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East and West at BC

He’s a master chef, a television personality and the owner of a nationally renowned restaurant, the Blue Ginger in Wellesley. But there’s more to Ming Tsai than meets the eye, and that’s the reason he’s been invited to speak next week on campus.

Tsai will present “East-West Cuisine and the Asian-American Experience” on April 15 at 4 p.m. in the Murray Room of the Yawkey Center, an event sponsored by the Asian Pacific Islander Employees of Boston College. More than 200 people are expected to attend, according to Warren Yi-Jeng Chi, program administrator and academic counselor at the Office of AHANA Student Programs.

Host and executive producer of “Simply Ming” on PBS, Tsai has worked with the Food Network and was nominated for an Emmy Award for hosting “East Meets West with Ming Tsai.” But Ye-jing notes that Tsai also is spokesman for the Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Network and a founding member of Chefs for Humanity, an alliance of culinary professionals and educators providing nutrition education, hunger relief, and emergency aid to reduce hunger across the world.

“As a group of Asian American professionals at BC, it is important for us, as a group, to raise awareness for issues that face us,” says Ye-jing, “Ming Tsai is one of the few Asian Americans that has made it into the mainstream media. He’s also a local guy who goes back to the Magna Carta.”

In the long run

Colleagues and former students came to wish Prof. Stephen Brown (Theology) a happy 75th birthday on March 29 in entirely appropriate fashion: a day-long symposium, followed by a dinner and special presentation of a volume of essays in his honor.

Brown, a member of the BC faculty for almost 30 years, is widely recognized for his expertise in medieval philosophy and theology. The director of BC’s Institute for Medieval Philosophy and Theology, Brown edited the critical edition of the texts by William of Ockham and has served as a consultant for a project aimed at digitizing the Vatican Library.

The title of the symposium and festschrift, “Philosophy and Theology in the Long Middle Ages,” refers to the scholarly expression in French, le long deus — “the long duration” — and celebrates Brown’s influence on the range of scholarship from the patriarch Good, 200-500 C.E., to the so-called early Modern period of the 16th century, explains event co-convener Assoc. Prof. Eileen Sweeney (Philosophy).

“It really is a ‘long middle age’ in the 16th century,” she says. “The notion of the boundaries of the ages, ancient, medieval, modern, are changing expanding and overlapping and Steve’s work and influence respects that.”

More than half of the 40 contributors to the festschrift turned out for the occasion. The symposium included talks by Brown’s BC colleagues Prof. Oliva Blanchette (Philosophy) and graduate student John Sledmamaker, as well as Rev. Matthew Lamb, a former BC theology professor now at Ave Maria University in Florida, where Brown is teaching this semester.

During the presentation, Juan Carlos Flores, MA’95, an associate professor of philosophy at Providence College, said, “Even though I never had the opportunity to take a course with Steve, and he was never officially my advisor, Steve, through generous initiative, has remained throughout the years my greatest mentor, when reviving my dissertation, seeking grants, applying for jobs, publishing work, and exploring ideas.”

Interviewed afterward, Brown said, “It was wonderful to see so many friends, some coming from far away. Having trained in philosophy, and then taken a position in theology, I feel fortunate to be at BC, where I’ve been able to explore both disciplines in a way that’s satisfying and rewarding. It’s rare to have this kind of community.”

Value judgment

Alumni brought paintings, porcelain and coins — along with dozens of other rare and not-so-rare artifacts and heirlooms from attics and mantels — to the Boston College Lifelong Learning Institute’s inaugural “What Is It Worth?” on April 27.

The items were evaluated by Skinner Appraisers auctioneers Stuart Whitehurst, one of the many Skinner representatives who appear on PBS-TV’s popular “Antiques Road Show” program. Whitehurst entertained and informed the 70 alumni at the event with his knowledge of the art treasures and his frank appraisal of their current resale value.

“BC’s Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI) is an on-going peer learning and participation program sponsored by the Alumni Association. Members gather weekly to discuss and share knowledge on a variety of topics.”

“The biggest thing people want to find out is whether or not what they have been told about an item is true,” noted Whitehurst after his presentation. “People are given a particular sequence of ownership or where it came from, and oftentimes people are curious as to whether or not it is true.

“Get a lot more questions about ‘What is it?’ than ‘What is it worth?’” he said. “They don’t always think that things are treasures, but by and large I think people are more realistic about the value of things, but more question.

Whitehurst asked each auditor “What do you know about it?” as he displayed the individual items.

“If you take one drunk uncle to make people think they have a valuable piece of art or history,” Whitehurst laughed. “Oh, if grandmother owned it, it must be 200 years old or you think it goes back to the Magna Carta.”

