

Beyond the Campus: Scholarly and Creative Accomplishments and Public Service of Framingham State College Faculty and Staff, 2006-2007

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Academic Departments

Art and Music Departments

Professor John Anderson was awarded a grant for \$7,000 from the Artist Resource Trust Fund to support the development of new animated films.

Professor Sachiko Beck had a solo show at the Bromfield Gallery, South End, Boston, in October. She showed her new Japanese paper collage and sumi-ink drawings. She also exhibited two new works in a group show at the Bromfield Gallery in September.

Professor Marc Cote had his solo exhibition, "Marc Cote: New Prints," on display at the Perrin Gallery on Harvard Street in Brookline, MA, in September and October.

****Was juried into the Boston Printmakers 2007 60th Anniversary North American Print Biennial at the 808 Gallery in Boston, MA, in February. The juror, Judy Hecker, is the assistant curator of the department of prints and illustrated books at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. Ms. Hecker selected 180 prints from the approximately 2,000 submitted works. Cote was awarded a \$4,000 grant by the Artist's Resource Trust for the Boston Printmakers, a member-operated non-profit arts organization, for his exhibition costs.

****Had his intaglio print, "White Cowboy," juried into the University of Wisconsin/Parkside National Small Print Exhibition in January. The print was selected by the juror for a Purchase Award.

****Had two woodcuts selected for the Danforth Museum's Members Show. His print, "Amongst Them at Variance," received a Jurors Commendation by the juror, Nick Capasso, curator for the DeCordova Museum and Sculpture Garden. The exhibition ran through June and July.

Professor Jim Eng had four works included in the Materials Show, an exhibition of the mixed media work of six artists, in the Mazmanian Art Gallery in December.

****Had a solo art show entitled "Work in Collage and Mixed Mediums" in the Hess Gallery at Pine Manor College, Chestnut Hill, MA, in March and April.

Professor Edward Melegian delivered pre-concert lectures at performances of the Symphony Pro Musica's 24th season in November, January and April. The concerts were

performed at Hudson High School and at the Mill Pond School in Westborough, and included classical and contemporary compositions.

Professor Barbara Milot won a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council (MCC) for a two-year project at Wilson Middle School in Natick. Through the MCC's Creative Schools Partnership the school received funding for a large public mural. Milot will be the project consultant and a member of the coordinating team, working with Cambridge mural artist David Fichter.

Dr. Elizabeth Perry was awarded a 2007 summer stipend of \$5,000 from the National Endowment for the Humanities to support research in England. Her project, "The Visual Culture of Syon Abbey at Lisbon (1594-1809)," is a study of the art patronage of the English Bridgettine nuns of Syon Abbey in exile in Portugal (following Henry VIII's suppression of English Catholicism).

****Had an article, "Convents, Art, and Creole Identity in Late Viceregal New Spain" included in the anthology *Woman and Art in Early Modern Latin America*, edited by Kellen Kee McIntyre and Richard E. Phillips, Brill Academic Press, 2006.

Professor Keri Straka showed her work in two group exhibitions: "Ceramics Biennial 2006," at the New Hampshire Institute of Art in November and "Our Cups Runneth Over" at the Society of Arts and Crafts on Newbury Street in Boston from November to January. She had another exhibit, "Autumn Art Exhibition," at Newton Cultural Center in October. All three are exhibitions of sculptural ceramic forms.

****Had work in a group show, "The intimate object," at the Clay Studio in Fort Wayne, IN, in December and January.

**** Received a jurors' award for her ceramic pieces in the international juried exhibition "craft forms 2006" at the Wayne Art Center in Philadelphia, PA, in December and January. Her work was reviewed in the *Philadelphia Inquirer*.

****Was part of an international juried exhibition entitled "By The Ounce" in Louisville, KY. This exhibition was part of the NCECA Conference (National Council for the Education of Ceramic Art Conference), which took place in March. She also had an opening at the Lexington Arts and Crafts Society for a national juried exhibition, entitled "The State of Clay," in April.

Dr. Lisa Burke went on a July fieldtrip to the Republic of Kiribati, Micronesia, to continue research on cultural change as manifested in local music and dance traditions.

****Gave a presentation in November on "Local values meet contemporary identity: a new urban performance style in Kiribati" as part of the panel "A Sea of Islands: Encounters with Time" at the annual general meeting of the Society for Ethnomusicology (SEM) in Honolulu, HI.

****Gave a presentation in November, "Shifting Sands: The Dynamics of Performance Competition in Tarawa, Kiribati," at the meeting of the International Council for Traditional Music Oceania Study Group at the East-West Center, HI.

****Gave a multimedia lecture in March, "The Pacific Islands: An Ocean of Musical Traditions," at the New School of Music in Cambridge, MA.

****Co-organized the annual meeting of the Northeast Chapter of the Society for Ethnomusicology (SEM) and continued to serve as secretary of SEM Northeast chapter at Tufts University, Medford, MA, in April.

Biology Department

Dr. Paul Cotter, Professor Emeritus, had his paper, “Avian immunoglobulin A: glycoform differences and nutritional influence,” originally presented in April 2006 at Alltech’s 22nd International Feed Industry Symposium, in Lexington, KY, published in *Nutritional Biotechnology in the Feed and Food Industries, Proceedings of Alltech’s 22nd Annual Symposium*, pp. 213-220.

Dr. Brandi Van Roo gave an invited presentation on her research at the Eastern Bird Banders Association Conference in Brewster, MA.

Chemistry and Food Science Department

Dr. Guy Crosby gave a lecture on “Resistant Starch: Nature’s Paradox” at the Department of Nutrition of the Harvard School of Public Health in March.

**** Organized the Food Sciences segment of the annual Massachusetts Science Olympiad held at Framingham State College in March.

**** Recorded five short food science videos in May for “America’s Test Kitchen.” The videos will be shown during various segments of “America’s Test Kitchen” series on the National PBS television network starting in January 2008. Crosby is a consulting editor for *Cook’s Illustrated* magazine, which produces the “America’s Test Kitchen” series.

