Boston College will invest $1.6 billion in academics and facilities through a 10-year Strategic Plan, supported by an Institutional Master Plan that will allocate $800 million for construction and renovation.

The University formally unveiled the plans last week, at a public meeting of the Allston-Brighton/Boston College Master Plan Task Force and to the Boston Redevelopment Authority, and through announcements to local and national media. The Strategic Plan will add up to 100 faculty, create new academic centers and institutes, allocate $800 million for construction and renovation — including $300 million for academic facilities — and provide an increase in ongoing support of academic programs and initiatives by $43.5 million annually.

Architectural rendering shows the Boston College campus as it would appear under the recently proposed Institutional Master Plan.

For more on the Strategic and Institutional Master plans, see the special four-page insert in this issue of Chronicle.

25 Years of Holiday Cheers
It’s a quarter-century and counting for Forgét’s charity drive

By Melissa Beecher, Staff Writer

For the last 25 years, Paula Forgét has put off her Christmas shopping until just days before the holiday. But don’t call the assistant director of administrative services for Facilities Services a procrastinator.

Over each of those last 25 years Forgét has been busy in the weeks leading up to Christmas orchestrating a quiet holiday collection at Boston College. That drive has enabled more than 550 children from the Italian Home and the state’s Department of Social Services to receive gifts at Christmas morning.

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Like magic?

It was much more than an utterance of “abra cadabra” that made the Boston College Magician’s Society appear.

Bayden Hammond, a junior exchange student from the University of Melbourne, Australia, created the society after learning his passion for magic and showmanship were shared by some of his classmates.

The Magician’s Society is in the process of gaining approval from the Office of the Dean for Student Development and is actively seeking members.

“I was prompted by my own passion for magic and a desire to share it with others,” said Hammond. “The society will be a rich, exciting addition to the Boston College community with plans for regular on-campus shows.”

Magic societies are not uncommon on college campuses across the country. Harvard, Emory, University of Pennsylvania and University of Chicago each have active clubs.

Hammond said he has been interested in magic since the age of 10, when a birthday party magician captured his imagination. It never lost its appeal and now the 21-year-old regularly performs at professional shows.

“As a magician myself, I consider magic an art form which embraces creativity, innovation and people skills,” Hammond said. “Members will not only experience the challenge of learning this art, but also the un-measurable joy of performing and creating the ex-

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Hammond said he believes it is important for such a club to be part of BC’s student life because “magic brings people together of all ages and culture and it is my belief that having this skill set enhances social interactions.”

The society welcomes both experienced magicians and those ambitious about learning the craft.

Positive outcome

There was no quiet send-off for Kevin Ahern, a doctoral student in theology, to close out his presidency of an international network of Catholic university groups and campus ministries.

Ahern, who in August officially completed his four-year term as president of the International Movement of Catholic Students (IMCS), helped organize a major forum on Catholic non-governmental organizations Nov. 30-Dec. 2 at the Vatican. He also was selected to formally present the NGOs to Pope Benedict XVI.

Bringing together 87 diverse organizations was not the easiest of tasks, Ahern says. There were large service groups — including the Jesuit Refugee Service — religious congregations, traditional lay and new movements, and Catholic networks of doctors, teachers and other professionals, he notes, as well as archbishops and nuncios to organizations like the United Nations and the European Union.

“It represented a lot of the revisions that exist in the Church today,” says Ahern. “Many NGOs were concerned that the Vatican was trying to control them, and at the same time there were fears that some NGOs didn’t want to work with the Vatican.”

But in the end, he reports, “both fears disappeared and we were able to agree that there was more uniting us than dividing us, and that we needed to work together for the betterment of our world. It was a really powerful and hopeful experience to see some common ground being built.”

The prospect of addressing the Pope also raised the anxiety level for Ahern — not because of being in the presence of the pontiff, whom Ahern had met before, but because Ahern wanted to fairly represent the organizations in attendance.

“If there’s one aspect of pontifical audiences he’s still getting used to, says Ahern, it’s “kissing the Pope’s ring. This is so foreign for Americans. But in the end it comes naturally and the Pope does seem like a genuinely kind person.”

