ehsan Elahi** participated in a Global Supply Chain podcast sponsored by Lexington Insurance Company.

Assistant Professor of Hispanic Studies **Wanda Rivera-Rivera** presented a paper, titled "Confined Subjectivities in Spanish-American Literature: José Martí, César Vallejo, and Francisco Matos Paoli," at the XXXVII Congreso Internacional Instituto Internacional de Literatura Iberoamericana, Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla, Facultad de Filosofía y Letras, held June 24 through 28 in Puebla, Mexico.

Department of Counseling and School Psychology chair **Gonzalo Bacigalupe** presented "Latino families' immigrant health access in Cataluña" at a Fulbright Scholars Poster Session at the American Psychological Association's annual meeting in Boston. He also gave a presentation, "Participatory action research in post-disaster recovery: Collaborating from the start,"

and co-presented "Disaster-related Inquiry" at the 4th International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, held at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Laura Henze Russell, director of the Elders on the Edge Program at the Gerontology Institute, presented the findings of the third in a series of state-based reports by the Gerontology Institute she co-authored in partnership with Wider Opportunities for Women, *The Elder Economic Security Standard Index for Illinois*, at a press conference in Chicago in June 2008 and at a briefing convened by the Illinois Department on Aging.

Assistant Professor of Political Science **Jalal Alamgir** chaired a panel titled "Religion and Politics" and presented a paper on misinterpretations of electoral Islamism at the World International Studies Committee conference in Ljubljana, Slovenia, in July.

Professor Emerita of Community Planning **Marie Kennedy** presented "Latin America's Third Left?" (co-authored with UMass Lowell Professor Chris Tilly) at the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Annual Meeting in San Jose, Costa Rica, on July 3, and moderated a panel on the same topic at the Critical Sociology Conference, "Power and Resistance: Critical Reflections, Possible Future," in Boston on August 3.

Professor of Economics **Randy Albeda** delivered a keynote address at the annual Association for Gender Equity Leadership in Education (AGELE) conference in July.

Associate Professor **Lorna Rivera** of the College of Public and Community Service and Nicole Lavan, PhD Public Policy Program, presented a paper titled "The Impact of Family Literacy on Promoting Parental Involvement Among Latin American Immigrants" at the annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems on August 2.

Assistant Professor of Political Science **C. Heike Schotten** presented two papers at the annual American Political Science Association 2008 conference: "Can Friedrich Nietzsche's Philosophical Critique of Opposite Values Be Claimed as a Weapon for the Weak?" and a second, co-authored with Richard Juang of the National Center for Transgender Equality, "The Good, the Bad, and the Sanctimonious: What Nietzsche's *Genealogy of Morals* Tells Us About Transphobia."

Professor of Music **Jon C. Mitchell** presented a paper titled "Hale and Wind: Philip Hale's Commentaries on Wind Ensemble Works Programmed by the Boston Symphony Orchestra, 1890-1932" at the XVIII Conference of the International Society for the Promotion and Investigation of Wind Music at Eternach, Luxembourg, on July 11.

Director of Academic Support Programs **Mark Pawlak** took part in a literary publisher's panel at the 46th annual Cape Cod Writers Conference, held August 18 at the Craigville Conference Center.

Professor **Felicia Wilczenski** of the Graduate College of Education and graduate students Matthew Smith and Laura Fratangelo presented a workshop, titled "Building Developmental Assets through Service Learning," at the annual meeting of the American School Counselor Association in Atlanta.

Lara Encin-Donovan of the Institute for Community Inclusion coordinated a training session at Holy Cross in Worcester on August 13. "Serving Individuals Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing: Quality Employment Practices" had over 30 participants from various sectors of the vocational rehabilitation field.

Several staffers from the Institute for Community Inclusion played a prominent role in this year's National APSE Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. **Joe Marrone** delivered the closing keynote speech, while

Gil Cote, David Hoff, Sheila Fesko, Diane Loud, and Cecilia Gandolfo all delivered at least one conference workshop.

PUBLICATIONS

Assistant Professor of History **Ruth Miller**'s new book, *The Erotics of Corruption: Law, Scandal, and Political Perversion*, has been published by SUNY Press.

