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Class of 2003 celebrates 'best day of the year'

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Undaunted by overcast skies and a slight delay caused by traffic tie-ups on roads leading to campus, the Class of 2003 celebrated its academic success during the 133rd Undergraduate Commencement ceremony held at McGuirk Alumni Stadium.

As an estimated 22,000 guests watched from the bleachers and seats on the field, President William M. Bulger conferred 4,305 degrees in nearly 100 majors to students from 42 states and 28 countries.

"It's the best day of the year," Chancellor John V. Lombardi told the graduates, "when we assemble together as a university and recognize what our students have done. We recognize what our institution is capable of doing and we recognize the tremendous amount of support and assistance that's necessary to make all of this happen.

"This is the moment when we march in together in our penguin suits, all looking alike. We do it to symbolize that the knowledge that we cultivate and care about here belongs to all of us. ... no matter who we are, no matter where we come from or what

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our objectives are in life."

But the chancellor, presiding over his first Commencement since taking office last summer, said the uniformity of the graduates' caps and gowns contrasted with their individual aspirations and accomplishments during their years of study.

"I come here to celebrate what you achieved," said Lombardi. "This university is better for your participation in it and all of us thank you very much for that."

Extending his own congratulations to the seniors, their families and the faculty, Bulger then addressed a plea to the graduates: "Remember the University. Become its advocates. Let us rely upon you as part of our constituency as we make the case for the University in the various forums in which we must make our case successfully

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Stan Sherer photo

Students from the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences jump for joy at Sunday's Commencement. More photos, pages 4-5.

Scaled-back bond issue approved by Romney aide

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A scaled-down bond issue for capital projects across the University system was approved this week by the Romney administration.

The \$133.2 million package was submitted earlier this month by President William M. Bulger after a planned \$371.2 million bond issue was revoked by state Secretary of Administration and Finance Eric Kriss, who called the plan fiscally irresponsible. The revised project list, which does not include \$237.9 million for two residence halls and a dining commons at UMass Boston,

was approved following a review of the plan ordered by Kriss.

"We are satisfied that the issuance of this level of debt is prudent and financially supportable," Kriss said this week.

Kriss added that the revised project list also places greater emphasis on funding for deferred maintenance projects, which he said should be a priority.

The bonds, to be issued through the University of Massachusetts Building Authority, will provide \$82.4 million for projects at the Amherst campus, including \$26.3 million for an integrated science building. Other funds will be used for

building and road repairs and fire alarm and elevator maintenance.

The bond package also will generate \$39.7 million for a parking garage at UMass Boston, \$9 million for a parking garage at the Lowell campus, and \$2.15 million for athletic fields and a building project at UMass Dartmouth.

The Romney administration's approval was welcomed by Bulger, who said the projects will "enhance the teaching, research and student life" on the four campuses.

In his statement, Bulger called the inter-
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Nursing dean also to head SPHHS on interim basis

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A national search for a new dean of the School of Public Health and Health Sciences (SPHHS) took an abrupt turn this week as Eileen Breslin, dean of the School of Nursing, was named to head SPHHS on an interim basis.

Charlena Seymour, interim senior vice chancellor for Academic Affairs and provost, who made the announcement, said a task force will be established during the

summer to discuss a merger of the two schools.

"It was in the best interest of all parties involved to hire a dean who is familiar with the school, the campus, and the disciplines," said Seymour.

"Based on dean



Eileen Breslin

Breslin's past performance, I am very confident that she will move both schools to higher levels."

Beginning in April, four candidates were brought to campus to meet with SPHHS faculty, staff and students as well as campus administrators and the search committee. The interviews concluded earlier this month.

Breslin became dean of the School of Nursing in 1998. Before coming to UMass,
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Chronicle summer publication schedule

With this issue, The Campus Chronicle shifts to a biweekly summer schedule. Production information is listed below.

Issue date	Period covered	Deadline
May 30	May 30-June 13	May 23
June 13	June 13-27	June 6
June 27	June 27-July 11	June 20
July 11	July 11-25	July 3*
July 25	July 25-Aug. 8	July 18
Aug. 8	Aug. 8-22	Aug. 1
Aug. 22	Aug. 22-29	Aug. 15

*Early deadline due to holiday



Stan Sherer photo

Drinks for two

Juniors Barbara Higgins and Matt Petrie pause outside Herter Hall. Petrie is carrying a cardboard Sprite bottle that was used as a prop during a photo session at the Minuteman sculpture.

Athletics

Spiders edge UMass in A-10 baseball

The University of Richmond Spiders won two straight games against the Minutemen last week to capture the Atlantic 10 conference title and advance to the NCAA tournament.

In the opening game on Thursday in Richmond, UMass had only four hits as the host team won 8-0. Minuteman pitcher Eric Chown allowed six earned runs on 10 hits in 7-1/3 innings as his record dropped to 7-4.

The second game of the best of three series was scheduled for Friday, but heavy rains pushed the game to Saturday, giving both teams an extra day's rest. But the respite wasn't enough to revive the Minutemen, who lost 7-4. Sophomore lefthander Keith Doherty took the loss, allowing four runs and five hits in just two-thirds of an inning before giving way to freshman righthander Matt Torra. Over the next 8-1/3 innings, Torra held the Spiders to six hits and three runs.

Second baseman Cullan Maumus had two hits, a stolen base, a run and an RBI for UMass. Third baseman Matt Reynolds also drove in a run.