The event generated an unexpected bit of controversy when the Italian press misinterpreted the Pope’s remarks to the gathering as an attack on the UN. Ahern says, in fact, the media suggested the Vatican had called the meeting to organize a “Catholic bloc” that would oppose the UN.

Fortunately, Vatican spokesman Federico Lombardi, SJ, was able to set the record straight, Ahern says. “He said the Pope, as well as his predecessors, is perfectly conscious of the importance of the United Nations for peace and the defense of human rights, to the point that with joy he has accepted the invitation to visit the glass palace of New York next year.”

Ahern believes the forum was successful. “We were able to foster a real spirit of dialogue between lay leaders, religious and high level Vatican officials. Most of the participants were really surprised to discover this and I think this is why the meeting was so effective. Three days was really short to come out with any major conclusions, but we were able to reach consensus that a future network would be created of Catholic NGOs.

“The question of how Catholics relate to pressing international issues is one of my main academic interests in my study of social ethics,” he adds. “I really believe that Boston College is in a unique place to study this issue, with so many rich resources on campus.”

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HIGH RATE OF INFLATION—Students, including seniors Sabrina Branch (left) and Somalia Quan, had the opportunity this past Saturday to take a break from studying for finals and unwind a little at “Inflatables Night” in the Flynn Recreation Complex. The event was sponsored as part of the “Nights on the Heights” series. (Photo by Frank Curran)
Meeting the Demand

Neighborhood Center offers unprecedented number of ESL classes

BY MELISSA BEECHER STAFF WRITER

A record number of conversational English classes are being sponsored at Boston College’s Neighborhood Center, a trend organizers say is fueled by both community demand and BC student volunteerism.

Maria DiChiappari, director of the center, said Allston-Brighton residents have flocked to the free courses where BC volunteers provide adult English lessons.

“We don’t need to advertise,” said DiChiappari. “There is such an enormous need for these services that people come to us. We have a dedicated group of volunteers and more students coming forward all the time.”

This semester, 14 classes have been offered and 27 BC students have volunteered as tutors. Approximately 100 residents have taken the 90-minute courses, many attending two sessions a week.

In past semesters, faculty and administrative staff have also volunteered.

The numbers of classes have steadily increased over the last 12 years, since the University first established a presence on Washington Street in Brighton. When the program began in 1995, only five sessions were offered. Today, the center’s storefront location provides walk-in convenience for residents to sign up for free programs, including adult English lessons, elderly outreach opportunities and after school tutoring for children.

In addition, BC volunteers regularly hold English lessons at the Joseph M. Smith Community Health Center, St. Columbkille’s School in Brighton and the Covenant House, subsidized housing for the elderly.

DiChiappari said the classes have been popular among residents who work two or three jobs so they can afford high housing costs in the area. Similar courses in Boston can run upwards of $480 at local community colleges or $410 at community centers.

“People are struggling to make ends meet,” said DiChiappari. “We say, ‘What do you have to lose? Our programs are free.’ Learners are comfortable with our student-teachers because we’re a safe, welcoming place that promotes learning. And the word has spread.”

According to a Boston Redevelopment Authority report filed in 2005, Allston-Brighton is one of the city’s most multilingual neighborhoods, with 36 percent of the nearly 70,000 residents speaking a language other than English at home. The top non-English languages are Spanish, Chinese, Russian, Portuguese and French. Creole.

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University Opens ‘Clean Room’ on Newton Campus

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“English is the key for them to find a better job, to help them feel more connected to the larger community,” said DiChiappari. “BC is fortunate to be a part of a culturally rich community and we’re trying to do our part to give back. We’re providing the services that are needed the most.”

The Neighborhood Center is beginning to schedule programs for next semester and is always seeking volunteers. Faculty, staff and students are volunteers by visiting the website, www.bc.edu/centers/neighborhood.

The “home field advantage” of the lab is the opportunity to bring together researchers from across a range of disciplines. Already nine research groups from campus have initiated projects in the lab.