“If I use the words ‘cute’ or ‘sweet’, be prepared for a low value,” Whitehurst cautioned, although some of the items submitted he valued in excess of $10,000.

“The program was most definitely a success,” said Carol Naber, LLI’s program manager who organized the event with the help of Alumni Association staffers Gail Darnell, Julie Nuzzo and Sophie Chuhlak, “We are trying to broaden the institute’s appeal to alumni of all ages, and this event certainly drew a broad spectrum.

‘Maybe this will be an annual event,’ she added. ‘You never know what is lurking in this attic.”

Eagles Begin Frozen Four Battle Tonight in Denver

Playing in the NCAA ice hockey “Frozen Four” National Championship round has become almost an annual rite of spring at Boston College.

Coach Jerry York’s Eagles will play North Dakota in the national semifinal round in Denver tonight (6 p.m., ESPNU). The winner of the BC-UND game will meet the winner of the other semifinal game, Notre Dame vs. Michigan, on Sunday (7 p.m., ESPNU).

The Eagles defeated Minnesota and Miami of Ohio on March 29 and 30, respectively, to advance to the “Frozen Four” for the third consecutive year, the eighth time in the past 11 seasons and the ninth time overall.

The NCAA victory over Minnesota was a special milestone for York, who recorded his 800th win as a college coach, the most of any active collegiate hockey mentor. York, a 1967 BC graduate, has coached at Jackson and Licensing Green before taking over the duties at his alma mater in 1994.

Boston College last won the NCAA hockey championship in 2001. Last year, BC lost to Michigan State, 3-1, in the national title game in St. Louis.

—Reid Olsen
April 15 Event a Tribute to Fr. Woods

Advancing Studies College dean to mark two major milestones

BY ED HAYWARD
STAFF WRITER

Students, alumni, faculty and friends will pay tribute to College of Advancing Studies founding Dean James A. Woods, SJ, next Tuesday, marking his 60 years as a Jesuit and 40 years as a dean while raising money for scholarship funds.

Woods was just 17 when he entered the Society of Jesus, at a time when young men could still enter the society straight from high school. Ordained a Jesuit priest in 1961, he worked in a number of posts as a teacher and educational administrator at BC, as well as assignments within the Jesuits’ New England Province. In 1968, Fr. Woods was appointed dean of the University’s Evening College — called “night school” back then, but quickly transformed into what is now known as continuing education.

The college now serves a student body that is diverse by many measures: ethnicity, income, age, and language.

Woods tries not to complicate the focus of the college, which enrolls nearly 500 undergraduate and graduate students. “It’s about telling people that you do it, whatever their aspirations, their education can help them fulfill their lives and that they are capable of being educated.”

The college was named in Fr. Woods’ honor in 2002 thanks to a $5 million donation from Bob and Robert M. Devin and their family. Bob Devin was a former student of Fr. Woods at Cranwell Preparatory School in Lenox, Mass., and two of the Devlin’s, Michael, 88, and Matthew, 80, graduated from the Evening College.

For years, the school has offered a serious education outside of the traditional undergraduate timeframe, a critical option for students who work full-time during the day, have young children or a need to help or care for a child or elder care, or who prefer a part-time schedule or the intimate class settings within the college.

While he has celebrated many milestones in his life as a Jesuit and as dean at BC, Fr. Woods says his approach to each day is no different.

“Why should it be?” he says. “I have a positive outlook. Things look rosy to me. I see people and know that they want to live a good life and take advantage of the opportunities before them. The needs are just as great today as they were 40 or 60 years ago.”

Notes of thanks and requests for help arrive in the mail, some addressed simply as “Father Woods, Chestnut Hill.” Alumni send thoughtful letters to the dean, faculty and staff.

“How comfortably you make me feel about my return to higher education,” wrote one alumni. “I swear to this day that you knew more about me than I remember putting on my application.”

Wrote another: “In essence, Fr. Woods taught me that life is truly what we make of it, and no matter where we come from, rich or poor, it does not determine how far we can go.”

When his fellow “‘48ers” gather annually to mark the day they entered the Society of Jesus, it is Fr. Woods who orchestrates and serves the traditional meal of lobster or fish, salad, potato and strawberry shortcake for dessert.

“It’s hard to exaggerate the achievements of Fr. Woods,” says Prof. Joseph F. Flanagan, SJ (Phi-losoopy), who recalls that Woods was voted “most likely to succeed” among the 34 men who entered the seminary in August of 1948.

“He did achieve. But what I respect most is the extra dedication he has to his vocation. He is an exemplar of what the Jesuit priest should be. He has achieved beyond any measure of his talents.”