Coach Mike Stone's team finished the season at 26-19. Three of his players — Chown, Reynolds and freshman outfielder Frank Curreri — were named to the All-Atlantic 10 championship team.

OIT expands and extends license for WebCT

This summer, the Office of Information Technologies (OIT) will upgrade to a full Campus Edition of WebCT, a Web-based tool for creating and maintaining course Web sites.

OIT has licensed WebCT for the next three years because it provides the most flexible solution for faculty who want to create an online component for their on-campus courses. This upgrade provides a new interface, unlimited student accounts, and features that will help connect WebCT with the student information systems on campus. The new license will be in effect through 2006 and will allow any course taught to students on campus to have a WebCT site associated with it.

For faculty who want technology to make things easier, WebCT simplifies the

process of posting course materials, schedules, and assignments on the Web. WebCT provides a site structure and Web-based tools that enable faculty to easily enter their course content. WebCT also provides a class roster and a suite of tools to organize student information. Student information and grades can be recorded, calculated, and exchanged with Excel or other data software. Because each student registered in a course uses their individual OIT account to access the WebCT course site, interim and final grades can be displayed to students online without compromising the privacy of other students.

For faculty who want technology to enhance learning, WebCT makes it easy to add tools for assessment, communication

and collaboration over the Web. Quizzes and surveys help support and assess student learning; online chats and bulletin boards allow students to exchange ideas and debate points outside of class; presentation areas can be used by groups or individuals to post and exchange files over the Web. Course content can be easily organized into modules that can be searched and annotated by students. All of these tools are easy to configure, allowing faculty to devote their time to creating content or reviewing student work, not developing the tools.

Faculty who are interested in learning more about WebCT can contact OIT Academic Computing at 7-0072 or visit the WebCT support site (www.umass.edu/webct/).

On June 25-27, Academic Computing is offering a series of workshops on WebCT (www.umass.edu/webct/instructor/training_help/workshops.html). Academic Computing also welcomes faculty who are curious about WebCT to come in for individual demonstrations or consulting to see if it will help meet their objectives.

Mathematics contest winners saluted

Second time was the charm for Nicholas Richard, who won second place in last year's Mathematics Competition, but came back this spring to finish ahead of 50 other entrants and capture the \$1,600 first prize.

The sophomore Electrical Engineering major and six other top finishers in the two-hour, 10-question competition in early April were honored May 1 during an awards ceremony hosted by the Depart-

ment of Mathematics and Statistics.

Physics major Edward Slavich received \$1,000 as the second place finisher and Byn Choi, a Computer Science major, took third place for \$400. Choi and Slavich are both first-year students.

Four contestants also received \$100 honorable mention prizes: Electrical Engineering student Sean Jacobs, Computer Science majors Vitaliy Lvin and Subhash Patel, and Chemical Engineering major Tszieung To.

The competition, which is open to all freshmen and sophomores interested in solving critical mathematics problems, was launched in 1986. To date, no contestant has received a perfect score.

Corporate sponsors for the competition were Microsoft Research, Nukove Scientific Consulting, Solutions By Computer, State Street Global Advisors and Sun Life Financial.

Mathematics and Statistics Department head Bruce Turkington presided at the ceremony. Professor Haskell Cohen described the competition and professor Eleanor Killam presented the awards.

Letters policy

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New WORLD Theater opens summer season

New WORLD Theater opens its summer season June 13-14 with "An Evening of Women Poets" at 8 p.m. in the Experimental Theater at Amherst College.

Billed as an evening of cultural politics, poetry, spoken word and music that breaks poetry's traditional borders, the program will feature an eclectic cast engaged in genre-bending experiments that push language and performance to their limits.

Scheduled participants include performance pioneer Rha Goddess; award-winning playwright, director and poet Magdalena Gomez; vocalist, violinist and composer Terry Jenoure; Dawn Lundy Martin, the Poetry Society of America's 2003 National Chapbook fellow; composer Nioka Workman; vocalist, drummer and dancer Irene Shakily; avant-garde theater artist Laurie Carlos; and the winner of New WORLD Theater's Open Mic Slam, Lenelle Moise.

Tickets are \$12 general public, \$8 for low-income patrons and senior citizens and \$5 for students with ID. To reserve tickets, call 542-2277.

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Moscardelli wins APSA Congressional Fellowship

Assistant professor of Political Science Vincent G. Moscardelli has been awarded an American Political Science Association Congressional Fellowship for the 2003-04 academic year.

The program, established in 1953, allows five or six early- to mid-career political scientists to serve on congressional staffs each year. The fellowship will take Moscardelli to Washington in the fall, where he will participate in an orientation and then spend the succeeding months working in two different staff positions, one with a senator and the other with a member of the House of Representatives. With the other fellows, he also will participate in a Wilson Center program of seminars with

the House parliamentarian and staff of the General Accounting Office, the Congressional Budget Office and the Office of Legislative Counsel.

Moscardelli's dissertation at Emory University examined Senate committee chairs' ability to influence the legislative process by using their authority to influence the choice of other members who will serve on their committee, assign committee staff, create or abolish subcommittees, modify subcommittee agendas, and seek expansions of their own committee's areas of competence. He plans to use his fellowship year to advance this research as well as to enrich his general understanding of how Congress



Vincent G. Moscardelli

functions.

"The Congressional Fellowship is a highly competitive program, and winning one is national recognition as an up-and-coming scholar in the field of legislative studies," said M.J. Peterson, who chairs the Political Science Department.