Professor of Public Policy and Public Affairs **Christian Weller** wrote about the need for health insurance and retirement saving reform for the Center for American Progress on July 23, and, as a guest blogger, wrote "McCain Doesn't Want You to Retire" on the Web site The Wonk Room.

Professor of Economics **Mary Huff Stevenson** co-authored *The Urban Experience: Economics, Society, and Public Policy*, an urban policy textbook recently published by Oxford University Press.

Professor Emerita of Community Planning **Marie Kennedy** co-wrote an article, titled "They work here, they live here, they stay here!" about an estimated half-million undocumented immigrants in France for the July 20 edition of *Dollars and Sense*, and published "What About an Anti-Imperialist, Anti-Corporate Planning?" in the Winter 2008 issue of *Progressive Planning*.

College of Management professor **Leon Zurawicki** and Associate Professor **Mohsin Habib**'s paper, "Corruption and Foreign Direct Investment: What Have We Learned?" received the Best Paper Award at the Economics and Business Research Conference in Salzburg, June 2008.

Assistant Professor of Political Science **Erin E. O'Brien**'s book *The Politics of Identity: Solidarity Building Among America's Working Poor* was published in July by the State University of New York Press. Her book appears in Anne Schneider and Helen Ingram's public policy series. Assistant Professor of Political

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Science **Jalal Alamgir** published a research article, “Democratic Performance in Bangladesh, 1991-2006: A Political Measurement,” in *The Journal of Bangladesh Studies*; a review article, “Applied Constructivism Rising,” in *Asia Policy*; and an op-ed piece, “Going Global Seems Tough Journey,” in *China Daily*.

Associate Professor of Management and Marketing **Benjamin Lichtenstein** authored a chapter, titled “Entrepreneurship as Emergence,” which will appear in the *SAGE Handbook of Complexity and Management*, and co-authored with Donde Plowman of the University of Texas a paper titled “Leadership of Emergence: A Complex Systems Leadership Theory of Emergence at Successive Organizational Levels” for an upcoming issue of *Leadership Quarterly*.

Senior lecturer in the Art Department **Carol G. J. Scollans** has published her latest book, *Two Lives: One Passion; the Life and Work of William Jurian Kaula and Lee Lufkin Kaula* with Blue Tree Art Publications.

Assistant Professor of Political Science **C. Heike Schotten** published her article “Nietzsche/Pentheus: The Last Disciple of Dionysus and Queer Fear of the Feminine” in the August 2008 issue of *differences: A Journal of Feminist Cultural Studies*.

Professor of English and College of Liberal Arts Associate Dean **Pamela Annas** published 6 poems recently: Two in *Northwoods Anthology* (April 2008) and one each in *Ibbetson Street* (May 2008), *Bagel Bards Anthology* (April 2008), *Somerville News* (July 2008), and *Istanbul Literary Review* (April 2008).

Assistant Professor of Mathematics **Karen Ricciardi** organized a mini-symposium, titled “Optimization in Water Resources,” at the Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematicians’ meeting on optimization, held May 11 through 13 in Boston. At this symposium, she presented her work in a talk titled “A modified simulated annealing approach for solving constrained optimal groundwater remediation design problems subject to uncertainty.”

Associate Professor of Art **Nancy Stieber** was the Respondent to the session on early-20th-century architecture at the conference “Transfer and Metamorphosis: Architectural Modernity Between Europe and the Americas 1870-1970,” held July 27 in Zurich, Switzerland.

Professor of English **Elsa Auerbach** published “Autonomy and Democracy in Language Education” in *Language Issues*, Volume 19, No. 1, and a chapter, titled “From the Wandering Mind to the Wondering Mind: Strategies for Gaining Control in Foreign Language Reading,” in *Contemporary Issues in Language Education: The Influence of Glo-*

balization on Policy, Pedagogy, and Curriculum.

Environmental, Earth, and Ocean Sciences professor **William Robinson** recently published an article, co-authored with his doctoral student Erika del Castillo, titled “Nuclear and cytosolic distribution of metallothionein in the blue mussel *Mytilus edulis* L.” in *Comparative Biochemistry and Physiology*.