The clean room Facility Manager Stephen Shepard, with 30 years of experience in nanofabrication, says it’s important for people to understand the nature of a clean room.

“It’s a clean room, not a sterile room,” said Shepard, noting that the design of the lab is intended to keep dirt, dust and other particles out. Visitors step into an anteroom, where they don gauzy white jumpsuits, caps and booties. A ventilation system re-circulates and cleans all the air in the room once every minute.

Filtration and positive air pressure ensure there are fewer than 10,000 particles in every cubic foot of air, says Shepard. An average household room holds 750,000 particles per cubic foot and on a summer day the air outside contains close to a million particles per cubic foot. A clean room is surrounded by a 2,500 square-feet of space — a so-called “dirty room” which houses the equipment that supports the lab.

At the nanoscale, a dust particle can fall, like a boulder into a creek bed, adhering to the surface of wafer-like chips called substrates, which hold the nanoscale components fabricated with lab equipment. A dust particle can wreak havoc on the tiny structures etched or built onto the substrates, which allow experiments that look at the way electrons, cells or fluids behave. Substrates can take four to six weeks to create, said Shepard, and can be rendered useless if polluted.

“What exactly is the nanoscale? It is somewhere between the size of an atom and a baulk solid,” Research Associate Prof. Dong Cai (Biophysics) said that studying the details of molecular behaviors and activities, such as the specific binding of a protein to DNA, requires tools and technology that can function at the molecular level of these biological entities.

In the case of Cai and his fellow researchers, they have fabricated a nano-coaxial sensor to pursue the detection of single a molecule or virus.

“Nanotechnology can be used to design diagnostic systems that not only define early stage changes or progression to a disease state, but also allow the identification of unique biological molecules, chemicals and structures not addressable by current tests,” says Cai. “They also offer new opportunities in the treatment and management of diseases and traumatic injuries.”

Prof. Michael Naughton (Physics) led University trustees and administrators last week on a tour of the new “clean room” facility housed in Kenny Cottle Library on Newton Campus. (Photo by Lee Pellegrini)
Lessons in Leadership, and Life

UGBC holds first-ever campus reunion of former presidents and VP's

By Melissa Beecher

Staff Writer

One alumnus talked about getting every penalty's worth of a $24 student activity fee, another about leading a student protest. But the non-egalitarian take on back — by $5. Some recalled when the Undergraduate Government of Boston College was made up of 150 students with a mandate to serve the entire student body, and in awe as they heard of today's structured organization, which includes more than 100 cabinet members.

UGBC, the official voice of the BC student body for the last 40 years, brought together a panel of past presidents and vice presidents Nov. 30-Dec. 1. Thirty-five former student leaders returned to campus for the event, and many found BC a much-changed place.

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Jill Alper, UGBC vice president in 1986 and president in 1987, remembered the excitement of the "Flurie Years," but also recounted how she caused unrest by asking C. Gordon Liddy, a major figure in the Watergate scandal, to come speak. Although the Boston Globe denounced her in a front-page story, she said, administrators ultimately stood by the students decision to bring Liddy to campus.

Alper now a Michigan-based political strategist for the Demo cratic party, said she enjoyed sitting down at the reunion with her vice president Scott Haywood, '87 and flipping through UGBC newsletters and The Heights from the 1980s. "I was shocked at how much we took on and accomplished," she said.

Others, like Duane Deskins, '76, now an assistant US attorney in Ohio, found it difficult to recall his years at BC without reflecting on world issues. Race relations, the busing crisis in Boston and Vietnam made their presence felt on campus, he said.

"It was important for me to run for this job, in the year of the [US] bicentennial, to show that this university, these students did something that couldn't be done in the coun try," said Deskins, the first African-American elected UGBC president. "If you didn't live through the busing crisis in Boston, you didn't know how bad it could be."

Deskins said the reunion gave him a chance to reflect how UGBC presidents are intrinsically service-oriented.