Dr. Carol Russell, Chair, was one of the coordinators of the State Science Olympiad for high school students from around the state, held on the Framingham State College campus in March. Students from 31 high schools across Massachusetts participated. The Science Olympiad was created in 1983, with the goal of improving the quality of science education. It has members in all 50 states. This was the eleventh successive year that the State Olympiad was held at the College.

Communication Arts Department

Professor Robert Alter had an exhibition of photographs, “Paris Gris: Paris from the Outside Looking In,” on view at the French Library and Cultural Center/Alliance Francaise of Boston and Cambridge in September.

Professor Jennifer Dowling served as a reviewer in a juried art show for the International Conference and Exhibition on Computer Graphics and Interactive Techniques conference (SIGGRAPH) held in Boston, MA, in August. She was interviewed for an on-line podcast on her response to the Electronic Theater presentation at the conference.

****Served as a judge for the RTA Branding Contest hosted by the MetroWest Transit Authority. The best entries for the logo and slogan were voted on in April.

**** Had an exhibition of her work in the foyer of the Wayland Library during the month of June. The exhibit explored concepts of pregnancy, miscarriage, birth, and motherhood

and the powerful emotions evoked by these experiences. A larger exhibit showcasing a greater range of her work will be in the library's Raytheon Room in November.

Professor Robert Johnson, Jr., was elected to the Board of Directors of the University Film and Video Association (UFVA) at the 58th conference held at Chapman University in August. He was also re-elected trustee of the University Film and Video Foundation where he serves as the VP for faculty development. The UFVA is a member organization of over 600 academic institutions and more than 1,500 film and television educators, and is the U.S. representative to the International Association of Film and Television Schools (CILECT).

****Exhibited his photography alongside the works of other artists of the Boston Open Studios Coalition, on display throughout Boston City Hall from October through January.

****Gave an on-camera interview for Philadelphia's ABC news and public affairs program, "Prime Time Weekend," in February. The show focused on his documentary, "No Short Climb: 'Race Workers' and America's Defense Technology," and the working relationship he established with the Information Age Science Center in Wall, NJ, the state's first military history and technology museum.

****Gave a lecture and screened clips from his documentary, "No Short Climb: 'Race Workers' & America's Defense Technology," for the Beta Beta Boule chapter of Sigma Pi Phi fraternity at the Faculty Club of Harvard University. Sigma Pi Phi is the oldest African-American Greek-letter fraternity, including among its members some leading businessmen, scientists, and social activists.

****Served for the seventh year as jury chair for the UFVA's 2007 Carole Fielding Student Grants Competition in April. The Carole Fielding Student Grants are awarded each year to students enrolled in film and television programs worldwide for production proposals in the narrative, documentary, experimental, animation or new media categories.

****Served as jury chair for the March 2007 Council on International Non-theatrical Events (CINE) Stage One jury, held at the Communication Arts Television Studios. Jurors included Jason Portanova, '96, of Portanova Productions; Paul Bouley, '05, Associate Producer at Box 21, Natick; and Brandon Kalp of SeaChange International, Acton. The jury reviewed six feature-length documentary titles and forwarded its recommendations to the Washington, DC, headquarters.

Professor Leslie Starobin attended the annual regional conference of the Society for Photographic Education held at Boston University in December.

****Had a one-person "New England Currents" exhibit of her work at the Danforth Museum, Framingham, from December through February. The communication arts department sponsored the opening. She gave gallery talks in January.

****Was appointed a research associate at the Hadassah Brandeis Institute at Brandeis University beginning in May for one year.

****Gave a lecture entitled "Threads of the Diaspora - An Artist's Slide Lecture" at the Boston Center for Jewish Heritage in Boston, MA, in June.

****Won first place at the Beacon Hill Art Walk in June.

Dr. Derrick Te Paske attended and exhibited work at the 2006 Totally Turning Symposium in Albany, NY, in October.

****Contributed a wood-turned vessel to the annual auction of the Belmont High School's art department in December. The auction, to benefit AP art students' spring trip to Paris, raised \$15,000.

****Had several pieces included in the School of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts (MFA)'s annual holiday art sale on December, one of which was sold to Malcolm Rogers, director of the MFA. The sale, to benefit the scholarship fund of the school, set a record of \$1.4M in retail sales during its week-long run. Te Paske is an artist member of the school's Medici Society.

****Had his photographic portrait of the artist featured in the limited edition book, *New Milford Portfolio: Woldemar Neufeld's Paintings and Blockprints of New Milford, Connecticut*. 2006.

Computer Science Department

Dr. Suban Krishnamoorthy presented a paper entitled “An Experience Designing And Teaching Hands-On Project Based Networking Technologies Course For Is And It,” at the ISECON 2006 conference held in Dallas, TX, in November.

****Participated in the seminar “Adapting New Information Technology in the Workplace: Pitfalls and Solutions” by Alan Pelz-Sharpe, Wipro Technologies, organized by the Society on Social Implications of Technology and Entrepreneurs’ chapter of the Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) professional organization in April.

****Participated in the seminar “Reinventing the Internet: Is it time?” by David Clark, MIT Senior Research Scientist and Principal Designer of TCP/IP, organized by the Computer, Communication and the GBC/ACM in April.

****Participated in the Consortium for Computing Sciences in Colleges (CCSC) conference and chaired a session on “Core and upper-level courses,” held at the College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, in April.

Consumer Sciences Department

Dr. Judy Zaccagnini Flynn attended the International Textile and Apparel Association Annual Conference in San Antonio, TX, in November. She participated in a special workshop on qualitative research and worked on training future authors of submissions to *Clothing & Textiles Research Journal*. Sessions included “Research Reporting,” in which speakers from Target and JC Penney reflected on the changing retail landscape.

****Attended and participated in the training session, “Protecting Your Intellectual Property in China & the Global Marketplace,” presented by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Speakers and/or topics were USPTO, IP Enforcement in China, Protecting your Brand in Cyberspace, IP Enforcement, US Customs & Border Protection, and Technology to Combat Counterfeiting.

Dr. Irene Foster represented Framingham State College at the Human Resource Council of the American Apparel and Footwear Association in Atlanta, GA, in October.