Moscardelli joined the faculty in 1998.

Graduate School confers 1,200 degrees

Barbara Pitoniak
NEWS OFFICE STAFF

More than 1,200 advanced degrees were conferred during the Graduate School's Commencement ceremony on May 24 at the Mullins Center. More than 500 of those eligible to receive degrees attended the ceremony, accepting their diplomas to the cheers of approximately 4,000 family members and friends.

James Walker Jr., interim dean of the Graduate School, offered a welcome and congratulations to the members of the graduate class of 2003, noting they were "poised to become the intellectual leaders" of the Commonwealth and the nation. Chancellor John V. Lombardi and President William M. Bulger each briefly addressed the candidates.

Lombardi described graduate education as "one of the defining

characteristics" of the nation's great public institutions of higher learning. Its participants, he said, are "people who have chosen to become specialists in their field." Further, Lombardi said, "students who pursue graduate studies provide a level of quality and contribution to the Commonwealth that is unparalleled," and that is "where it is that we have a defining characteristic of what justifies our investment" in the University.

Bulger called the graduate candidates "our very best and most important ambassadors." He noted that all had a "story to tell," of personal struggle that entailed balancing family and work responsibilities with the demands of pursuing graduate studies. "We have to recognize that this would not have been possible without a public university,"

Bulger said.

Ernesto Zedillo, president of Mexico from 1994-2000, received an honorary doctor of laws degree during the ceremony. Zedillo, who also held several other positions with the national government of Mexico, is now professor of international economics and politics at Yale University, where he directs the Center for the Study of Globalization. He was cited for his support of the partnership between the University and Mexico's Instituto Nacional de Astrofisica to build the world's largest radio telescope, a \$90 million project nearing completion in Puebla, Mexico.

The recipients of the Samuel F. Conti Faculty Fellowship Awards, the Distinguished Teaching Awards, and the Distinguished Academic Outreach Awards were recognized during the ceremony.

Stockbridge School awards 110 degrees

Patrick J. Callahan
NEWS OFFICE STAFF

Associate's degrees were conferred on 110 students in six majors as the Stockbridge School of Agriculture held its 81st Commencement on May 24 in Bowker Auditorium.

Chancellor John V. Lombardi told the graduates that the Stockbridge School of Agriculture "stands at the center of our land-grant mission." Lombardi said the school is filled with energetic students and faculty and noted that since the founding of the University, "graduates of the school have helped keep the flame of our land-grant school alive."

Keynote speaker Kevin John Hollister, a member of the Stockbridge Class of 1978 and a Uni-

versity alumnus, told the graduates that much has happened to him since he earned his associate's degree in Landscape Operations 25 years ago. He said he worked at various nurseries around New England and New York and loved his work. After an industrial accident in 1986, he re-

"Think big. Dream big. And remember that you are the architect of your destiny."

NANCY L. GARRABRANTS,
DIRECTOR OF THE STOCKBRIDGE
SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE

turned to UMass where he earned a B.S. in Urban Forestry and a vocational teaching certificate in 1991. "As you go through life, you will experience changes," Hollister said. "You've got to look for the good in things. If you're unhappy with what you are doing, change it. Life is too short to dawdle." He urged

graduates to maintain a strong family life and to get involved with their local communities. Hollister recently changed careers again and is a substitute teacher in the Colrain K-6 school system where his three children attend.

Nancy L. Garrabrants, director of the Stockbridge School, presided at the ceremonies. Cleve E. Willis, dean of the College of Natural Resources and the Environment, told the graduates, "Congratulations. Celebrate in moderation. Keep in touch."

Garrabrants told the graduates that although they have already accomplished much, their lives will be even busier and more full of challenges in years to come. "Think big. Dream big. And remember that you are the architect of your destiny," she advised the graduates.

Several students also received awards during the program, including the John W. Denison and Roland H. Verbeck awards, and the members of the LEAR Society, the Stockbridge honor society, also were recognized.

Bulger implores grads to be advocates for UMass

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if others are to enjoy the kind of day that today we are enjoying so much."

The student speaker, Theater and English major Matt Dunphy, overcame some initial nervousness and microphone problems to charm the audience and his classmates with a speech sprinkled with wisdom from his kindergarten teacher to Walt Disney, playwright Tom Stoppard and Dr. Seuss.

Quoting a character he played in Stoppard's "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead" during the semester, Dunphy said, "'Look on every exit as an entrance somewhere else' and really, isn't that what brings us all together here ... As much as this day may feel like an end, in reality aren't we really just getting started?"

At one point, Dunphy paused as a beach ball was batted around by the graduates on the field in front of him. "I love this place," he said.

Regardless of how each of his classmates spent their undergraduate years, he said, "We are who we are today because of our time at UMass."

Recalling a passage from Dr. Seuss' "Oh the Places You Will Go," Dunphy said, "You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction that you choose. You're on your own and you know what you know and you are the one who will decide where to go."

In a final homage to his stage training, Dunphy said, "The University of Massachusetts has prepared us. They have given us our costumes and they have helped us rehearse our lines. This is our beautiful sweeping exit from one grand stage and our mo-

tivated, educated entrance onto an even grander stage: the rest of the world. Mr. Bulger? Mr. Lombardi? We're ready for our close-up."

Honorary degrees were conferred on two alumni: Kathleen A. Cote, managing partner of Boston Commerce Ventures, and Steven M. Gluckstern, founding managing director of Azimuth Alternative Asset Management.