"Each and every one of us is committed to service. That has never gone away," said Deskins, pointing to alumni like Timothy Anderson, '74, who organized a nonprofit group, the World Computer Exchange, which provides technology to people in underde veloped countries.

The leaders also spoke about the changing and evolving responsibil ity of the UGBC presidents. Many discussed how managing the growing budget — sometimes upwards of $750,000 — became their most demanding challenge.

Richard Gallion, '91 recounted how he once had to explain to the donors an expenditure of $900 to invite a then little-known comedic namesake Jerry Seinfeld to perform on campus. Gallion admitted that the UGBC was embarrassed when they misspelled Seinfeld's name on the promotional materials.

All the leaders agreed that their work couldn't have been done without support from friends, faculty and a relationship — albeit a tense one at times — with administra tors.

Alvernia College President Thomas Flynn, '74, who served as UGBC president in 1973 and 1974, concluded that anyone who held the positions became familiar with stress.

"We may not have realized at the time how important it is to be part of the person on top," he said.

"It is an enormous psychological burden at age 19, 20 and 21," Flynn said.

Interviewed after the event, Sherwood said he was proud to welcome the alumni home and glad to see how much they learned from UGBC, calling the reunion the "most gratifying program I have ever been associated with."

"This has really been a profound experience," said Sherwood. "All I can compare it to is discovering an extended family that you never knew existed."

"Obviously these people are all still passionate, love and respect BC. This is a phenomenal institution and if nothing else, the reunion has shown us that."

Forgét Charity Drive Hits 25

By Abigail Schram

Staff Writer

Hugs for Heroes Inc., a non-profit organization created by BC alumnus Mireille Manzone that supports our troops in Afghanistan and Iraq year round. In the last three and a half years, more than six tons of goods and notes of appreciation have been shipped to Army, Navy, and Marine units, many of which were the units of BC graduates or had a connection to the BC.

The organization’s goal is to help as many troops as possible feel appreciation from home in the form of notes and items that can make the hardships they endure just a little easier to bear.

Hugs for Heroes is shipping goods this Christmas season and beyond, and can use whatever help you can give. Contact Manzone at manzomen@bc.edu to find out how you can help donating much needed items, or visit www.hugsforheroes.com. You also can e-mail hugfordheroes@gmail.com to be put on a mailing list and receive updates and information on current Hugs for Heroes projects.
Taking Time to Follow Their Muses

Freshman bringing a solid beat to his Boston College experience

BY ED HAYWARD
STAFF WRITER

It’s not rock superstardom. But it’s a start.

Boston College freshman Ben Shanbrom and his band bushwhack are earning praise from online music critics for their self-titled debut CD, which they have released themselves and been selling at shows and through iTunes and other online retailers since the summer.

For Shanbrom, the group’s drummer, the CD marks a critical first step in taking the instrumental “art rock” act from the club scene of their native New Haven, Conn., to a broader audience.

Shanbrom says the album was recorded over a period of six months, following three years of songwriting.

“It is the culmination of three years of writing and six months of recording — organized around school and family and all of the other things you do,” he says. “So we’re really proud of it and we feel like we put out best foot forward.”

The 13-song CD, produced by progressive/underground rock veteran Jeff Cannata in Oxford Circus Studio, has been praised for its polished assembly and execution as much as the sudden cascade of sound Shanbrom says serves as the influence for the group’s name.

“The band’s name did sort of start out a little political, but we were more interested in describing a sudden, overwhelming arrival of sound,” says Shanbrom, a student in the College of Arts and Sciences. “We’re not that political. We’re definitely more about the music.”

A regular performer in clubs near New Haven, bushwhack will get some additional exposure next month when an ad for Smith Drums, featuring Shanbrom pounding away on his kit, appears in Drumhead magazine.

In addition to Shanbrom, the band includes guitarist Jamie van Dyck, keyboardist Frank Sacramone and bassist Brandon Green. So far, three out of the four are in the Boston area attending college, while van Dyck is closer to home, attending Yale. The distance has cut into rehearsal time, but Shanbrom says the band is making due with limited practice.