**** Attended the 13th Annual International Networking Evening and Business Forum, Global Economic Challenges: Preparing Your Business for Opportunity in a Changing World Environment, sponsored by the Greater China Business Council of New England.

The keynote speaker was economist Dr. David Young, former assistant for national security and managing director and founder of Oxford Analytica.

**** Had a case study, "Improving Performance in Children's Accessories," published in the 4th edition of *Merchandising Mathematics for Retailing* by Easterling, Jernigan and Flottman, Pearson-Prentice Hall Publishing. The case study analyzed open-to-buy and sales planning spreadsheet problems and analyzed ways to increase profitability.

****Presented "Fashion Careers for the 21st Century: Designer to Consumer" and led a breakout session, "Framingham State College: Consumer Science Programs," at the annual meeting of the New Hampshire Association of Family and Consumer Sciences in May.

****Was an invited guest at the Gala Opening of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts "Fashion Show 2006."

****Was an investigator for Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval Consumer & Reader Services, Good Housekeeping in New York, NY, in March. She conducted interviews and investigations of consumer complaints, photographed items, and wrote conclusions of research.

Professor Arlene Handschuch represented Framingham State College at the International Textile and Apparel Association Annual Conference in San Antonio, TX, in November. Keynote speakers from industry and with university faculty from all over the world.

Dr. Suzanne Neubauer and the consumer sciences department hosted a meeting for members of the Massachusetts Dietetic Association in March.

****Participated in the panel presentation on "Celebration of Teaching: Sharing of Best Practices," at the Dietetic Educators of Practitioners meeting in April in Albany, NY.

The John C. Stalker Institute of Food and Nutrition

Professor Janet Schwartz gave a workshop on "Healthy Bones" at Massachusetts Senator Karen Spilka's Health Fair for senior citizens in her district at Keefe Technical School in Framingham in November. Over 300 seniors attended.

Economics and Business Administration

Professor Si Horvitz attended the annual conference of the North Atlantic Regional Business Law Association in March at Salem State College. The Association's purpose is to bring undergraduate law professors together to present papers and hold academic sessions in order to enhance professional development relative to law courses taught on the undergraduate level, such as the legal environment of business.

Dr. Abdul Momen presented a seminar on "Global Terrorism" at a conference organized by the National Advisory Council of South Asian Affairs in Washington, DC in August. He also gave a presentation at the U.S. State Department on South Asia in Washington, DC.

****Was a guest speaker at the International Conference on "Terrorism, Democracy and Economic Growth" sponsored by CFI and the BAAT at the Millennium UN Plaza Hotel, New York City, NY, in September.

****Had an op-ed article entitled "Growth of Terrorism" published in the *MetroWest Daily News* in September.

****Presented a seminar at the Toronto Civic Centre on Human Rights, Democracy and Development in December. It was sponsored by the Ontario Canadian Human Rights and Development Committee, Toronto, Canada.

****Presented a paper entitled “Global Terrorism, South Asia and Bangladesh: A Comparative Analysis” at the 59th Annual Conference of the Association of Asian Studies (AAS), at the Boston Marriot Copley Plaza in March.

****Presented a paper entitled “Economic and Social Growth and Type of Government: A Comparative Analysis” at the Bangladesh Conference in NY in March.

****Was an invited speaker at an “Interfaith Dialogue” arranged by the Cambridgeport Baptist Church, Cambridge, in April.

Professor Fahline Sjuib attended the Eastern Economics Association meeting in New York City, NY, in February.

Education Department

Dr. Charles Beck wrote a set of DVD reviews of famous operas (*Faust*, *Rigoletto*) and ballets (*Coppelia*, *The Stone Flower*) in response to an invitation from the Review Board at Amazon.com. The reviews provide an opportunity to correspond with knowledgeable reviewers on several continents.

Dr. William Buckreis was a speaker at the March 2007 National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Annual Meeting and Exposition in Atlanta, GA. His presentation was entitled “Fraction Pieces: Developing Understanding and Effective Assessment.”

Dr. Kelly Kolodny served as the program chair of the New England Philosophy of Education Society (NEPES) annual meeting, held at Framingham State College in October. Over twenty papers were presented from faculty and graduate students from New England and East Coast universities and colleges.

****Attended the Kappa Delta Pi counselor academy at Fitchburg State College in December.

****Published a review of the book *Learning to Forget: Schooling and Family Life in New Haven's Working Class 1870-1940* in *History of Education Quarterly* 46 (4), 636–639.

****Published “The Complexities Found, as Well as Insights Gained, From the Identification of a Birthplace of Free Public Education: The Case of Rehoboth, MA” in *Historical Journal of Massachusetts*, Volume XXXV, Number 2.

****Published a review of the book *The History and Philosophy of Education: Voices of Educational Pioneers* in *Educational Studies* 41 (2), 165-169.

****Published a review of *Leave No Child Behind: Preparing Today's Youth for Tomorrow's World* in *Educational Studies* 41 (3), 19-22.

****Presented a paper, “Mary Swift Lamson: Member of the First Class of the First State Normal School,” at the International Society for Educational Biography (ISEB) in San Antonio, TX, in May.

Dr. Diane Lowe attended the MA Department of Education Reading First workshop for Title I school administrators and literacy coaches in August and June.

The goal of Reading First is to ensure that every child can read at or above grade level by the end of third grade by providing high-quality, scientifically based reading instruction. The program is part of the No Child Left Behind Act.

****Received two grants from Inspiration, Inc., to provide both Inspiration and Kidspiration software for education department faculty and student computers. Kidspiration is designed for K to 5 students, Inspiration 8 for K to 12 students. Both programs are considered the “essential tool to visualize, think, organize and learn.”

****Received a grant from FableVision’s Connecting Theory2Practice program for higher education. FableVision, located at Children’s Wharf/Boston Children’s Museum in Boston, will provide instructional software for use by education department faculty and students.

****Continued to serve on the Massachusetts Association of College and University Reading Educators (MACURE) executive board and attended (MACURE) conferences in October and January.

****Served as liaison between the Massachusetts Reading Association (MRA) and Framingham State College, hosting the monthly meetings of the MRA executive board at FSC, attended by literacy leaders from across the commonwealth.