The ceremony also featured the inaugural presentation of the 21st Century Leader Awards. Sponsored by the Chancellor's Office and the Alumni Association, the awards are intended to recognize students who are academically accomplished and have contributed to the University by exceptional achievements that distinguish themselves or enhance the reputation of the campus. The 11 recipients were Heather A. Berthiaume of North Dighton; Christina Calvaneso of Coto de Caza, Calif.; Jorge L. Oliver Diaz of Yaucom, Puerto Rico; Kristin Leigh Forloney of Amherst; Judd E. Galloway of Burlington, Iowa; Jonathan J. Laubinger of Bridgewater; Erica Holly Mattison of Brookline; William A. Powers of Danvers; Heather L. Ruel of Granby; Doug White of Claremont, Calif.; and Nicole Marie Yukna of Norton.

The leadership awards, which included \$1,000 prizes, were presented by Lombardi and Hal Lane, '60, president-elect of the Alumni Association.

"Never forget," Lane told the the University's newest alumni, "never forget the quality of education you received here. Be advocates for this great university. Stay in touch and good luck."

Following the ceremony, Lombardi greeted graduates and their families at a reception outside the stadium.

\$133.2m bond issue OK'd

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grated science building "a critical investment in the innovation economy of Massachusetts" and expressed appreciation for Kriss' action on the plan.

Chancellor John V. Lombardi said, "We are now positioned to make significant progress on some of our most pressing capital

projects for teaching and research and to resolve some of the most urgent issues related to the campus deferred maintenance."

Despite concerns that delaying the original bond issue caused the Building Authority to miss out on ideal interest rates, Kriss said rates have continued to decline since the bonds were put on hold in early March.

Amherst campus projects

The following projects are included in the \$133.2 million bond issue approved this week:

Integrated science building	\$26.3 million
Art building swing space	13.8 million
School of Nursing	13.8 million
Morrill Science Center renovation	3.6 million
Lincoln Campus Center repairs	8 million
Fire alarms	2 million
Goodell roof	1 million
Bartlett facade repairs	2 million
Elevator repairs	4 million
Southwest concourse	4 million
University Drive improvements	3.4 million
Stadium repairs	500,000

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Class of 2003 Commencement



Top row: The softball field scoreboard sends a message to the Class of '03; School of Nursing faculty (left to right) clinical assistant professor Micheline Asselin, associate professor Leda McKenry, clinical assistant professor Beth Henneman, and clinical assistant professor Karen Plotkin sport "2003" glasses as they enter the stadium; prior to the ceremony, Phil Lawrence, a UWW student who studied painting, shows his family on which side of the mortarboard his tassel is hanging.



Middle section: Anthony Moore lifts his gown to show off his shorts as he walks in the student processional; a new banner displays the campus seal; Chin Le and Erin Scarlata share a hug before exchanging contact information; students fill out graduation cards prior to having their pictures taken; Abbie Reis waves to her family while Rose Baker talks with hers via cell phone as they wait to enter the stadium;

Bottom row: 21st Century Leader Award-winners gather on the stage; Kathleen Cote receives an honorary degree from President William M. Bulger; student speaker Matt Dunphy addresses his class; Jonathan Dwyer and Alyssa Murphy pose for photographs with Chancellor John V. Lombardi; new graduates celebrate as degrees are conferred.



Research dollars hit record high

Sarah R. Buchholz
CHRONICLE STAFF

With dollars from the state harder to come by these days, interim Vice Chancellor for Research Fred Byron offered the Faculty Senate some good news May 22 when he reported that research funding is up nearly 11 percent over last year. Byron also announced that income from intellectual property is on the rise.

Last year at this time, the campus had garnered just over \$77.8 million in grants and contracts.

"We are now 10 months through the year, and our total [of research grants and contracts] is just slightly in excess of \$86 million, which is far in excess of what we've ever had at this time [of year] before," Byron said.

"The faculty success rate at the agencies and also the foundations is really remarkable at the present time," he said. "It's being as successful as I can ever remember in bringing in external support, which speaks very well for the caliber of our people because although there are increases in the funding agencies, the number of people looking for those increases is very large. It's a very, very competitive environment, and we're doing extraordinarily well, right now."

Biology professor Willy Bemis said he finds the success rate particularly remarkable in light of the size of the faculty.

"The faculty is smaller than last year because of the retirements, and yet the grant money is increasing," said Bemis, who is a member of the senate's Research Council.

Byron said that another figure on the rise for the campus is income from intellectual property.

"For the first time this year we've passed the annual level of \$1 million," he said, "so that is another area where the campus is doing very well.

"Some of our best properties, in fact, will probably not come to market for a few years, but when they do, I think that that level of income to the campus will grow very substantially at that time."

Senate accepts courses, academic option

The Faculty Senate approved a dozen graduate courses in Education and a new option within the Resource Economics major at its May 22 meeting.

Three 3-credit 800-level courses, "Cultural Perspectives on Educational Management," "Advanced Validity Theory and Test Validation," and "Participatory Action Research Methods" were added. Two 3-credit 700-level courses, "Teacher Education in Developing Countries" and "Developmental Foundations of Social Justice Education" were approved.

Six 3-credit 600-level courses, "Qualitative Research Methods in Education," "Contemporary and Historical Constructions of Social Justice Education," "Social Theories in Education," "School Counseling Curriculum: Development and Implementation," "Policy Studies in Education Administration" and "Multicultural Counseling in Schools," plus one 4-credit course at the 600-level, "Curriculum Design and Instruction for Social Justice Education," made the grade, as well.