Director of Academic Support Programs **Mark Pawlak**’s commemorative tribute to poet Wilma McDaniel was published in the latest issue of *The Dos Passos Review*, published out of Longwood University, and his poetic journal set in Downeast, Maine, appears in the latest issue (#33) of *Shampoo* magazine.

Undergraduate Gerontology Program Director **Nina M. Silverstein** co-authored an article, “At-risk drivers with Alzheimer’s disease: Recognition, Response, and Referral,” in *Traffic Injury Prevention*, Volume 9, Issue 4.

Gerontology professor **Yung-Ping (Bing) Chen** co-authored “Phased Retirement and Reduced Hours in Late Careers” in *The Work and Family Encyclopedia*, published by the Sloan Foundation.

Public Policy graduate assistant **Talia Kishony**’s article “Bedouin Urbanization Legal Policies in Israel and Jordan: Similar Goals, Contrasting Strategies” was recently published in the journal *Transnational Law & Contemporary Problems*.

EXHIBITS, READINGS, PERFORMANCES, AND RECORDINGS

On July 27, Frederick S. Troy Professor of English **Lloyd Schwartz** gave an introductory talk and took part in a reading of the works of poet Elizabeth Bishop at the New England Poetry Club.

Two orchestral pieces by Professor of Music **David Patterson** were performed this summer at the Joseph Haydn Saal of the University of Music and Performing Arts in Vienna. The Austrian Society for Contemporary Music Orchestra (ÖGZM), conducted by Andreas Hérn Baumgartner, premiered “The Hermit Thrush Orchestra Plays Erik Satie” and “The Hermit Thrush Orchestra Plays Heart and Soul.”

GRANTS, RESEARCH, AND PROJECTS

An archaeological team led by the Fiske Center’s **John Steinberg** made several important discoveries at a historic farm site in Iceland this summer, including the foundation of a long house, and a ring pin and coin dating to the 11th century.

The College of Management, under the leadership of **William Koehler**,

CM’s director of graduate programs, was awarded a four-year, \$440,000 FIPSE grant from the U.S. Department of Education to establish the Transnational Dual Bachelor’s Degree in Information Systems (TRADIS). FIPSE, the Fund for the Improvement of Secondary Education, will allow a cohort of students from four universities—the College of Management, UMass Dartmouth, the University of Applied Sciences in Frankfurt, Germany, and the Kemi-Tornio University of Applied Sciences in Kemi, Finland—to spend a semester together on each campus.

Assistant Professor of Hispanic Studies **Wanda Rivera-Rivera** received a dean’s research grant to conduct research on Cuban prison literature and the role of cultural politics during the Revolution at La Habana, Cuba, in June 2008.

NERCHE has been awarded a grant from the Carnegie Corporation to organize a meeting on “Mapping Opportunities for Cultural and Structural Change within Four-Year Public Institutions: Scaling Up Retention Initiatives for Underserved Students” this fall. Participants will include practitioners from cross-institutional positions and perspectives, including senior leadership, faculty, staff, and students from underrepresented groups from four-year public institutions in New England.

The Center for Collaborative Leadership has received a grant for \$25,000 from State Street Corporation to work on a project to solicit and publish the voices of emerging leaders about their thoughts on leadership and the challenges leaders face. Authors are from the Center’s Emerging Leaders Program (ELP) and represent the major business, nonprofit, and governmental organizations in the Greater Boston region.

Center for Social Policy research director **Françoise Carré** and a CSP team have been awarded a grant from the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation for a national evaluation of alternative staffing services.

APPOINTMENTS AND HONORS

Assistant Professor of Hispanic Studies **Wanda Rivera-Rivera** was invited to be a member of the external editorial board of *Revista Cayey*, an interdisciplinary academic journal hosted by the University of Puerto Rico in Cayey.

Two Massachusetts high school students who were sponsored by the Confucius Institute and the Chinese Consulate in New York placed second in the world in the first annual “Chinese Bridge” World High School Student Chinese Contest, held in Jinan City in China.