****Reviewed the third edition of *Sound it out!* by John Savage for McGraw-Hill publishers, and also reviewed the first and second editions in April.

Dr. Katherine Hibbard was awarded a continuation grant for the third and final year from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. The grant, “Building Careers in Early Childhood to Support Inclusive Programs and Curriculum,” provides financial support for child care providers who want to pursue a bachelor’s degree.

****Served on the Prudence Island, R.I., School Working Committee. The committee, authorized by the Portsmouth School Department, is charged with developing a long range plan for keeping Rhode Island’s only one-room public school open and in operation. She testified at a Rhode Island’s Department of Education hearing regarding the status of Prudence Island School and efforts to keep it open.

****Provided an in-service workshop to preschool teacher assistants/paraprofessionals in the Framingham Public Schools’ BLOCKS program in September.

****Attended a two-day conference, entitled “Education Challenge: ADHD and Asperger’s Syndrome,” at Gordon College in Wenham, MA, in June.

English Department

Dr. Richard Cunningham, English and education departments, presented a three-hour workshop entitled “Teaching for Understanding” to the English, special education, and ESL Departments at Waltham High School in November.

****Taught a twelve-week professional development course in the fall entitled “Enhancing Teaching Skills” for the Waltham Public Schools.

Dr. Lisa Eck had her essay, “The Individual as Cheshire Cat in *Reading Lolita in Tehran*,” accepted in September for a new collection entitled *Individualism: the Cultural Logic of Modernity*, edited by Zubin Meer, forthcoming in fall 2007 from Rowman and Littlefield.

****Presented “Cosmopolitanism in the Classroom: Orientalism’s Other Ism,” at a conference held at FL State University on the theme of Cosmopolitanism: Thinking Beyond the Nation, in February.

****Had her essay “Love’s Eyes and Dead as a Doornail: Metaphor’s Power to Kill and Create,” which she co-wrote with poet Ken Rumble, published in March by Hampton Press in a new collection entitled *Collaborating, Literature, and Composition: An Anthology for Teachers and Writers of English*, edited by Frank Gaughan and Peter Khost, in the section “On Playing with Voice.”

Dr. Julie Eckerle participated in the “Attending to Early Modern Women and Men” conference at the University of Maryland, College Park, in November. She co-organized and co-led a workshop at the conference entitled “Life Writing in the Classroom: Dealing with the Biographical Reading.”

****Presented a paper for the Women & Culture in the Early Modern World series at the Harvard Humanities Center in February. The paper was entitled "Making the Case for the Female Storyteller in Early Modern Romance."

****Was a member of the steering committee for the Central Massachusetts Undergraduate Shakespeare Conference in April at Nichols College. She chaired a session at the conference.

Dr. Lorretta Holloway and Professor Susan Burgess attended the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators (SCBWI) conference in New York City, NY. The two days featured genre workshops led by editors, a panel of book buyers examining the marketplace, keynote addresses by distinguished writers for children, and awards for original children's book art.

Dr. Bernard Horn gave a lecture, “Jerusalem in A. B. Yehoshua’s Novels,” at the Hebrew and Arabic Languages Program at Brandeis University in November.

****Presided over the session “Hebrew Literature and Jewish Identity in the American Classroom” in December, at the Modern Language Association (MLA) Convention in Philadelphia. He also presented a paper, entitled “Ethnicity, Nation, Religion: Teaching A. B. Yehoshua on Identity,” at the session and was elected to serve a second year as chair of the MLA Hebrew Literature Discussion Group.

Professor Halcyon Mancuso attended the March 2007 annual convention of the Conference on College Composition and Communication (CCCC) in New York City, NY. The annual theme was “Representing Identities,” with conference sessions focused on how and why students construct identities through reading, writing, and speaking.

Professor Catherine McLaughlin won third place in the Tom Howard/New Millennium Poetry competition for her poem “Blue Collars.” Her memoir, “Postcards from North Truro,” was published in fall 2006 in *Confrontation Literary Journal* of Long Island University.

Dr. Arthur Nolletti, Jr., introduced and led a discussion on Hitchcock's films, *Shadow of a Doubt* and *The Man Who Knew Too Much*, in October and November respectively at the Framingham Public Library series, "A Little Knowledge Can Be a Deadly Thing."

****Served on the selection committee for the 2007 Kovacs Essay Award of the Society for Cinema and Media Studies. This award, which honors an outstanding scholarly essay by a member of the society, was given to Jan-Christopher Horak for his examination of *The Fall of Jerusalem*, a film whose origins had long been unknown.

****Delivered a lecture on classical Japanese cinema and the work of director Goshō Heinosuke at Hampshire College, Amherst, MA, in March.

Dr. Lynn Parker presented a paper entitled "The Predatory Brother in *Phineas Finn* and *Can You Forgive Her?*" at the "Trollope and Gender" conference held at the University of Exeter, Exeter, UK, in July.

****Published an article, "The Dangerous Brother in Wilkie Collins's *The Haunted Hotel*" in *Wilkie Collins: Interdisciplinary Essays*, edited by Andrew Mangham, Cambridge Scholars Press, 2007.

Dr. Evelyn Perry continued work on her book-length study of the award-winning young-adult fantasy author Robin McKinley, contracted to Scarecrow Press for the Studies in Young Adult Literature Series.

****Served on the Holliston Arts Council and on the Religious Education Committee at Framingham Friends Meeting.

Geography Department

Dr. Robert Donnell attended a working-session conference entitled "Metro-Future: Planning for the Greater Boston Region" sponsored by the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) and held at the Sheraton Hotel in Framingham in June.

Dr. Carl Hakansson gave a talk entitled "Indian Tribal Sovereignty and Land Fractionation" at Clark University in Worcester, MA, in November.

****Conducted several discussions and workshops regarding global warming and *An Inconvenient Truth* at Randolph Middle School in December.

****Led eight FSC students on a week-long tour of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota in June.

Drs. Yaser Najjar and Robert Donnell attended a conference entitled "Brownfields 2006: A Revolution in Redevelopment and Revitalization" at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center in November. This is the largest annual conference focused on cleaning up and redeveloping abandoned, underutilized, and contaminated properties.