“We all know what we have to do and we all have to make sacrifices because it all means a lot to us — both the music and college,” says Shanbrom.

Bushwhack performs instrumental rock and roll, defined by some as “progressive metal.” But Shanbrom says the band just likes to play loud and fast, without being confined by one particular genre, be it metal, hard rock, alternative, Latin or jazz. Ultimately, lyrics and vocals will join the bushwhack mix, he says, but it will take the right singer at the right time to advance the band to the next level of performance.

Next for in line for bushwhack: opening for more established New England metal bands, finding a distributor for the CD, and working with their new manager to seek out a high-visibility tour for the band next year. In the short term, bushwhack is scheduled to play gigs in the New Haven area this month. Information about the band and some of their songs are available at www.bushwhack-music.com or www.myspace.com/bushwhack.

Can the demanding schedules of an aspiring rock star and an undergraduate student co-exist? Shanbrom says that is the goal.

“We obviously want to enjoy college life,” he says. “But we’re four best friends and this is our dream. We’re willing to make the sacrifices. I hope to get both of these things to work together.”

Shanbrom says the foursome has found strong encouragement from their parents.

“We just have a rule: they aren’t allowed to wear any of our shirts.”

‘Dancer’s Christmas’ offers the role(s) of a lifetime for junior

BY SEAN SMITH
CHRONICLE EDITOR

Just imagine a college baseball player being asked to go to Fenway Park and jump into the shoes — almost literally — of a Curt Schilling or David Ortiz, and you have some idea of Carroll School of Management junior Jonathan Arpino’s experience with “A Dancer’s Christmas.”

The Westwood, Mass., native is making his debut this year in the dance-flavored interpretation of the Christmas story that has played to appreciative audiences in Smith Theater for more than 25 years. The 2007 edition of the show will close out with performances Saturday and Sunday.

But Arpino isn’t exactly playing a bit part. He’s taken on many of the roles that for 20 years had been filled by James Hansel, a professional dancer and associate director of the Boston Liturgical Dance Ensemble (BLDE), which stages “A Dancer’s Christmas.”

Arpino has responded to the challenge like a seasoned veteran, according to Boston College Jesuit Artist-in-Residence Rev. Robert VerEecke, SJ, the show’s creator and guiding spirit as well as BLDE president.

“Join is without a doubt one of the most gifted dancers I’ve seen in my 30 years working with BC students,” said Fr. VerEecke last week as the show prepared for its premiere. “He possesses a very strong ballet technique but is very versatile in his performance skills.”

Arpino, who performs with the Boston College Dance Ensemble, has studied at The Ballet Workshop of New England, the Boston Ballet School and the San Francisco Ballet School. Before focusing strictly on ballet, he took instruction in tap, jazz, and modern dance for 10 years, taking part in numerous conventions and competitions.

So what does a management student — who will spend next semester in an environmental studies program in Australia, and plans to attend law school after graduation — find enjoyable about dance? Even Arpino can’t say for sure.

“It’s hard to specify exactly what I like most, but of the most exciting benefits of dancing is performing, which is unparalleled by any other experience I have ever taken part in,” he says. “There’s also the fact that dance, and ballet in particular, is incredibly challenging. Dance is constantly pushing you to both your mental and physical limits, and even at these limits there is still so much room to grow as a dancer.”

“The quest for perfection in dance, although unattainable, is the ultimate motivator and what makes it so enjoyable.”

But Arpino has found the show “refreshing and exciting,” and likes the experience of being able to “build a character” — his roles include that of a king, a troubadour and the Devil — on stage through choreography.

“All of the dancers are incredibly talented, and it has been a pleasure to work with both the choreographers and the entire cast.”

Arpino certainly has made a lasting impression on his director.

“If his career trajectory were not in other directions,” said Fr. VerEecke, “I have no doubt that he could make it in the professional dance world. His performances with the BC Dance Ensemble are always a highlight, but I think that his participation in ‘A Dancer’s Christmas’ will display other aspects of his considerable talents.”