Professor Emerita of Community Planning **Marie Kennedy** has been

appointed visiting professor in the Urban Planning Department at the University of California Los Angeles.

and Special Projects and Programs, were co-recipients of the UMass President Wilson’s Grant for Creative Economies. They will be working

CM Founder Retires, But His Name Will Remain



Professor Peter McClure (above), a founding faculty member of the College of Management, retired at the end of the academic year with a new title of Professor Emeritus, the first for CM. A May 9 luncheon also celebrated the establishment of the Peter J. McClure Faculty Research Fellowship on the Management of a Diverse Workforce. (Photo by Harry Brett)

A paper co-authored by Management and Marketing Professors **Leon Zurawicki** and **Mohsin Habib**, titled “Corruption and Foreign Direct Investment: What Have We Learned?” received the Best Paper Award at the Economics and Business Research Conference, held in Salzburg, Austria, in June.

Associate Professor of Art **Nancy Stieber** spent the spring semester as a fellow in residence at the Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in Wassenaar, the Netherlands, working on a book about Dutch modern architecture commissioned by Reaktion Books (London).

Robert Weiner, graduate program director in the international relations track of the McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies, has been invited to participate in the *Global Integrity Report: 2008* fieldwork as a peer reviewer for Moldova and Romania. Global Integrity is a prize-winning Washington-based NGO which generates, synthesizes, and disseminates credible, comprehensive, and timely information on governance and corruption trends around the world.

Professor **Rona Flippo** of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the Graduate College of Education was honored as a Sustaining Member of the College Reading Association (CRA) and featured in their Spring/Summer 2008 newsletter, *Reading News*.

Professor **Joan Arches** of the College of Public and Community Service, and the Division of Athletics, Recreation,

with the Division of Student Affairs to enlist service-learning students in a community-university partnership, which will look at the role of arts in enhancing social-emotional development and literacy in preschoolers.

Assistant Professor of Computer Science **Duc Tran** received the Best Paper Award at the 27th IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications and Networks (ICCCN 2008), held in August. The paper, “Publish/Subscribe Service in CAN-based P2P Networks: Dimension Mismatch and The Random Projection Approach” (co-authored with Thinh Nguyen of Oregon State University), was the only paper to win such an award at the conference, making it the top paper out of 400 submitted.

In July, Biology Department greenhouse manager **Jim Allen** and university photographer **Harry Brett** served as judges in Boston Mayor Thomas Menino’s 12th annual City of Boston Garden Contest. An awards ceremony was held at the Boston Public Garden on August 21, where the winners received trophies and certificates.

EVENTS

The McCormack School’s Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy released its latest report on June 26 at the Massachusetts State House. The report, “Parenting from Prison: Family Relationships of Incarcerated Women in Massachusetts,” documents the unique challenges that face mothers as they parent from prison.

Senior lecturer in the Art Department **Carol G. J. Scollans** curated an

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exhibition of the work of early-20th-century Boston painters William Jurian Kaula and Lee Lufkin Kaula at the Sharon Arts Center in Peterborough, New Hampshire, in July. The show coincided with the publication of her recent book on the artists. She also gave a lecture about the artists at the Center's gallery on July 26.

The Massachusetts Office of Dispute Resolution & Public Collaboration (MODR) led a number of conferences and workshops over the summer: An agricultural mediation orientation and training, in partnership with the Rhode Island Agricultural Mediation Program administered by the Community Mediation Center of Rhode Island (CMCRI), on June 4; a "Best Practices in Dispute Resolution" conference with the Boston Municipal Court, the Administrative Office of the Trial Court, and the Trial Court Standing Committee on Dispute Resolution on June 18; a series of workshops on deliberative dialogue practices, engaging public leaders as conveners and sponsors of collaborative processes, and conflict early warning systems to a group of Nigerian officials visiting UMass Boston on June 24; and a Conflict Resolution Skills Training with the Administrative Office of the Trial Court and the Trial Court Standing Committee on Dispute Resolution on June 26. MODR also held a kickoff event on June 27 at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum to announce the 2008 National Issues Forum Series, being convened in September and October by the library and MODR. Similar series are being held at all twelve Presidential Libraries this fall as part of a collaborative project between the Kettering Foundation of Dayton, Ohio, and the National Archives and Records Administration. This kick-off event was held in conjunction with the library's "Our Government in Action," an annual professional development program for teachers.