Senators also recommended the establishment of a Family Economics option within the Resource Economics major.



Town meeting

Interim Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance Joyce Hatch mingles with Gus Sayer, superintendent of the Amherst-Pelham Regional Schools, and Carl Seppala, chair of the Amherst Select Board at the May 27 Town-Gown Reception at Hillside, the Chancellor's residence. The event, hosted by Cathryn and Chancellor John V. Lombardi, attracted community and business leaders, elected officials from Amherst and Hadley, and both towns' administrators, as well as State Reps. John Scibak (D-South Hadley) and Ellen Story (D-Amherst).

Senate passes recommendations to maintain quality of undergraduate programs during fiscal difficulties

Sarah R. Buchholz
CHRONICLE STAFF

At its May 22 meeting, the Faculty Senate approved guidelines designed to maintain "the quality of undergraduate education and student success through the current fiscal crisis at the University."

The guidelines were based on work completed by last year's Ad Hoc Committee on Undergraduate Education, as well as "the core values deliberated and agreed upon" in the committee's successor, the new Undergraduate Education Council, which provided the senate with the material on which to vote, and a study of the campus and relevant national issues. The plan is also with an eye toward farther-reaching goals that would direct the campus toward an environment "in which all students would receive the best possible education."

"The Undergraduate Education Council unanimously agrees that the most valuable

asset to the undergraduate academic experience is the campus's highly qualified and nationally recognized faculty," the report reads. "The University's first priority with regard to undergraduate education should be the protection and renewal of our quality faculty and academic staff."

The report prioritizes the protection of two aspects of undergraduate education on campus: those that are crucial to student engagement and success and those in which the University already "exhibits particular distinction" relative to other doctoral schools. Among such aspects are honors programming; emphasis on writing

in undergraduate courses; learning communities for first-year students, and the experience of national and international diversity for both students and faculty.

The council recommended that five other elements of high-quality undergraduate education be attended to as soon as funding and resources can be restored. They are the quality of advising, especially for first-year students; student use of computing and information technology; teaching development programs; the quality of classroom and lab space, and support for student-faculty interaction, particularly in large classes.

Breslin doubles up

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she was chair of the department of nursing at Northern Arizona University from 1994-98. She was a member of the nursing faculty at Northern Arizona since 1983.

Breslin received her Ph.D. in nursing from the University of Colorado in 1992. She earned a master's degree at the University of Arizona, and a bachelor's degree from Northern Arizona University.

She replaces SPHHS dean Stephen Gehlbach, who will return to the faculty after serving as dean since 1989.

Classic paint job

First year student Justine Brown signs her name to the Etruscan mural she created outside the office of Rex Wallace, professor of Classics. Brown used features from several styles of Etruscan tomb painting and depicted figures associated with the Etruscan underworld in the work, which took approximately 20 hours, she said.



Retirement celebration for Marie Hess

The campus community is invited to a retirement celebration to honor Marie Hess, deputy director of the Fine Arts Center, on Monday, June 30, 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center Lobby.

To RSVP or for more information, contact Julie Fifield by Friday, June 20 at 5-3517 or e-mail (jfifield@admin.umass.edu).

Hosts needed for students from Hokkaido University

Families and households in the Amherst area are needed to host 11 undergraduates from Hokkaido University from Aug. 9-24. The Japanese college students are participants in the Hokkaido Summer Program run by the International Programs Office.

For more information, call 5-2710.

First summer session dates

Classes for the first summer session start Monday, June 2 with the add/drop period ending Monday, June 9.

The "W" period for students to withdraw from classes run from Tuesday, June 10 to Monday, June 23.

The last day of classes for the first summer session is Thursday, July 10.

New Students Program begins next week

Members of the Class of 2007 will begin arriving next week for the first New Students Program sessions, according to director Jeanne M. Horrigan.

Eight 2½-day sessions are scheduled: June 4-6, 8-10, 11-13, 15-17, 22-24; June 29-July 1; and July 6-8, 9-11.

There is also a 1½-day session for freshmen on June 25-26.

NSP has moved its summer office to Lewis House in Northeast. For information, call 5-2621.

Retirement reception for Marion Lapham

A retirement reception will be held for Marion Lapham of the Athletic Department Business Office on Tuesday, June 10 from 5-7 p.m. in the Massachusetts Room of the Mullins Center.

The \$12 cost includes appetizers and a contribution for a gift. Checks payable to Joyce Hahn should be sent to Athletic Department, 206 Boyden. RSVP by June 2 to Hahn at 206 Boyden or via e-mail (jhahn@admin.umass.edu).

Fall reserve listings

Reserve listings for the fall semester must be submitted to the Library by Sunday, June 15.

Homebuying and Refinancing Fair for union members

Commuter Services and the AFL-CIO are sponsoring a Homebuying and Refinancing Fair on Tuesday, June 10 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Resource Room near the main entrance of the Student Union.

All area and campus union members, including those from the Massachusetts Teachers Association as well as AFL-CIO-affiliated unions, are eligible to participate. Refreshments will be served.

A major theme of the fair will be programs and benefits for refinancing existing homes as well as homebuying. Refinancing existing mortgages at current low interest rates could save members hundreds of dollars a year, and thousands over the life of the loan.