Drs. Yaser Najjar, Osama Abdelgadier, Elaine Hartwick, and David Merwin attended and presented research papers at the Association of American Geographers (AAG) conference, attended by over 6,600 geographers, in San Francisco in April. They gave the following presentations: Dr Najjar, "Traffic Impact Analysis of Selected Roundabouts in Bahrain"; Dr Abdelgadier, "Sudan: A Pariah State? The Challenges of Peace and National Unity"; Dr Hartwick, "Eco-Cosmetics: Deconstructing the "Eco" In

Eco-Cosmetics: Case Study of Aveda in Brazil”; and Dr Merwin, "Neural Network-derived Dasymetric Maps for Nested Hierarchy Areal Interpolation Scenarios.” The next AAG meeting will be held in Boston in 2008.

Government Department

Dr. Elaine Storella participated by invitation in a week-long “Round Table” discussion at Oxford University, England, in March on the theme of the common ground between science and religion. Her presentation was entitled "From Bacon to [Vannevar] Bush: Common Ground between Useful Knowledge and Red Brick Institutions."

****Her paper by the same title was published in the journal, *Forum on Public Policy*, available online at <http://www.forumonpublicpolicy.com/papersspr07.html#edufut>.

Dr. Douglas Telling has two articles forthcoming: “The Right to Die” in the *Encyclopedia of the United States Constitution* and “Skinner v. Oklahoma” in the *Encyclopedia of the Civil Liberties of the United States*.

****is a member of the Board of Health in Charlemont, MA.

History Department

Dr. Bradley Nutting had an article, “The Unripe Boroughs of Massachusetts and the Origins of Legislator Residency,” accepted for publication by *The Journal of New England History* for its spring 2008 issue.

Dr. Nicholas Racheotes participated in the international conference, “The Soviet GULAG: Its History and Its Legacy,” at the Davis Center for Eurasian Studies, Harvard University, in November.

Dr. Thomas Koshy had an article entitled “Lattice Points in a Family of Hyperbolas” published in *The Mathematical Gazette*, Vol. 90, (July, 2006), pp. 314-316.

****Had two articles published in *The Metrowest Daily News*, July 2, “Math, New Math, and Now Fuzzy Math”, and July 23, “Lure Talented Students to Math and Science.” The latter was reprinted in the *Worcester Business Journal* in September under the title “In Search of Tomorrow’s Math Teachers.”

****Presented a paper on “Check Digit Schemes and Dihedral Groups” at Mathfest, held in Knoxville, TN, in August.

****Had an article, “The Ubiquitous Catalan Numbers,” published in *Mathematics Teacher*, Vol. 100 (October 2006), pp. 184-188.

**** Had his article, “Recursive Solutions of Pell’s Equation,” published in *The Pi Mu Epsilon Journal*, Vol. 12 (Fall 2006), pp. 279-280.

****Organized a contributed paper session on “Applications of Discrete Mathematics” at the annual joint meeting of the American Mathematical Society (AMS) and the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) in New Orleans, LA, in January. The session featured a total of 21 speakers. At the session, Dr. Koshy presented a paper on “Derangements: A Confluence of Combinatorics, Calculus, and Probability.”

****Had an article entitled “The Central Elements in Josef’s Triangle” published in *The Mathematical Gazette*, Vol. 91 (March 2007), pp. 63-68.

****Had the second edition of his book *Elementary Number Theory with Applications* published in May by Academic Press/Elsevier.

****Was selected for inclusion with a brief biography in the 2007 edition of the *Great Minds of the 21st Century*, published by the American Biographical Institute, Inc. It features a brief biography of Dr. Koshy. He will also have a brief biography included in the 2008 edition of *2000 Outstanding Intellectuals of the 21st Century*, published by the International Biographical Centre, Cambridge, England.

Dr. Sarah L. Mabrouk was reappointed chair of the Committee on Sessions of Contributed Papers for the MAA for an additional two-year term, 2007 through 2009.

**** Gave the presentation “Viagra, the Pill, and the Patch, Oh My!” at the MAA Mathfest 2006, in Knoxville, TN, in August. Contributed paper session and “Discussing Statistics Online” during the general contributed paper session of “Mathematics and Popular Culture.”

****Organized and moderated the graduate student paper session during the Northeastern Section of the Mathematical Association of America (NES/MAA) fall 2006 meeting held at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, CT, in November.

****Gave the presentation “On the Evening News” during the “Getting Students to Discuss and to Write about Mathematics” contributed paper session, the presentation “Interactive Workbooks for Classifying Distributions and Balancing Chemical Equations” during the “Mathlets for Teaching and Learning Mathematics” contributed paper session, and served as co-moderator for the “Applications in Discrete Mathematics” contributed paper session organized by Thomas Koshy during the joint mathematics meetings of the AMS and the MAA in January in New Orleans, LA.

****Had her paper, “Electronic Document Considerations,” published in the *Proceedings of the Eighteenth International Conference on Technology in Collegiate Mathematics*, Pearson Education, Inc., 2007.

****Participated in the day-long pre-session, “Using GPS, Google Earth, Digital Photographs and Movies in Math Courses,” organized by Keith Erickson, United States Military Academy, and Bob Palais, University of Utah, in February as part of the 19th International Conference on Technology in Collegiate Mathematics, Boston, MA. She also conducted a three-hour invited computer minicourse, “Creating ExcelLENT Tools”, and conducted a two-hour invited calculator workshop, “TI-Connect.”

****Organized the Fifth Annual NSMAA dinner meeting in Memory of Kenneth J. Preskenis held at FSC in May.

****Served as a judge for the 2007 MA State Science Fair held in May at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, MA.

Drs. Mohammad Salmassi and Thomas Koshy had their article, “An Intriguing Relationship Between Fibonacci and Jacobsthal Polynomials,” published in *The Mathematical Gazette*, Vol. 90 (November 2006), pp. 443-445.

Dr. Victoria Sapko gave a presentation at MIT in November on “The Old New Math: Fibonacci’s Liber Abaci” at East Kingdom University, an event sponsored by the Society for Creative Anachronism, a historical recreation organization.