The celebration of Fr. Woods’ 60th year as dean of the Woods College of Advancing Studies and the Class of 2008 takes place at 6:30 p.m., April 15, at Alumni’s Pan & Restaurant in Boston. For more information about the event, call ext.2-3900.

University Employees to See Medical, Dental Hikes

Boston College employees face hikes in their medical and dental plan rates, the Benefits Office announced in its recent Universitywide mailing on the open enrollment period.

Effective May 1, rates for the both the Harvard Pilgrim PPO and HMO plans will go up by 8.75 percent. The DeltaPremier plan rates will increase by 7.7 percent, and the community-rated DeltaCare plan by 3 percent.

The total monthly health and dental plan premiums will be: PPO, $595.40 (individual), $1,364.61 (family); HMO, $454.41 (individual), $1,226.91 (family); DeltaPremier, $345.65 (individual), $813.75 (family); DeltaCare, $32.09 (individual), $79.33 (family).

Benefits Director Jack Burke noted that there will be no changes in health plan co-payments or benefits, or to the Contribution Schedule, whereby the University contributes 80 percent to the PPO premium and 85 percent to the HMO premium.

During April, eligible employees may switch coverage from one plan to another, enroll in a medical or dental plan for the first time, or change membership from individual to family (or vice versa). Applications for enrollment or changes must be submitted to the Benefits Office no later than April 22, with the transaction effective May 1.

For information, contact the Office of Public Affairs or see www.bc.edu/offices/hr/employees/open-enrollment.html.

---Office of Public Affairs

Clarification, Correction on March 27 Chronicle Items

A caption on page 2 in the Boston College Chronicle March 27 edition that accompanied the photograph of a reception in Burns Library for Irish and Northern Irish police officers neglected to mention that the Center for Irish Programs hosted the event. Also in March 27, the photo caption for the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston misspelled the name of award finalist Stephanie Sanabria. Chronicle regrets the above omission and error.
McCullough to Speak at Commencement

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In his career, McCullough has also been an editor, essayist, teacher, lecturer and familiar presence on public television — as host of "Smithsonian World," "The American Experience," and narrator of numerous documentaries including "The Civil War." McCullough’s other books include "The Johnstown Flood, The Great Bridge, The Path between the Sea, Morning on Meronsee, Brave Companions and Truman.

In addition to his many literary and historical honors, in 2006 he received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation’s highest civilian award.

Brother Celestino Arias, '90, is more commonly known as "Brother Tino" among some of the toughest streets of urban Boston and New York City, as well as the far corners of East Africa and South America. Born in New York and raised in Spain, Brother Arias has devoted his life to his Catholic faith and service as a teacher, humanitarian and advocate of the poor and marginalized.

He entered the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin in 1990, after growing up in BC with dual degrees in history and philosophy, and fulfilled his post-novitiate formation requirements at BC and Maryknoll School of Theology. He holds a master's degree in social work from Columbia University.

In 2000, Brother Arias built the Catholic Charities Cape Verdean program in Boston from the ground up, empowering urban children and local families. More than 200 youth were affiliated with the center last year, receiving counseling and academic assistance or participating in organized sports instead of gangs.

Currently working as co-director of postulacy at St. Michael Friary in Brooklyn, Brother Arias manages a program he established: Cap-Aid, the Capuchin Africa Program for Development, which helps foster social and human development, combat HIV/AIDS and other infectious diseases and promote sustainable ability in Africa. The program was realized after Arias spent over eight months with the Capuchin Friars of Kenya and Tanzania, where he helped to develop and support a dozen projects for the poor and sick refugees.

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Henry Levin to Give Boisi Education Lecture April 17

Henry M. Levin, a leading expert on the economics of education and human resources, will give the 14th Annual Boisi Lecture in Education and Public Policy on April 17 at 4:45 p.m. in McGuinn 121.

Levin, who is the William H. Kilpatrick Professor of Economics and Education at Teachers College Columbia University, will present "Expanding the Number of Alternatives for Cost-Effectiveness and Benefit-Cost Analyses in Education."

A former economist at the Brookings Institution who has published 16 books and almost 300 articles, Levin is a nationally recognized researcher on topics such as educational reform, educational vouchers, cost-effectiveness analysis, financing educational equity, and educational accountability.

From 1986-2000, Levin served as the director of the Accelerated Schools Project, a national school reform initiative for accelerating the education of at-risk students. Today there are more than 1,000 Accelerated elementary and secondary schools in some 40 states, with 50 schools in Hong Kong. In 1991, the New York Times named him one of nine national leaders for "Innovation in Education," and the Money Magazine has named the Charles A. Dana Award for Pioneering Contributions to Education.

The lecture is free and open to the University community and general public. For information, e-mail joyc@bc.edu.