Real estate agents and counselors from Countrywide Home Loans will be there to explain homebuying and refinancing programs available to union members through the AFL-CIO's Hit Home program, advise members on their individual situations, and even run credit checks at the event.

Exclusive Hit Home benefits include: Reduced closing costs on purchase and refinance loans;

Working Family mortgages, which include low-interest and flexible-payment schedule loans;

Free education and information, including bilingual services;

Low and no-down payment programs; Flexible electronic payments arrangements.

For further information about the fair or the Hit Home program, call Commuter Services at 5-0865, or go to the Hit Home website (www.hithome.org).

Graduate School offices closing early on June 12

All Graduate School offices will close at noon on Thursday, June 12 for staff training. The offices will reopen at 8:30 a.m. on the following day.

Summer tour schedule

Campus tours leave from the Robsham Visitors Center at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Information sessions also are being held weekdays at 12:30 p.m. during June, July and August. The sessions are usually held in the Lincoln Campus Center, but guests should call the Visitors Center (5-0306) for the daily room location.

The Visitors Center is open weekdays from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. In August, the center also will be open weekends, 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

The center will be closed on Saturday, May 31 and Friday, July 4.

Faculty Senate attendance Spring 2003

Adams, Maurianne, <i>Student Development & Pupil Personnel Services (SDPPS)</i>	6 of 7
Atallah, Mokhtar, <i>Nutrition</i>	6 of 7 (C)
Baran, Jane, <i>Communication Disorders</i>	2 of 7 (C)
Billings, Marilyn, <i>Library</i>	7 of 7
Bogartz, Richard, <i>Psychology</i>	7 of 7
Brandon, Liane, <i>Teacher Education & Curriculum Studies (TECS)</i>	2 of 7 (C)
Burt, Richard, <i>English</i>	0 of 7
Calas, Marta, <i>Management</i>	1 of 7 (C)
Chilton, Roland, <i>Sociology</i>	7 of 7
Clouston, Peggi, <i>Natural Resources Conservation</i>	4 of 7
Coelen, Stephen, <i>Political Science</i>	0 of 7
Cohen, Alvin, <i>Asian Languages</i>	5 of 7
Conner, W. C., <i>Chemical Engineering</i>	7 of 7
Craig, James, <i>Library</i>	6 of 7 (C)
Deschamps, Alexandrina, <i>Women's Studies</i>	3 of 7 (C)
Desu, Seshu, <i>Electrical & Computer Engineering</i>	5 of 7
D'Introno, Francesco, <i>Spanish & Portuguese</i>	4 of 7
Dodds, Patt, <i>TECS</i>	0 of 7
Donohue, Joseph, <i>English</i>	5 of 7
Doyle, Laura, <i>English</i>	0 of 7
Einhorn, Eric, <i>Political Science</i>	6 of 7
Fernsten, Jeffrey, <i>Hospitality & Tourism Management</i>	3 of 7 (C)
Gerber, John, <i>Plant & Soil Sciences</i>	4 of 7
Giacobbe-Miller, Jane, <i>Management</i>	Sabbatical
Goodenough, Judith, <i>Biology</i>	6 of 7
Hubert, John, <i>Geosciences</i>	5 of 7
Irvine, Janice, <i>Sociology</i>	4 of 7
Kapadia, Nikunj P., <i>Finance & Operations Management</i>	4 of 7
King, M. Christine, <i>Nursing</i>	4 of 7
Kinney, Arthur, <i>English</i>	3 of 7 (C)
Levin, Robert, <i>Food Science</i>	2 of 7
Maddox, Donald, <i>French & Italian</i>	4 of 7
Mannino, Ronald, <i>Accounting & Information Systems</i>	0 of 7
McCarthy, John, <i>Linguistics</i>	1 of 7
Mileur, Jerome, <i>Political Science</i>	5 of 7 (C)
Moore, Craig, <i>Finance & Operations Management</i>	0 of 7
Moss, Eliot, <i>Computer Science</i>	0 of 7
O'Connor, W. Brian, <i>Biology</i>	6 of 7 (C)
Ogilvie, Brian, <i>History</i>	2 of 7 (C)
Philippides, Marios, <i>Classics</i>	7 of 7
Rosenkrantz, Walter, <i>Mathematics & Statistics</i>	0 of 7
Rudman, Masha, <i>TECS</i>	6 of 7
Schliemann, Bernd, <i>Military Science</i>	5 of 7
Schloerb, Peter, <i>Astronomy</i>	2 of 7
Shea, Peter, <i>Library</i>	2 of 7
Sims, Norman, <i>Journalism</i>	3 of 7
Smethurst, James, <i>Afro-American Studies</i>	7 of 7
Spencer, Jenny, <i>English</i>	2 of 7 (C)
Stanek, Edward, <i>Biostatistics & Epidemiology</i>	3 of 7
Stern, Peter, <i>Library</i>	5 of 7
Stewart, Barbara, <i>Library</i>	4 of 7
Stidham, Howard, <i>Chemistry</i>	1 of 7
Story, Ronald, <i>History</i>	2 of 7
Tracy, Steven, <i>Afro-American Studies</i>	6 of 7
Tymoczko, Maria, <i>Comparative Literature</i>	Sabbatical
Wileden, Jack, <i>Computer Science</i>	4 of 7
Williams, Michael, <i>Geosciences</i>	0 of 7 (C)
Wilson, Robert, <i>Hospitality & Tourism Management</i>	Sabbatical
Wyse, Gordon, <i>Biology</i>	7 of 7
Zamora, Juan, <i>Spanish & Portuguese</i>	3 of 7
Zucker, Donna, <i>Nursing</i>	4 of 7 (C)

(C) denotes a scheduling conflict reported to the Faculty Senate

Doctoral exams

Graduate faculty are invited to attend the final oral examination for the doctoral candidates scheduled as follows.