Modern Languages Department

Dr. Emilce A. Cordeiro hosted a weekly Latin American book and film discussion series at the Westborough Public Library throughout the fall. Works discussed included *Of Love and Shadows*, by Isabel Allende, *In the Time of the Butterflies*, by Julia Alvarez, *Dying to Cross: the Worst Immigrant Tragedy in American History*, by Jorge Ramos, and the film *Spoils of Wars*.

****Presented a paper, "The Invaders: Fantasy, Politics and Television in Kamchatka" (Argentina, 2002), at the XXXII Annual Hispanic Literature Conference at Indiana University of Pennsylvania in October.

****Organized and attended the fall meeting of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP) Mass Bay Chapter in Waltham, MA, in October. The speakers were Lynn Ditchfield, American AATSP high school teacher of the year, and Evelina Guzaunskyte, travel fellowship awardee. The topic of the meeting was "Castas (Castes) en Latinoamérica y España."

****Attended and participated in a panel for the AATSP at the 40th Annual Conference of the Massachusetts Foreign Language Association in Sturbridge, MA, in October.

Dr. Michele Dávila Gonçalves presented a paper, "Lo que nos hace humanos: El pintor de batallas de Arturo Pérez-Reverte" (What Makes Us Human: El pintor de batallas by Arturo Pérez-Reverte), at the VI Congreso Internacional de Literatura Hispánica (VI International Congress of Hispanic Literature) at the Riviera Maya in Mexico in March.

****Published the article "Cada uno al ritmo de su propio tambor: la poesía negra de Jorge Artel y Luis Palés Matos," (Each One Beating Their Own Drum: The Black Poetry of Jorge Artel and Luis Palés Matos), in *Chambacú, la historia la escribes tú, Ensayos sobre cultura afrocolombiana* (*Who Writes the Story is You: Essays on Afrocolombian Cultura*), Ed. Lucía Ortiz. Madrid: Vervuert/Iberoamericana, 2006.

Drs. Emilce A. Cordeiro and Michelle Dávila organized the spring meeting of the Mass Bay AATSP at Framingham State College in March. They presented and discussed two Latin American films, *Machuca* (Chile, 2004) directed by Andres Wood, and *Abril Despedaçado* (Brazil, 2002) directed by Walter Salles. Numerous high school teachers and professors from the Boston area attended the event.

Dr. Marguerite Mahler had her review of H. Bat-Zeev Shyldkrot and N. Le Querler's *Les Péripnases verbales*, Amsterdam: Benjamins, 2005, published in the Linguistics Section of the *French Review*, Volume 80, number 4, March 2007.

****Presented a paper entitled "Web-Assisted French Phonetic Course" in April at the 60th Annual Kentucky Foreign Language Conference. She presented in the section "Language Technology: Speaking and Listening Online (Podcasting and beyond)."

Nursing Department

Dr. Sandra I. Austin, faculty counselor, newsletter editor, and publicity chair for the Framingham State College Rho Phi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, International Honor Society in Nursing, was named to serve as one of two delegates from the chapter to the 2007 Sigma Theta Tau International Biennial Convention held in Baltimore, MD, in November 2008.

Dr. Susan L. Conrad obtained a grant for the National Student Nurses Association, Johnson and Johnson Promise of Tomorrow (14K), to increase enrollment and retention in the graduate certificate program in nursing education by converting one of the courses to an online format and providing extensive technical support and academic advising for online students, together with more online information about opportunities for graduate study.

****Continues to represent the Massachusetts Association of Colleges of Nursing on the statewide Nurse of the Future committee to establish entry-level nursing competencies.

****Serves on the Associate Nursing /Baccalaureate Nursing sub-committee to investigate why nurses choose and do not choose to pursue advanced degrees.

Psychology and Philosophy Department

Dr. Anna Flanagan, chair, presented her paper entitled “The Effects of Type of Instructor Extraversion and Biological Sex on Students’ Perceptions of Effective Teaching” at the annual meeting of the Northeast Conference for Teachers of Psychology in Manchester, NH, in October.

Drs. Robert L. Donohue, Anna S. Flanagan, Pamela M. Ludemann, and Cynthia A. Prehar gave a joint presentation, “Psychology Majors Attending a Small State College: Understanding Their Backgrounds and College Adjustment,” at the 14th annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Sciences and STP Teaching Institute, Washington, DC, in May.

Professor Deborah McMakin co-presented a research paper entitled "Teaching Across Difference: Perspectives of 20 Middle School Teachers in Five Urban Schools" at the New England Educational Research conference held in Portsmouth, NH, in April.

****Co-presented "Professional Development for Mainstream Teachers who Work with Culturally, Linguistically, and Economically Diverse Learners" for educators at the Closing the Achievement Gap Conference held in May at the University of Connecticut, Storrs.

****Co-presented a poster presentation with Dr. Bridgett Perry-Galvin entitled "Assessing College Students’ Beliefs About Development, Medication and Childhood Problems" at the Association for Psychological Science Conference held in May in Washington, DC.

****Served as a proposal reviewer for the National Association for Multicultural Education conference entitled “Charting the course to Academic Excellence and Equity through Multicultural Education” to be held October and November in Baltimore, MD.

Dr. Cynthia Prehar presented her paper entitled “Furthering our Understanding of the Face-ism Effect: An Archival Study of Male-Female Dyads and Target Audiences” at the annual meeting of the New England Psychological Association in Manchester, NH, in October.

****Presented a paper entitled “A Job Analysis Project Revisited to Incorporate Service Learning and Community Building” at the 22nd Annual Conference of the Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology in New York City, NY, in April.

Dr. Chitra Ranganathan gave a poster presentation, “Predicting Parent Knowledge from the Sources of Parent Monitoring Among Asian Indian Parents of Adolescents,” at the Society for Research in Child Development held at the Boston Sheraton in March.

****Reviewed a manuscript on emerging adulthood and parenting styles for the *Journal of Research on Adolescence* in May.