Office of Public Affairs
Four BC Arts Alumni to Share Talents at Festival

Boston College will welcome back to campus four accomplished alumni — filmmaker and actor Tom McCarthy, ’88, author and journalist Mike Lupica, ’74, and theater professionals Amy Lerman-Ende, ’97, and Paul DiGaetano, ’87 — to take part in the 10th annual BC Arts Festival, which runs April 24-26.

McCarthy, who wrote and directed the critically acclaimed “The Station Agent,” will screen and discuss his new film, “The Visitor,” on April 25 at 8 p.m. The following day, April 26, from 4-5 p.m., he will be the guest for “Inside the BC Studio” — an interview session modeled after Bravo TV’s “Inside the Actor’s Studio” — where he will talk about his career with Adj. Assoc. Prof. Luke Jorgensen (Theater).

The two events, which both take place at the Arts Festival Main Tent on O’Neill Plaza, are free.

Later on April 26, McCarthy will receive the annual Boston College Arts Council Alumni Award for Distinguished Achievement as part of the Alumni Evening at the Arts Festival.

A native of New Providence, NJ, McCarthy has amassed an extensive list of theatrical, film, and television acting credits. His “The Station Agent” has earned such honors as the BAFTA for Best Screenplay and two Independent Spirit Awards, and was nominated for three Screen Actors Guild Awards and for Best Original Screenplay by the Writer’s Guild. The National Board of Review named it third on its list of Ten Best Films of 2003.

His new film, “The Visitor,” stars Richard Jenkins (of the popular TV series “Six Feet Under”) as a disillusioned Connecticut professor whose life is transformed by a chance encounter in New York City, when he finds a young couple living in his apartment. The film premiered at the 2007 Toronto Film Festival and is being released nationwide this month.

McCarthy’s acting credits include “Flags of Our Fathers,” “Syrina,” “Good Night, and Good Luck,” “Year of the Dog,” “Meet the Parents” and the final season of HBO’s series “The Wire.” He also has completed Peter Jackson’s film “The Lovely Bones.”

Lupica, having already cultivated a reputation as an outstanding sportswriter — he writes a syndicated column for the New York Daily News — has also carved out a niche as a top-notch young adult novelist. His 2007 work Haskell halfback number one on the New York Times bestseller list. His previous books, including Travel Team, Miracle on 49th Street and Steve Bullock — all New York Times bestsellers — have been enthusiastically received by youths and adults alike.

He will discuss young adult novels, including his latest, The Big Field, on April 26, from 1-2 p.m. in Gasson 100. Lupica also will sign copies of the book, which will be available from the BC Bookstore.

Lerman-Ende co-founded with her husband Tyran the Knight-horse Theatre Company, a nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing Shakespeare to students of all ages. Specializing in one- and two-person adaptations of Shakespeare, Knighthorse performs at schools, colleges, festivals and communities across the country and around the world.

At the Arts Festival, Lerman-Ende and Knighthorse will present “Shakespeare Jukebox: Best of the Bard,” on April 25 at 1:45 p.m. in O’Neill Plaza, during which audience members can request scenes from Shakespeare plays.

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**Alumni National Days of Service Will Be a Coast-to-Coast Affair**

By Reid Edlin

Boston College alumni from Brighton to Orange County will pitch in to help out in projects in their home communities during the third annual Alumni National Days of Service to be held on this year April 19 and 20.

The various projects, which range from a spring clean-up of Rogers Park, adjacent to BC’s Brighton Campus, to an MS fund-raising walk in Atlanta to an EarthCorps environment project in Seattle, will engage thousands of BC grads and their families in a tradition of community service that is growing every year.

“I think that it really speaks to the alumni’s experience here with their Jesuit education,” says Senior Associate Director for Alumni Chaplaincy and Campus Ministries Terry Leeman. “As the chapters grow, we are learning just how important the service component was when they were students and now we are able to offer that as an alumni program.”

Leeman says that participation in the Service Days has increased by at least 20 percent in each of the three years that they have been adopted by local chapters around the nation.

“We start the conversation with chapters each December,” Leeman says, “and almost all want to partner with Boston College Club Board of Governors members and community service that they need some assistance from the Alumni Association office – as opposed to say a ‘game watch’ or ‘watch’ where everyone just gathers around a TV – so we feel very well that we can serve as a resource in this.”

“Clearly, the alumni are seeing it, they are liking it and they are wanting more,” says Leeman.

Locally, Amy Stanley, ’02, is hoping to help the Rogers Park beautification project that will bring nearly 50 volunteers armed with trash bags and roses bulbs to the local playground.

“Rogers Park a great place to come to, to give back to the neighborhood and to help us create a better community relations,” says Stanley. “Alumni from all over Boston are coming to give back and to beautify a piece of property that is so close to the BC campus,” Stanley says.