For information on the upcoming performances of “A Dancer’s Christmas,” see www.bc.edu/arts/robsham/currentseason/dancersxmas.html.
Eagles Bidding to Be Champs in Orlando

Men’s Soccer Earns BC Its First ACC Title

Three years after going wireless in Atlantic Coast Conference play, the Boston College men’s soccer team won the school’s first ACC championship with a stunning 2-1 victory over No. 1-ranked Wake Forest in the league title game in Cary, NC, on Nov. 18.

The ACC victory catapulted BC into the top seeding for the NCAA Championship Tournament, but the Eagles lost to the University of Massachusetts, 2-1, in the first round of NCAA play on Nov. 29.

“We went through a lot to get where we are now,” said BC coach Ed Kelly after winning the league crown. “This is our third year in the ACC. The first year we were 0-6-2 and had a lot of freshmen and immatures. The kids have matured and they are working very hard and this has been a really good season,” added Kelly, who was named ACC Coach of the Year after piloting the Eagles to a 15-5-1 overall record, and a 7-1-0 mark in conference play.

In 20 years of coaching at Boston College, Kelly has led his teams to NCAA Tournament six times. Significant contributors to BC’s successful season were Alejandro Bedoya, a junior midfielder from Weston, Fla., who was named the ACC’s Outstanding Offensive Player of the Year, and senior forward Sheron Man社会发展 (Marcas, Trini- dad), the ACC Tournament’s Most Valuable Player.

Bedoya, Manxwell and junior back Paul Gestenbergh (Schenect- edy, NY) were named to the ACC All-Tournament Team, and Bedoya and midfielder Reuben Ayama (Ac- cia, Ghana) were selected for All-ACC first team honors. Ayama suffered a foot injury in the Wake Forest game and did not play in the NCAA match against UMass.

Bedoya, who transferred to BC from Fairleigh-Dickson Univer- sity last year, has also been named one of 15 semifinalists for the Hermann Trophy, to be awarded to the nation’s top college soccer player by the Missouri Athletic Club on Jan. 11. In women’s soccer, coach Ali- son Kuikle’s Boston College team also earned a spot in the NCAA Tournament with an 11-4-4 regu- lar season record, but lost to the University of Connecticut, 5-4 on penalty kicks, after the teams battled to a 0-0 tie after two over- time periods in the national tour- nament game played at Boston College on Nov. 16.

—Red Odin

CSON’s Sister Roy a ‘Living Legend’

Professor Sister Callista Roy, CSJ (CSON), was honored as a “Liv- ing Legend” at the 34th Annual Meeting and Conference of the American Academy of Nursing in Washington, D.C. on Nov. 16.

Each year, the American Acad- emy of Nurses (AAN) confers “Living Legend” status upon a small group of academy fellows who have made the most signifi- cant and lasting contributions to the field of nursing.

Sister Roy, an AAN fellow since 1978, is widely recognized for cre- ating the Roy Adaptation Model, a nursing theory that defines in- dividuals as adaptive systems and emphasizes the role of the nurse in the promotion of adaptation. The model is included in many nursing school curriculums and broader healthcare reforms often use it in designing strategies.

“The honor came as a surprise and I was received with great joy and humility,” said Sister Roy. “It is a treasured mark of distinction to be recognized by my colleagues in the American Academy of Nurs- ing. For 30 years I have been and will continue to contribute to the mission of the academy. However, I am gratified to know that those we have mentored will enhance the good that nursing ac- complishes by their commitment to the health of individuals and the good of society.”

Boston College Center for Nursing Research Director Prof. Barbara Wolfe said, “Sister Cal- lista Roy is an extraordinary role model in the field, and an impor- tant part of the history as well as the future of nursing. These are the quintessential characteristics of a living legend.”
Newsmakers
•Prof. Dwayne E. Carpenter (Romanian Languages and Literatures) was featured in a Boston Globe article on gambling and religious history.

•Adj. Assoc. Prof. Michael Keith (Communication) was interviewed by the Boston Business Journal regarding Pyramid Radio’s point-of-purchase and public broadcast audio systems.