Sociology Department

Dr. Benjamin Alberti co-edited a book with V. Williams and wrote a chapter for *Género y Etnicidad en la Arqueología Suramericana: Actas de la Segunda Reunión Internacional de Teoría Arqueológica en América del Sur*, Tandil, Argentina: Serie Teórica No.4, Ediciones INCUAP in 2006.

****Wrote a chapter, “Archaeology and Masculinities”, published in S.M. Nelson, ed., *Handbook of Gender Archaeology*, Walnut Creek, CA: Altamira Press, 2006.

****Contributed a chapter to the book, *La Diferencia Sexual y Objetos Activos: Cuerpos, Sexo/Género y Cultura Material*, V. Williams and B. Alberti, eds., *Género y Etnicidad en la Arqueología Suramericana: Actas de la Segunda Reunión Internacional de Teoría Arqueológica en América del Sur*. Tandil, Argentina: Serie Teórica No.4, Ediciones INCUAPA, 2006.

****Wrote a chapter, “Faience Goddesses and Ivory Bull-Leapers: The Aesthetics of Sexual Difference at Late Bronze Age Knossos,” published in T. Insoll, ed., *Reader in the Archaeology of Identity*. London: Routledge [reprint], 2006.

****Translated a book, G. Politis, *The Nukak: An Ethnoarchaeological Study*, published by the West Coast Press in 2007.

****Presented a paper, “Destabilizing Meaning In Anthropomorphic Forms From Northwest Argentina.” Paper presented at the Theoretical Archaeology Group conference in December in Exeter, UK. The paper was published in *Overcoming The Modern Invention of Material Culture (Journal of Iberian Archaeology, Special Volume 9/10)* in 2007.

Professor Lucille Lawless attended seminars on the “Family Paradigm and Economic Values,” given by author Holly Ferguson, and “A Forum on the Global Economy,” given by Professor Alan Hoffman of Bentley College, at Bentley College in October.

****Is the senior research consultant for the Center for the Study of Religious Issues (CSRI), which published *The Bingo Report*, dealing with the priest abuse scandal in the Catholic Church, in 2006. *The Bingo Report* has been nominated for the Distinguished Book of the Year by the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion.

Dr. Virginia Rutter presented two research papers at the Population Association of America Annual Conference in New York, in March. The papers were titled, "Who is the Decider? How different dimensions of power are related to partner belief about control over the couple's contraceptive method choice," and "What Kinds of Power Predict

Couples' Concordance and Perceptions of Concordance on Birth Desires and Method Preferences?"

Dr. Ellen Zimmerman participated in the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association in San Jose, CA, in November.

Administrative Offices

Center for Academic Support and Advising

LaDonna Bridges, Director of Academic Support, and Dr. Christopher Gregory, Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs, participated in a panel discussion on "Effective Intrusive Advising Programs" at the national meeting of the National Academic Advising Association in Indianapolis, Indiana. Framingham State College's academic success mentor program teams first-semester freshmen on probation with academic and student affairs staff members. This individualized program promotes student success and retention.

Academic Technology and Distance Education

Teresa Pagliuca, Multimedia Coordinator, completed the Dreamweaver course at Mass Bay Community College in September and October.

**** Assumed the Webmaster responsibilities in addition to her communications director duties for the Natick Cultural Council in January.

**** Received an honorable mention for one of two prints accepted in a juried photography exhibit sponsored by the Friends of the Marlborough Public Library and Assabet Valley Camera Club in February.

**** Had one photograph selected in a juried photographic exhibit at the Center for the Arts in Natick in May and June.

**** Had three photographs selected in a juried photographic exhibit at the Amazing Arts Center in Framingham in June.

Office of Administration and Finance

Dr. Dale Hamel, Vice President, served as a member of Massachusetts Board of Higher Education Performance Measurement Task Force.

**** Served on the board of Commonwealth Information Technology Initiative (CITI).

**** Served on a New England Association of Schools and Colleges accreditation visiting team.

**** Served on the advisory board of the MetroWest Transportation Management Association.

Office of Admissions and Enrollment Services

Shayna M. Bailey was a member of the New England Association for College Admission Counseling (NEACAC) 2007 annual meeting planning committee

****Attended the NEACAC 2007 Annual Meeting at Endicott College, MA, in the spring.

Dr. Phillip M. Doohar, Vice President of Enrollment Management, served on the Board of Higher Education's Admissions Advisory Committee.

****Serves on the College Board's New SAT Advisory Board.

Linda Kuniholm hosted the MetroWest YMCA's Jump Start to College program, an early college awareness program for middle school students, on campus in mid July.

Aimee Wagner attended the 2006 NEACAC Summer Institute at Bryant University, RI, in July and August.

****Attended the 2007 Annual NEACAC Conference at Endicott College, Beverly, MA, in June.

****Attended the MEFA Financial Aid workshop at the College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, in September.

****Published an article entitled "Anorexia Nervosa as a Rebellion Against and Adherence to Victorian Ideals Surrounding Women in Charlotte Bronte's *Shirley* and *Villette*" in Framingham State College's *Journal of Critical Thinking*.

College Advancement

Mary K. Casey, assistant director, attended a Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) conference, "The Meeting of the Minds," in New York City, NY, in February.

Department of Athletics

Carey Williams Eggen, Associate Director of Athletics, served on the New England Football Conference (NEFC) Championship and Scheduling Committees and as NEFC secretary and treasurer.

****Served on the Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference (MASCAC) Championship and Scheduling Committees.

****Served on the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III Regional Softball Committee.

Thomas M. Kelley, Director of Athletics, served on the NEFC Eligibility and Championship Committees.

****Served on the MASCAC Eligibility Committee as an Executive Board member and secretary.

****Was chair of the Eastern Colleges Athletic Conference (ECAC) Membership Committee and Northeast Hockey League.

Kathy Lynch, Sports Information Director, served on the ECAC Division III New England Women's Basketball Committee.

Mike Sarno, Equipment Manager, Head Baseball Coach, served on the NCAA Division III Regional Baseball Committee.

Business Office

Brenda Bussey, Director of Purchasing, earned the MCPPO (MA Certified Public Purchasing Official) designation from the Office of the Inspector General in May.