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**New UGBC Administration Preparing to Take Office**

By Melissa Beecher

Juniors Chris Denice and Alejandro Montenegro have no illusions that taking the helm of the Undergraduate Government of Boston College will be easy.

The newly-elected UGBC executives, who assume their posts on May 1, admit that making the campus more environmentally friendly, improving relationships with neighbors and representing students’ interests in the University Master Plan process are pretty lofty goals — and those are only the beginning.

“There are many important issues facing us this year,” said presi- dent-elect Denice, a finance and marketing major. “It’s important to make sure there is a strong student voice, not only the powerful cur¬ rent students, but to ensure future students have a better BC.”

Denice and Montenegro, who were elected by nearly 52 percent of the 2,337 votes cast in the February student elections, have both lived off-campus this year and have UGBC as a critical role to play in neighborhood relations. Denice said he plans to appoint a student-representative to attend all the public Allston-Brighton City Council meetings.

“We want the neighbors to put a face to students at Boston College,” said Denice. “Sometimes percep¬ tion becomes reality. I, personally, have a great relationship with my neighbors, but we understand that there may be some problems.”

Denice is a native of East Green¬ wich, RI, who served this year as UGBC chief of staff. He has held positions as the Residence Hall As¬ sociation treasurer, Residence Hall Council and BC Students Athletic Committee member.

Montenegro, a political science major from Saratoga Springs, NY, was UGBC assistant director of student affairs this year, and has been involved in the Eagle Escort program, Residence Hall Associa¬ tion, cheerleading and intramural hockey.

The two have worked together since freshman year and when class¬ mates started encouraging them to run for president and vice presi¬ dent, they started to consider the possibility.

“We knew that if we were going to run, it would be together,” said Montenegro.

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**It’s One Decade and Counting**

By Reid Edlin

Former Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Kerry Healey will take part in a panel discussion at Boston College on April 22 that seeks to provide a wider examination of the controversial gay marriage issue.

Sponsored by the Boisi Center on Religion and American Public Life, “Gay Marriage in Theology, Law and Politics” will take place from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in Higgins 900.

The panelists will explore the theological, legal and political dimensions of gay marriage, including its controversial legalization in Massachusetts four years ago, when Healey was lieutenant governor. Healey, who holds a doctorate in political science and law, was a fellow at the Harvard University Institute of Politics last year.

Other panelists at the event will be: Boisi Center Assistant Director Erik O'Gara, whose research explores a variety of intersections between scientific, legal and public life, and who serves as moderator; former State Senator Cheryl Jacobs, ’84, a longtime gay civil rights activist and former president and executive director of the Human Rights Campaign; William Stacy Johnson, a faculty member at Princeton Theological Seminary who has written on the debates over gay mar¬ riage and civil unions; and David Blankenhorn, founder and president of the Institute for American Values, a private, nonpartisan organization that seeks to contribute to the renewal of marriage and family life.

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**Kerry Healey a Panelist for April 22 Boisi Center Forum on Gay Marriage**

Former Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Kerry Healey will take part in a panel discussion at Boston College on April 22 that seeks to provide a wider examination of the controversial gay marriage issue.

Sponsored by the Boisi Center on Religion and American Public Life, “Gay Marriage in Theology, Law and Politics” will take place from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in Higgins 900.

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**POSTINGS**

**Intercollegiate Poetry Festival is this Monday**

Boston College will host the 2008 Greater Boston Intercollegiate Poetry Festival, featuring the poetic talents of students from some 20 area colleges and universities, on Monday, April 14. Poet Robert Conda, who teaches at the College of the Holy Cross, will deliver a keynote speech at the event, which begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Murray Room of theYawkey Athletic Center. For more information, send e-mail to matson04btc@gmail.com.

April 15 concert to feature songs from Ulster

The Gaelic Roots Music, Song, Dance, Workshop and Lecture Series will present a concert on April 15 by Len Gra¬ ham, one of the most heralded singers in the modern Irish music revival. Graham, who specializes in songs and stories from the Ulster tradition in the north of Ireland, will perform at 7 p.m in Connolly House.

The concert is free and open to the public. For information, see www.bc.edu/gaelicroots, call ext.2-9385 or e-mail richarsh@bc.edu.

**Expert on Israeli-Palestinian conflict speaks**

Norman Finklestein, a son of Holo¬ caust survivors who is considered one of the foremost scholars on Israeli-Pale¬ stinian conflict, will present “Roots of Conflict, Paths to Peace” on April 16 at 4:30 p.m. in Gasson 305. Finklestein is the author of Beyond Chutzpah, The Rise and Fall of Pales¬ tinian: A Personal Account of the Intifada Year and The Holocaust Industry: Reflec¬ tions on the Exploitation of Jewish Suffering and various other works. His Web site is www.normanfinkelstein.com. For information, e-mail sainell@bc.edu.