Marie K. Evans, Ph.D., Psychology. Friday, May 30, 10 a.m., 521B Tobin. Dissertation: "The Effects of Background Television on Very Young Children's Play with Toys." Daniel Anderson, chr.

Alison D. Dagnes, Ph.D., Political Science. Monday, June 2, 11 a.m., 620 Thompson. Dissertation: "White Noise: The Political Uses of Internet Technology by Right-Wing Extremist Groups." Jerome M. Mileur, chr.

Magda M. Ahmed, Ed.D., Education. Monday, June 2, 1:30 p.m., 151 Hills South. Dissertation: "Sudanese Refugee Women Becoming Activists: The

Role of Popular Education." Robert Miltz, chr.

Shuhui Kang, Ph.D., Physics. Wednesday, June 4, 10:30 a.m., A110 Conte. Dissertation: "Fundamentals of Poly (Lactic Acid) Microstructure, Crystallization Behavior, and Properties." Shaw Ling Hsu, chr.

Rattan Gujadhur, Ph.D., Chemistry. Friday, June 6, 10 a.m., 703 Lederle Graduate Research Tower. Dissertation: "The Formation of Aryl-Heteroatom Bonds Using Copper (I) Catalysts." D. Venkataraman, chr.

James Goldbach, Ph.D., Polymer Science and Engineering. Friday, June 6, 1:30 p.m., A110-A111 Conte. Dissertation: "Synthesis, Characterization and Thin Film Morphology of Poly (styrene-block-methyl methacrylate) Containing UV Photolabile Junction Points."

Jacques Penelle and Thomas P. Russell, co-chrs.

Nili Luo, Ed.D., Education. Monday, June 9, 11 a.m., 21C Furcolo. Dissertation: "The Adoptive Parenting Process: A Study of the Experiences of Parents Who Adopt Infant Girls from China." J. Kevin Nugent, chr.

Zhiping Lai, Ph.D., Chemical Engineering. Tuesday, June 10, 11 a.m., Guinness Engineering Student Center, Marcus Hall. Dissertation: "Molecular Sieve Films: New Synthesis Methods for Improving the Performance of Zeolite ZSM-5 Membranes." Michael Tsapatsis, chr.

Christine Pollard, Ph.D., Exercise Science. Wednesday, June 11, 10 a.m., 903 Lincoln Campus Center. Dissertation: "Potential Mechanisms of Non-Contact Anterior Cruciate Ligament Injury: The Gender Bias." Joseph

Hamill, chr.

Christopher Long, Ph.D., Psychology. Wednesday, June 11, 10:30 a.m., 521B Tobin. Dissertation: "Individual Differences in Affective Processing, Day-to-Day Emotional Experiences, and Their Influence on Creativity." James Averill, chr.

Christopher Overtree, Ph.D., Psychology. Thursday, June 12, 9 a.m., Psychological Services Center conference room, Tobin Hall. Dissertation: "Influences on Condom Use and the Prevention of HIV Transmission." Morton Hartz, chr.

Kitti Wongthavarawat, Ph.D., Electrical and Computer Engineering. Friday, June 13, 10:30 a.m., 113 Marston. Dissertation: "Resource Management for QoS Support in Wireless Networks." Aura Ganz, chr.

FAC announces 2003-04 season

Billed as a "ticket to a world of artistic excellence, the Fine Arts Center's 2003-04 season boasts a variety of dance, theater and classical music as well as jazz, world and popular music performances.

The season begins Oct. 2 with Danilo Perez & Trio, led by a gifted musician and composer renowned for his unique and revolutionary blending of American jazz with African-based rhythms of the Caribbean and the Latin influences of Central and South America.

Musical theater fans can enjoy "The Music Man," Meredith Wilson's nostalgic all-American salute to music, romance and fast-talking flim-flam on Oct. 9.

Using a variety of puppet styles, Théâtre de l'Oeil tells the story of Pretzel, a friendly character whose chivalry draws the audience into a fabulous adventure of returning a star back to the sky in a performance of "The Starkeeper" on Oct. 15-16.

"Rent," the Tony Award- and Pulitzer Prize-winning musical, comes to the Concert Hall stage for two performances on Oct. 22-23.

The inventiveness of the Pilobolus dance troupe joins forces with the artistry of the St. Lawrence String Quartet for a joint performance on Nov. 5.

Considered for many years to be one of the world's finest string quartets, the Talich Quartet will perform Nov. 8 at Bowker Auditorium. Famed for their interpretation of Czech music, violinists Jan Talich, Jr. and Petr Macecek, violist Vladimir Bukac and cellist Petr Prause also have a very wide-ranging repertoire.

Performing Siberian dances to live music, the Krasnoyarsk National Dance Company will capti-

vate audiences with its vivid character portrayals, musical movements and fanciful patterns of the choreographic design on Nov. 13.

The spring semester lineup begins Feb. 5 with "Chi," a fusion of acrobatics and martial arts from Shanghai, China. Combining these disciplines with enchanting music, stage design and spectacular lighting, "Chi" is a journey beyond space and time to discover a harmony between humankind and nature and to the celebration of life itself.