IN THE NEWS

Professor Emerita of Art **Ruth Butler's** new book, *Hidden in the Shadow of the Master: The Model-Wives of Cezanne, Monet, & Rodin*, was noted in the June 22 *Boston Globe*.

Dean of the McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies **Steve Crosby's** participation in a special panel which recommended pay raises for state politicians and judges was noted in the June 19 *Boston Globe*. Crosby was quoted in a July 28 Springfield, Massachusetts *Republican* story about that panel's recommendation to suspend a law which ties judicial pay raises to automatic pay raises to court clerks. Crosby was also quoted in the *Boston Globe* in a July 3 story, "Open seats offer hope," about predictions by state Republican leaders of an unusually large number of competitive electoral races this fall.

Professor of Political Science **Paul Watanabe** was quoted in a June 24 *Patriot Ledger* story, "South Shore

has little racial diversity," and in the *Boston Globe* on August 3 in a story about a shift in Boston's racial demographics, "Majority-minority no more?," in an August 4 *Boston Globe* article about Senate President Therese Murray, and again in the *Boston Globe* on August 15 in a story about speculation surrounding whether Gov. Patrick would take a position in a potential Obama administration. Watanabe's scheduled address at IDEAS Boston 2008 conference in October was also noted on the *Wall Street Journal*-affiliated Web site, Marketwatch.

American Studies Department chairman **Lois Rudnick's** receipt of the Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Teaching was noted in a June 24 *Boston Globe* story.

The appointment of former vice chancellor for government relations and public affairs **Arthur Bernard** to the position of senior policy advisor to Massachusetts governor Deval Patrick was noted in the June 19 *Dorchester Reporter*.

Environmental, Earth, and Ocean Sciences chair **Jack Looney** was quoted in a July 3 *Boston Globe* feature about maps, titled "Taking maps in a new direction."

Joan Hyde and **Frank Caro** from the Gerontology Institute were featured in a *University of Florida News* story on July 9 about the book "The Assisted Living Residence: A Vision for the Future," which Hyde co-edited.

Professor of Public Policy **Alan Clayton-Matthews** was quoted in a July 18 *Boston Globe* story about the state economy, "Mass. Jobless rate rises to 5.2%," in the *Boston Herald* in a July 20 story about Massachusetts residents who are seeking jobs, "Fuel, food two hard to handle," and in an August 18 *Worcester Business Journal* story about commercial "flex" space in greater Boston.

Professor of Management and Marketing **Martin Calkins** was quoted in a July 18 *Pueblo Chieftain* (Colorado) story about the rising costs of gasoline, diesel, and crude oil and how China is impacting the increase.

UMass Boston's role as co-organizer of the Mass. Memories Road Show in September was noted in the July 18 *Natick Bulletin*.

Gerontology Institute chairman **Ellen Bruce** was quoted in a July 20 *Boston Herald* article, "Brandeis eyes aging masters."

The Nantucket Field Station's co-sponsorship of the Nantucket Family Adventure, in which families explore the island's conservation lands, was featured in the June 18 *Nantucket Independent*.

A report about the academic achievements of Latino students in the Bos-

ton Public Schools, prepared by the Mauricio Gastón Institute for Latino Community Development and Public Policy, was featured in the June 23 *Boston Globe*.

Stephanie Moura, executive director of the UMass Boston-based Massachusetts Ocean Partnership Fund, was interviewed on the July 20 edition of the public radio program *Living on Earth*.

A visit by Acting U.S. Surgeon General Rear Admiral Steven Galson to GoKids Boston, where he presented GoKids with a Champion Award for its work in fighting childhood obesity, was previewed by the State House News Service on June 27, and featured in the *Patriot Ledger* on June 30, the *Boston Globe* on July 1, and the *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Childhood Obesity Digest* on July 13.

Professor of Anthropology **Amy Den Ouden** was quoted in *Indian Country Today* on August 15 in the story, "Hundreds mourn passing of Golden Hill Paugussett Chief."