Bill Mauldin biographer to give reading

Todd Delberton, ’88, will read from his book Bill Mauldin: A Life Up Front, the first-ever biography of the two-time Pu¬ blic Library of America and the author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning comic strip, on April 24 at 7 p.m. in Cushing 001. Delberton’s work recounts the life and career of the creator of the characters of Willie and Joe, two iconic World War II soldiers, in his wildly popular strip.

The event is sponsored by the Ameri¬ can Studies Program and Boston Col¬ lege Magazine.

Hibbs returns to BC next week

Former Boston College faculty mem¬ ber Thomas Hibbs will return to cam¬ pus next week for two lectures. On April 17, Hibbs, who is Dis¬ tinguished Professor of Ethics and Culture and Dean of the Honors Col¬ lege at Baylor University, will present “Fearful Thoughts of Mortals: Aquinas on Conflict, Self-Knowledge, and the Perils of Practical Reason” at 7 p.m. in Gasson 305. The event is presented by the Lonergan Workshop as a continuation of the series in the 21st Century Center series on the Catholic Intellectual Tradition. For information, e-mail jaeves@bc.edu or call ext.2-8095 or 617-543-9853.

On April 18, the Bradley Lecture Series at Boston College will present “It’s Beginning to Study Thomas Aquinas,” at 4 p.m in McGuinn 121. Contact Sher¬ ley Delagrange for more information at 414-41 by April 14 to attend the buffet supper and discussion in the MCeo¬ny Dining Room following the event.

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**It’s One Decade and Counting**

By Reid Edlin

The Boston College Club marked its 10th anniversary on March 31 with a gala event, “Night of the Stars: Celebrating 10 Years of Excellence,” attended by 200 people. University President William P. Leahy, SJ, spoke and was presented a check of $535,350.33, which covers full scholarships at BC for Boston area students; there are currently three students attending BC through the program. In photo above, Fr. Leahy and BC Club Manager Jada Emery, center, stand with Boston College Club Board of Governors members and co- founders (L-R) John MacKinnon, Owen Lynch and John Joyce, and David Woodyard, EVP of ClubCorp, the club’s parent company.
Manning Appointed Director of Sustainability, Energy Management

Deirdre Manning, formerly utility manager in the University’s Facilities Services division, has been named director of sustainability and energy management and the head of a new department with Facilities Management.

Manning’s new role involves upgrading, expanding and publicizing the University’s existing sustainability efforts in addition to her former assumption of overseeing energy management.

My responsibilities will include collaborating with all of the department across the BC campus,” she said. “Facilities Management, Dining Services, Transportation, Information Technology, Purchasing and any group on campus can implement programs and make small changes in the way they do business to mitigate the impact each organization has on the environment.”

Manning said new strategies designed to minimize waste will augment the University’s on-going “BCconserves” campaign to recycle plastic and metal containers and use less electricity. These include encouraging members of the BC community to print or copy on both sides of a sheet of paper, asking the University’s vendors to provide produce with less packaging, and requesting offices to purchase paper for copying machines that has some recycled content, she says.

“We also want to find a way to make sure that some of these new and existing efforts are publicized,” Manning said. “If somebody is doing something that is a good idea, we want to get the word out and hopefully, other people will try to emulate that progress. A small step taken by many people will make a big difference.”

For example, volunteering an hour or two for Cleansweep [a program that recycles furniture and household items left behind by resident students each spring] will help to prevent perfectly good items from going to a landfill while benefiting those who are less fortunate in our community.

“It is obvious that BC has made a commitment to greening the campus,” Manning said, “and there are more commitments to come.”

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PEOPLE

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The award, established in 1993, is given annually to individuals who draw “a commitment to high professional standards in business and personal life, demonstrated outstanding service to CSOM, and actively represented the School and its colleagues.” It was presented to Fr. McNichols at the CSOM Rec-ognition dinner on March 26. Fr. McNichols is the first Jesuit to receive the award. He has been a member of the Carroll School Community as a student (Class of 1944), faculty member (1959-64 and 1996-96) and administrator (1962-64). The Keyes Award winner is chosen by a senior faculty committee. The award is named in honor of the late Assoc. Prof. Robert Keyes, a highly-respected and well-liked member of CSOM’s marketing department faculty for 35 years who also served as a senior dean and director of the school’s graduate studies program. He died in 2000.