Heralded as one of today's most dynamic and exciting young string quartets, the Pacifica Quartet will perform Feb. 12 in Bowker Auditorium. The quartet's members are Simin Ganatra, violin; Sibbi Bernhardsson, violin; Masumi Per Rostad, viola; and Brandon Vamos, cello.

The 15-strong all-male dancers of Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo bring a new spin to classical ballet on Feb. 26, with their parodies and performances of much loved works such as "Swan Lake," "The Dying Swan" and "Paquita."

The Dave Holland Big Band, winner of this year's Grammy for best large jazz ensemble, rolls into town on Feb. 28.

The Salzburg Marionette Theater, renowned for its performances to recordings of 18th and 19th century operas made by the world's leading orchestras and singers, returns for two performances of Mozart's "The Magic Flute" and Rossini's "Barber of Seville" on March 3-4.

Full-fledged opera buffs can enjoy Opera Verdi Europa's first North American tour with an Amherst stop that will showcase "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "I

Pagliacci" on March 7.

Minnesota's Guthrie Theater will stage Shakespeare's "Othello" on April 2-3.

Rockapella, the undisputed kings of contemporary a cappella music, will perform April 7.

Artistic director Edward Villella's acclaimed Miami City Ballet comes to campus April 20 for a George Balanchine Centennial Celebration featuring an all-Balanchine/Stravinsky program.

The season concludes April 30 with the Amherst debut of the Tonhalle Orchestra Zurich. Conducted by David Zinman, the internationally renowned orchestra of over 100 players will be joined by Norwegian pianist Leif Ove Andsnes for an all-Brahms concert in performances of Piano Concerto No. 1 and Symphony No. 2.

Subscription tickets, ranging from \$45 to \$15 general public are on sale with single event tickets available starting July 15. A brochure with a complete description of programs can be obtained by calling the FAC Box Office (5-2511). An online version also is available (www.fineartscenter.com/centerseries)

Subscribers purchasing three or more events in price range A and B qualify for a 15 percent discount, and for youth 17 and under, tickets are \$10, and \$15 for theater and popular events. Five College students also receive substantial discounts, and a 10 percent senior citizen or UMass employee discount is available on single ticket purchases only. Price range C tickets are \$15 for all Center Series events. The Fine Arts Center also provides tickets to area non-profit, human services organization through its Angel Ticket program.



The 2003-04 Fine Arts Center season lineup includes (clockwise from top), The Chinese acrobatic and martial arts show "Chi," Meredith Wilson's "The Music Man," jazz musician Danilo Perez and the dance troupe Pilobolus.



Moving retrospective

Stan Sherer photo

Senior Carla Hollett loads a semester's worth of work into her car outside the Art Barn. The acrylics are from her thesis painting class with Art professor Jeanette Cole and Nelson Stevens, associate professor of Afro-American Studies.

Four lacrosse players named All-Americans

Senior midfielder Chris Fiore this week was named a first team All-American by the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association.

Fiore is the first UMass player to be a first team All-America selection since Mark Millon was picked in 1992 and 1993.

Fiore was joined by senior midfielder Kevin Leveille on the second team, junior attack Jeff Zywicki on the third team and sophomore defenseman Matt Garcia, who earned honorable mention status.

"We are thrilled to have a player named on each of the four teams," said coach Greg Cannella. "It's obviously a great achievement for not only the players, but the entire team. If it wasn't for the team's success of the past year, this would not have been accomplished."

Fiore earned first-team recognition after scoring 46 points (35 goals, 11 assists) on the season. He finished his UMass career with 115 points (83 g, 32 a). He tallied 92 points (69 g, 23 a) during his final two years in Amherst. He also was named ECAC

Offensive Player of the Year and was a finalist for the Tewaaraton Award, given to the nation's top player.

Leveille earned second-team honors after scoring a career-high 51 points (34 g, 17 a). He is one of nine players in UMass history to tally 40 points in a season three times, and was selected as New England Player of the Year. He finished his UMass career with 159 points, good for 11th all-time. His 105 goals rank eighth on the all-time UMass chart. Leveille posted the country's highest single-game point total when he scored 10 points (7 g, 3 a) in a win over Stony Brook. He was also a finalist for the Tewaaraton Award.

"Chris and Kevin both had tremendous years," said Cannella. "They were counted on to lead our team. They were marked men throughout the entire season, but they kept the team first. They picked their opportunities selectively, and made the most of them. This is not only a tribute to their efforts this year, but for the effort and time they have put forth the last four years."

Zywicki was named to the

third team after recording one of the top single seasons in UMass history. He led the Minutemen with 62 points, 41 goals and 21 assists. His totals are the most since 1993 when Mark Millon scored 81 points on 58 goals and 23 assists. He was consistently near the top of the NCAA in scoring, and will head into next year with 92 points (58 g, 34 a). His 41 goals rank tied for 13th on the single-season list.

Garcia was a main reason why the Minuteman defense was ranked in the top 20 of NCAA scoring defense, and near the top in NCAA scoring margin. Garcia stepped into a starting role and scooped up 35 ground balls to rank fifth on the team in that category. He picked up at least one ground ball in all but two games, and grabbed a season-high five in the NCAA tournament victory over Hofstra. He led the Minutemen with 12 penalties.

UMass was one of five teams with at least three players named to the first three teams. Johns Hopkins led the way with seven, while NCAA champion Virginia and Maryland had six each.