Publications
•Prof. Cynthia Simmons (Slavic and Eastern Languages) published “Women’s Work and the Growth of Civil Society in Post-War Bosnia” in Nationalities Papers.

•Prof. Rosemarie Bodenheimer (English) published Knowing Dickens.

•Prof. James Mahdik (LSOE) published “Health behaviors and masculinity in Australian college men” in Psychology of Men and Masculinity, and co-authored with Adj. Prof. Shaun Burns (LSOE) “Understanding how masculine gender scripts may contribute to men’s adjustment following treatment for prostate cancer” in American Journal of Men’s Health.

Honors/Appointments
•Assoc. Prof. Jeffrey Cohen (CSOM) was named the recipient of the 2008 Innovations in Auditing Education Award from the American Accounting Association’s Auditing Section.

•Assoc. Prof. John Gallaugher (CSOM) was named one of three national finalists for the 2007 Instructional Innovation Award from the Decision Sciences Institute. The honor recognizes Gallaugher’s work on the TechTrek field course for graduate and undergraduate students.

Grants
•Adj. Assoc. Prof. Michael Noone (Music): $700,000, Fundación Caja Madrid, to record a series of CDs of the works of Tomás Luis de Victoria (ca. 1548-1611).

•Graduate School of Social Work Director of Continuing Education Vincent Lynch: $25,000, Gildea Sciences, to support the 20th Annual National Conference on Social Work and HIV/AIDS.

Two Honors for Fr. Monan
University Chancellor J. Donald Monan, SJ, has received two major awards this fall, including one that also honored First Lady Laura Bush and broadcast journalist Maria Shriver. Fr. Monan was among eight recognized by the American’s Promise Alliance for their help in supporting the health, education and welfare of children. The APA, founded by former Secretary of State Colin Powell in 1997, is based on a joint effort of non-profit groups, corporations, community leaders, charities, faith-based organizations and individuals to improve children’s lives.

The award cited Fr. Monan’s work as founder of the Mass Mentoring Partnership and MENTOR programs.

Mrs. Bush and Shriver also were among those honored by the APA at a ceremony that took place in the White House East Room.

In addition, Fr. Monan was selected for the American Irish Historical Society Gold Medal, which is given to prominent contributors to American Irish culture. Announcing the award, the society said, “Father Monan’s legacy in American higher education is certain. In honoring him, the society also chooses to recognize a life devoted to the selfless caring for and nurturing of others—men, the impoverished, the oppressed, the weak and needy.”

“Father Monan’s leadership is extraordinary,” the society said. “Since 1997 and continuing to the present day, he has guided a remarkable number of initiatives that are shaping the lives of countless students and professors in the Boston area and beyond.”

Fr. Monan was presented with the award by AIHS President-Executive Director of the Society of Jesus.”

The following are among the most recent positions posted by the Department of Human Resources. For more information on employment opportunities at Boston College, see www.bc.edu/ offices/hr/.

Cashier/Line, Dining Services (Lower Campus)
Job Coach, Lynch School of Education - Campus School Program Administrator, Irish Institute Research Associate, Center for Retirement Research Administrative Assistant, Center for Retirement Research Administrative Assistant, Center for Retirement Research, Carroll School of Management Finance Department Associate Director, Corporate Affairs, Development Office Executive Director, Advancement Communications and Marketing Food Service Worker, Dining Services – Catering Director, Corporate and Foundation Relations, Development Office
The ‘Buddies’ System

Nearly 50 area foster children from ages 2 to 17 joined more than 100 Boston College freshmen last Saturday for the annual “Christmas Buddies” party, sponsored by the Office of Residential Life in conjunction with the Department of Social Services. Volunteers served as “buddies” for each child, playing games, making arts and crafts or just sharing the timeless joy of throwing snowballs around. The day concluded with a visit from Santa Claus, who posed for a photo with each child and presented him or her with a gift donated by freshman students from Upper or Newton campuses. The children’s parents enjoyed a luncheon in Shaw House.

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