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New Gift Award Honors Memory of James F. Stanton

The James F. Stanton ’42 Senior Class Gift Award has been established to honor a past member of the Senior Class Gift Committee in recognition of their outstanding volunteer service and leadership.

The award was established by Mr. Stanton’s widow, former Boston College alumnus Helen Stanton, GSSW ’43, and her children. Each year this endowed fund will provide income that will be added to the Senior Class Gift Fund. Each year a member of the previous year’s Senior Class Gift Committee will be honored. That year’s recipient is Ryan Harm’s ’07, who was presented with the award at the Annual Volunteer Tribute Dinner March 27.

A long-time distinguished and dedicated volunteer in support of the University’s advancement efforts, Mr. Stanton worked with the students of Boston College in the 1960s to establish the first Senior Class Gift program in the hope of inspiring lifelong giving to Boston College. He was awarded the William V. McKenney Medal as Outstanding Alumnus of the year in 1963 and received the Presidential Bicentennial Award Rable Medal in 1976.

Among his associations with the University, Mr. Stanton was a founding member of Bricks for Boston College, Alumni Association president, director, and treasurer, a charter member of FIDES and President’s Circle, and, along with his wife, first-co-chair of the Boston College Parent’s Council.

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Newsmakers

Cultural anthropologist Marit Cederstrand, a principal in- vestigator at the Center on Aging and Work, was interviewed for a perspective piece on the “mid-life crisis” published by the Washington Post.

The Boston Globe City Weekly reported on the successful efforts by BC Neighborhood Center As- sistant Director Moe Maloney to forge a partnership between Allston’s Horace Mann School, the nation’s oldest public day school for the hearing impaired, and the West End Boys and Girls Club.

The International Herald Tribune cited a working paper written by Cleary Professor of Finance Ed- ward Kane for the National Bu- reau of Economic Analysis that places some of the blame for the current credit crisis on international- regulatory competition. Kane spoke with 2X4 Today about the lessons to be learned from Sweden’s economic recovery in the early 1990s.

Writing in the Metrowest Daily News, Research Prof. Irwin Blum (LSOE) discussed the need for additional revenue for local cities and towns, in the wake of the ca- sino plan defeat.

The New York Times cited a re- port co-authored by Visiting Prof. Elizabeth Keating (CSOM) on the billions lost in thefts from charity.

The Boston Globe interviewed Prof. Juliet Scho (Sociology) and part-time faculty member John Dacey (LSEOE) for a story on the trend toward no-gift children’s birthday parties.

Publications

• Assoc. Prof. Bruce Morrill, SJ (Theology) published “Liturgical Theology as a Scientific Practice” in the American Academy of Reli- gious’ Spotlight on Theological Edu- cation.

• Prof. Alan Rogers (History) published Murder and the Death Penalty in Massachusetts and “The Death Penalty and Reversible Er- ror in Massachusetts,” in Pierce Law Review.


• Adj. Assoc. Prof. Michael Noone (Music) published “Printed po- lyphony acquired by Toledo Ca- thedral, 1545-1600” in Early Mu- sic Printing and Publishing in the Iberian World.


Honors/Appointments

• Prof. Diana Pullin (SLOE) was appointed to a three-year term on the American Educational Research Association Presidents’ Standing Committee on Ethics.

• Prof. Renee Jones (Law) was recently elected to membership in the American Law Institute.

• CSOM doctoral student Sandy Hannon-Engel received a Na- tional Research Service Award for her project “Role of Altered CCK Response in Bulimia Nervosa.”

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Chemistry Series Welcomes Energy Landscapes Expert
The University Lectures in Chemistry series this year will welcome Peter G. Wolynes, the Francis H. Crick Professor in Physical Sciences and a faculty member in the Chemistry, Biochemistry, and Physics departments at the University of California at San Diego, for three talks on energy landscapes next week.

Professor Wolynes will present the following lectures from 4:30 p.m. in Merkert 127, April 15, “Landscapes of the Sciences,” April 16, “Energy Landscapes and Solved Protein Folding Problems,” April 17, “Beyond Protein Folding.”

Wolynes is a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the American Academy for the Advancement of Science, among other organizations. Wolynes has done seminal work in theoretical chemistry that includes theories of chemical reactions, quantum phenomena in liquids and theories of glasses. He is particularly well known for his development of the energy landscape theory of protein folding, which brought the perspectives of modern statistical mechanics to this central problem of molecular biology, leading to new approaches for predicting protein structure from sequence.

Wolynes’ visits as University lecturer are sponsored by Sigma-Aldrich.

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University Sets Tuition
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all admitted students. Nearly 70 percent of Boston College students receive financial aid, with the average need-based financial aid package projected to increase to $27,974 in 2008-2009. In addition, the trustees set the University’s 2008-2009 operating budget at $772 million, which includes revenue to support the University’s strategic initiatives, new campus construction and increased expenditures for academic programs.