John Joseph Moakley Professor of Peace and Reconciliation **Padraig O'Malley's** role in co-organizing peace talks in Iraq in early July was covered by the *Worcester Telegram and Gazette* and Canada's *National Post* on July 8, in the *Dorchester Reporter* on July 10, and in the *Boston Globe* on July 15.

A 2007 UMass Boston study about a lack of diversity in corporate boardrooms in Massachusetts was cited in a July 4 *Boston Business Journal* article.

Urban Harbors Institute director **Jack Wiggin** was interviewed on WGBH's *Greater Boston* on July 7 about a new EPA regulation banning boats from dumping sewage into Boston Harbor.

The Urban Harbors Institute's work in Falmouth was noted in a *Cape Cod Times* story, "Committee Wants Residents' Opinions on Green Pond Management Plan."

A study by the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy on the state's female prison population and their children was featured in the *MetroWest Daily News* on June 29.

Professor of Public Policy and Public Affairs **Christian Weller** was interviewed by WBZ Radio on July 29 about the state of the economy and its effect on homeowners, and was quoted in a July 28 *Investment News* story about a Senate bill which would limit borrowing from 401(k) accounts. Additionally, Weller's policy report on the need for 401(k) reform was cited in more than 180 news outlets.

A study by UMass Boston on the positive impact of immigrant-owned businesses on economically depressed neighborhoods was cited in a June 29

Milford Daily News column, "The Value of Immigrants."

A 2003 report by the Mauricio Gastón Institute for Latino Community Development and Public Policy which said that war, poverty, and natural disasters have contributed to an increase in emigration from Central America to the United States was cited in *South Coast Today* on June 29.

recently won the Amgen Award for Science Teaching Excellence.

UMass Boston's participation in a program to aid businesses in Haiti was noted in the June 30 *Boston Business Journal*.

Professor of Chemistry **Stuart Licht** and his colleagues were the subject of a July 21 *Chemistry World* feature about their development of a vanadium boride-air fuel cell with a much larger energy capacity than current vehicle batteries. The team's work

GCE Dean Honored by Ohio State



Associate Dean of the Graduate College of Education **Felicia L. Wilczenski** has been selected as a John Glenn Scholar in Service-Learning by the John Glenn School of Public Affairs at The Ohio State University. Wilczenski was recognized for her book *A Practical Guide to Service Learning: Strategies for Positive Development in Schools*, and her promotion of service learning in K-12 education. (Photo by Harry Brett)

was also featured in the July 26 issue of *Economic Times* (India).

Professor of Finance **Atreya Chakraborty** was quoted in a July 23 *Boston Globe* article, "Can state's financial firms dodge the bullet?"

The New England Ethnic News, based at the McCormack School's Center on Media and Society, was the subject of a feature in the summer issue of *Commonwealth Magazine*.

The appointment of former senior associate director of athletics and recreation for business operations **Patrick T. Burns** to the role of athletic director for Mansfield High School was noted in the *Mansfield News and Enterprise* on July 22.

A dig by faculty and students from the Andrew Fiske Memorial Center for Archaeological Research at the Boston-Higginbotham House on Nantucket was featured in the July 23 *Nantucket Independent*.

Associate Vice Provost for Academic Support **Joan Becker** and John Jo-

A study released by the Labor Resource Center was the subject of a July 14 article in *New England Construction*, titled "Unions Better at Recruiting Women, Minorities."

Writer's workshops focusing on the work of author Grace Paley, run by the William Joiner Center for the Study of War and Social Consequences, were the subject of a July 6 feature in the *Somerville News*.

Research by the Gerontology Institute about the financial struggles of seniors was cited in the Wisconsin newspapers *Capital Times*, the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, the *Daily Kenoshan*, the *Chetek Alert*, and the *Lakeland Times*.

Associate Professor of Curriculum and Instruction **Hannah Sevian** was quoted in the *Wilmington Advocate* on July 9 in a story about Kristen Cacciatore, a local high school teacher and student of Sevian who

Events are open to the public and free unless otherwise noted. Send listings to news@umb.edu.

Tuesday 2

Women's Soccer

3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. The Beacons take on Eastern Nazarene College. Also playing Emerson College on Saturday the 6th at 11 a.m. Call 7-7831 for more information.