The budget was balanced by inflationary pressures — and by higher energy, food and health care costs — and by our commitment to providing a first-class educational and formational experience for all of our students.

While remaining committed to excellence both in and out of the classroom, we have stepped up efforts to gain yet greater efficiencies in academic and non-academic programs throughout the University to lessen financial pressures faced by families of BC students, and to narrow the gap between the cost of attending BC and median family incomes.

This year, Boston College received 30,800 applicants for the 2,250 seats in its freshman class, an increase of roughly 8 percent over last year. It remains the fourth-most-competitive private university in the United States.

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O’Toole to Present Talk on Catholics in America
Clough Millennium Professor of History James O’Toole, one of the country’s most prominent experts on American religion and American Catholicism, will discuss his new book, The Faithful: A History of Catholics in America on April 17.

O’Toole, whose talk takes place at 7 p.m. in Devlin 101, is being presented as part of the University’s “Writers Among Us” series spotlighting Boston College faculty and authors.

The Faithful documents the story of Catholics in America from the perspective of the lay believers, beginning with the first settlements in the original American colonies. O’Toole touches on the complex ties between American Catholicism and the Christian Church leadership in Rome, and their equally multifaceted relationship with their own nation.

A focus of prayer, ritual and other expressions of faith by the faithful over the centuries, O’Toole traces the gradual arrival of Catholics into the American mainstream, as well as their responses to crises, including the recent clergy sexual abuse scandal. He also offers insights on the possible future of the American Catholic Church and its parishioners.

For information, call ext.2-4820 or e-mail andrewma@bc.edu.

University Events
April 21
• Performance: “ALC Showdown,” with performances by student music and dance groups, 7 p.m., Conte Forum. Tickets $5. For information, call ext.6-9184, e-mail bcCAS@bc.edu.

• Performance: “No Niggers, No Jews, No Dogs,” 7:30 p.m., Bonn Hall Studio, Rohan Theater, through April 12. Tickets $10. See www.bc.edu/office/rohan/contentevent/ prayed.png.

• Music & Art • Performance

April 10

April 11
• Concert: Voices of Imani, 7 p.m., Trinity Chapel, Newton Campus. E-mail osdanyat@bc.edu.

• Concert: Boston College Symphony Orchestra Spring Concert, conducted by John Finney, 8 p.m., Gannon 100. See www.bc.edu/schools/caa/music/calendar.html.

April 12
• Concert: Talib Kweli, 7 p.m., Conte Forum, $15. E-mail ann.andrusaia10@bc.edu.

• Concert: Boston College Flute Choir Spring Concert, directed by Judy Grant, 8 p.m., Gannon 100. See www.bc.edu/schools/caa/music/calendar.html.

• Concert: BC Dynamics Spring Concert, 7:30 p.m., Carsyn Hall, $15. E-mail mceldufb@bc.edu.

• Concert: The Boston College Gaelic Roots Series: Concert by galcotours, 7 p.m., Conte Forum, $15.

April 17
• Annual Book Lecture in Education and Public Policy: “Expanding the Number of Alternatives for Cost-Effectiveness and Benefit-Cost Analyses in Education,” with Henry Levin, Columbia University Teachers College, 4:45 p.m., McGuinn 121.

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• Workshop (in Spanish): “The Hispanic Presence in the Catholic Church in the US,” 9 a.m.-3 p.m., McGuinn Third Floor Lounge, $15. See www.bc.edu/dpcp, call ext.2-8057 or e-mail lambmb@bc.edu.

May 9
• Graduating Senior Concert: Boston College Chorale, directed by Dr. Priscilla Childress, 8 p.m., Gasson 100. See www.bc.edu/arts/music/calendar.html.

• Symposium: “Consequences of the Conflict: Higher Education in the Middle East,” with Taher al-Bakka, former Iraqi Minister of Education; Sattar al-Jawad, former English Department Chair, University of Baghdad; and the University of the Middle East Project President Hala Taweel, noon, Gasson 100. E-mail trae@bc.edu.

April 14
• Atlantic Worlds in Black and White Lecture Series: “Irish America and the Abolitionist Movement,” with Maurice Bric, 4 p.m., Connolly House. See www.bc.edu/atlanticworlds.

April 15
• University Lectures in Chemistry Science Lecture Series: the Sciences of the Sciences, with Peter Guy Wolynes, University of California at San Diego, 4 p.m., Merkert 127. Call ext.2-3045, e-mail dphoebe@bc.edu.

• Conversations With...Series: Barcelona McClintock, 7:30 p.m., Herbert Hall. See the Campus Life website for details.

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