Wednesday 3

Men's Soccer

7 p.m. – 9 p.m., vs. Fitchburg State College. Also playing Brandeis University on Saturday the 6th at 12:30 p.m., and Suffolk University on Tuesday the 9th at 3:30 p.m. Call 7-7831 for more information.

College of Management Senior Executive Forum

5 p.m. – 6 p.m., Campus Center, third floor, room 3540. Judith Teed Sweeney '78 of Judy Sweeney Research will speak about IT marketing. Call Mary Ann Machanic at 7-7734 for more information.

Thursday 4

Island Adventure to Spectacle Island

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., departs from Fox Point Docks. Also Thursday the 18th. The adventure begins with a 20-minute narrated cruise through Boston Harbor. Disembark the *M/V Columbia Point* and explore the island, or try a free kayaking lesson in a lifeguarded cove. \$5 with UMass ID, \$10 without. For details, call 7-5404.

Friday 5

Cross Country

4 p.m. – 6 p.m., vs. Fitchburg State College.

Monday 8

2008 Convocation

8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., Campus Center.

Harbor Cruise

12 noon – 1:15 p.m., departs from Fox Point Docks. Mondays through September 29.

Saturday 13

Boston Folk Festival Songwriting Contest Finals

6 p.m. – 9 p.m., Science Building, Lipke Auditorium. More information at www.bostonfolkfestival.org.

Sunday 14

Boston Folk Festival

11 a.m. – 7 p.m., Field Stage on front soccer field; Coffeehouse Stage near Fox Point Dock. Music, children's activities, crafts, and food vendors. More information at bostonfolkfestival.org.

Tuesday 16

Forum: Building Partnerships, Knowledge & Power to Advance Equitable Societies

8:15 a.m. – 2 p.m., Campus Center Ballroom. This forum will explore how NGO learning exchanges can advance social change and innovation within the third sector in Greater Boston and around the globe. Call 7-5550 for more information. Co-sponsored by the Center for Social Policy.

Monday 22

Accounting & Finance Career Fair

4 p.m. – 7 p.m., Campus Center, Ballroom, third floor. Firms from across the state will welcome students in an information and resume-screening event. Contact Tom Patria 7-7712 for more details on how to register for the career fair.

Tuesday 23

The Helsinki Principles: Framing the Debate in Iraq

6 p.m., John F. Kennedy Library. Lecture by Pdraig O'Malley, the John Joseph Moakley Chair of Peace and Reconciliation at the John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies.

Friday 26

Global Approaches to Licensing and Older Driver Safety and Mobility

11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m., Ryan Lounge, McCormack Building. Panel discussion and luncheon sponsored by

the Gerontology Institute. RSVP by September 18 to Timothy O'Donnell at 7-7320.

Saturday 27

Native American Pow-Wow Gathering

10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Campus Center Lawn. Also Sunday from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Native American Student Society (NASS) and the Department of Anthropology organize their first Pow-Wow for the Fall Semester. Contact Shelby Harris at 7-7934 for more information.

Tuesday 30

Master Class with Robert J. Manning

4 p.m. – 5:15 p.m., Campus Center, third floor, Ballroom. Manning, the CEO, president, and chief investment officer of MFS Investment Management, will talk to College of Management students about the dynamics and the current state of the financial services industry. Contact Mary Ann Machanic at 7-7734 for more information.

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soph Moakley Professor of Peace and Reconciliation **Pdraig O'Malley** were quoted in a July 27 *Boston Globe* article, "In Belfast and Boston, facing life after violent death."

WUMB's new music director, **John Laurenti**, was profiled in the July 26 *Boston Globe*.

Andrew Fiske Memorial Center for Archaeological Research staffer **Leith Smith** was quoted in a July 26 *MetroWest Daily News* feature, "They dig Christopher Gore."

Associate Professor of Curriculum and Instruction **Lisa Gonsalves** was quoted in a July 29 *Boston Globe* feature, "Randolph charts new course with UMass students."

Associate Professor of Africana Studies **Marc Prou** was quoted in the Haitian newspaper *Le Nouvelliste* about the Haitian Studies Association, its conference in Haiti, and the linkages the HSA has been trying to forge between Haitians at home and "Haitianists" abroad.

The world premiere of Veterans Upward Bound program director **Barry Brodsky's** new play, *The Boys of Winter* (co-written with Dean B. Kaner and Eric Small), was mentioned on Playbill.com on July 29.

Professor of Environmental, Earth, and Ocean Sciences **Robert E. Bowen's** appearance at New Bedford's Ocean Voice Speaker Series was noted in *South Coast Today* on July 31.

Assistant Professor of Environmental, Earth, and Ocean Sciences **Allen Gontz** was mentioned in a July 30 *Eagle Tribune* story about Gontz's work with Quincy police to try to find the body of a girl missing since 1980.

Professor of Economics **Ellen Frank** was quoted in a Kansas City info-Zine Web article on the economic policies of Barack Obama on July 29, and on the Web site Real News Network on July 31 in the story "What will real economic change look like?"

Chancellor **J. Keith Motley** was quoted in a July 31 *Boston Globe* story about students and parents who are being affected by turbulence in the college loan market.

Professor of Applied Linguistics **Donald Macedo** was quoted in a July 30 *Boise Weekly* story about teachers in schools that cater largely to Hispanic students.

Sarah Oktay, director of the Nantucket Field Station, and Associate Professor of Biology **Gregory Beck** were quoted in the *Nantucket Independent* on July 31 in a story about an increase in jellyfish in local coastal waters.

Professor of Political Science **Thomas Ferguson** was mentioned in an August 5 *Chronicle of Higher Education* story about scholars who have signed a letter to Barack Obama, "Leftist Scholars Sign Letter Urging Obama Not to Veer to Center."

The appointment of Professor **Carroy U. "Cuf" Ferguson** as interim administrator and acting dean of the College of Public and Community Service was noted in the August 2 *Medford Transcript*.

Africana Studies associate professor **Marc Prou's** work this summer in Haiti for the Haitian Studies Association was the subject of a July article in the Haitian newspaper *Le Nouvelliste*.

College of Management professor **Leon Zurawicki** was quoted by the Brazilian newspaper *O Estado de Sao Paulo* on the future of corruption in Russia.

Assistant Professor of Political Science **Erin E. O'Brien** appeared on NPR's "All Things Political" on July 21 to discuss immigration reform, Obama's overseas trip, energy policy, and the struggling economy.

Laura Henze Russell, director of the Elders on the Edge Program at the Gerontology Institute, was quoted in the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston's Spring 2008 *Communities and Banking* article "The Golden Years Dilemma," which focuses on the challenges for house rich/cash poor seniors. Russell was also quoted in an article in the *DeKalb Daily Chronicle* on the third in a series of state-based reports by the Gerontology Institute she co-authored in partnership with Wider Opportunities for Women, *The Elder Economic Security Standard Index for Illinois*, which was also the subject of a *Chicago Tribune* editorial.

Paige Ransford, senior researcher at the McCormack School's Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy, appeared on Neighborhood Network News on July 2 and was interviewed for WUML's Sunrise radio program on July 16 about the recently released report "Parenting from Prison: Family Relationships of Incarcerated Women in Massachusetts." Ransford was also quoted in the *MetroWest Daily News* on June 29 about the needs, challenges, and opportunities related to incarcerated women's relationships with family members, especially their children.

Senior Associate Director of Financial Aid **Teresa Jardon** was interviewed by WBZ Radio on July 28 about students affected by the decision by the Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority to not provide private loans.

Associate Director of the Center for Democracy and Development **Michael Keating** was quoted in *Dissident Voice* on August 20 about a report by the Rwandan Ministry of Justice accusing the government of France of direct involvement in the Rwandan genocide of 1994, which claimed the lives of nearly 800,000 people.

2006 JFK Winner Recognized Once More



UMass Boston alumna and 2006 John F. Kennedy Award winner **Catherine Reyes** (above, with **Winston Langley**, interim provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs) has been awarded a 2008 Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Graduate Scholarship. This scholarship, called the "American Rhodes," will fund her education at Harvard Medical School. Reyes intends to become a primary care physician for members of immigrant and minority communities either in the United States or abroad. (Photo by Harry Brett)