****Earned an MBA with a concentration in Finance from Suffolk University in summer 2006.

Linda Nesta earned the MCPPO (MA Certified Public Purchasing Official) designation from the Office of the Inspector General in May.

Office of Career Services

Carol Spector, Director of Career Services and Employer Relations, was selected as representative for the MetroWest Chamber of Commerce's Class of 2007 Leadership Academy, a year-long program providing opportunities for networking and relationship building with other leaders in the MetroWest region in the areas of business, education, non-profit, and government.

Counseling Center

Melinda Stoops, Director, and Paul Welch attended QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) gatekeeper instructor training at the College of the Holy Cross in February. QPR is a program designed to train people who are not mental health providers in suicide prevention. As a result of this training, both Stoops and Welch became certified QPR instructors. They are available to provide QPR Training to members of the Framingham State College community.

Facilities

Maureen Bagge Fowler, Environmental Health and Safety Coordinator, achieved the official certification designation of Registered Environmental Manager (REM) conferred by the National Registry of Environmental Professionals (NREP). NREP is recognized by the US EPA, US Department of Defense, and many state agencies.

Office of Graduate and Continuing Education

Dr. Ronald E. Sundberg, Associate Dean of Continuing Education, served as chair-elect of the Association for Continuing Higher Education (ACHE) Region I, and as a member of the ACHE publications committee. He is a recipient of ACHE emeritus and meritorious service awards.

****Served as a member of the planning committee for the ACHE professional development day, "The Gathering Storm: Recruitment, Retention and Revenue in an Era of Competition," held at the University of Phoenix, Westborough, MA, in November.

****Was a member of the ACHE 2007 spring conference planning committee, "Going Global: A World of Possibilities," held in Mystic, CT, in April and was a moderator for the session on "A Coaching Model for Student Success in Higher Education."

****Attended the Massachusetts Online 4th Annual Conference on E-Learning at Middlesex Community College, Lowell, MA, in June.

Health & Wellness Center

Ilene Hofrenning serves on the Board of Directors of Programs for People, a Framingham agency that provides day treatment and a range of employment services for those with mental illness.

****Is a Framingham Town Meeting member, and vice chair of precinct 18.

Henry Whittemore Library

Shin Freedman, Head of the Acquisitions and Serials Departments, attended the World Library and Information Congress, the 72nd annual conference of the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) in August in Seoul, South Korea, where she gave a presentation on educating librarians for the 21st century.

Colleen Previte, Special Collections Librarian, attended a workshop on “Describing Archives: A Content Standard” at the University of New Hampshire in October. The workshop was offered through the Society of American Archivists.

****Is co-chair of the Minuteman Library Network’s Local History Round Table. The group organizes educational events and familiarizes the public with museum and library holdings.

Sandra Rothenberg, Reference/Instruction Librarian, continues to review art books monthly for *Library Journal*. Her reviews have included Boorsch, Suzanne and John Marciari. *Master Drawings from the Yale University Art Gallery*, Yale University Press, 2006, and Gilbert and George: *The Complete Pictures, 1971-2005*, 2 vols., Aperture, dist. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2007.

****Is member-at-large of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL), New England, and moderates the organization’s two listservs.

****Gave a talk entitled “Information Literacy Assessment with Art History Classes at Framingham State College” at the ACRL’s New England Library Instruction Group’s annual program in June.

Office of International and Study Abroad Programs

Martha Flinter, Director of International and Study Abroad Programs, gave a presentation on “Immigration Procedures for Canadian Students Participating in Exchange Programs in the United States” at a meeting at the University of Quebec at Montreal in March. She is chair of the New England delegation for exchange programs in an agreement between the New England Board of Higher Education (NEBHE) and the Conference of Rectors and Principals of Universities of Quebec (CREPUQ). There are 27 New England colleges and universities and 18 Quebec universities that participate in this exchange.

McAuliffe/Challenger Learning Center

Bruce Mattson, Science and Technology Specialist, attended the Space Exploration Educator Conference in Houston, TX, in February. The conference offered NASA seminars and facility tours. Mattson spoke with educator/astronaut Barbara Morgan, scheduled to fly in August on board the space shuttle Endeavour and discussed his hope that the McAuliffe Center will directly share in, and benefit from, her space flight experiences. His primary goal continues to be the integration of current NASA data into existing McAuliffe Center programs.

Nanci Goguen attended and presented at the Challenger Center for Space Science Education's National Conference in Houston, TX, in August.

****Was a member of a team of Challenger Centers professionals working to produce a scenario for Challenger Learning Centers, meeting in Houston, TX, in February and March.

Mary Liscombe, Associate Director and Professional Development Programs Coordinator, attended the Challenger Centers Annual Conference in Houston, TX, in August.

****Gave a seminar, "Engineering is Elementary," at the Boston Museum of Science in January.

****Attended the National Science Teachers Association National Conference in St. Louis, MO, in March.

****Completed facilitator training with the electronic Mentoring for Student Success program (eMSS) in May.

****Was appointed the professional development chair of the Massachusetts Association of Science Teachers in December.

****Conducted professional development in current science education trends for the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Science Teachers Association in January.

****Participated in curriculum development with the National Challenger Center and NASA in March.

****Provided professional development workshops for the Lynn Public Schools in October.

Campus Ministry

Valerie Bailey Fischer, Protestant Chaplain and Coordinator, Office of Campus Ministry, was ordained a deacon in the Episcopal Church in June. She is the assistant rector at the Church of the Holy Spirit, Wayland, MA.

Office of Publications

Dr. Margaret Storch, Director, attended the annual CASE Editors' Forum in Chicago in March.

****Was invited to participate in the 11th International D. H. Lawrence Conference, held at Nottingham University, England, in August. Her paper was entitled "Outsider or Cultural Chameleon: Lawrence's True Self." She also chaired a session on "Lawrence, Modernism and War."

Office of Residence Life

Glenn A. Cochran, Director, and Residence Directors Elizabeth M. Otto and Keith I. Kozak attended the Massachusetts College Personnel Association (MCPA) drive-in conference at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in February. The annual conference focused on “Collaborating on Student Learning: Reconsidering Student Affairs for the Present & Future.” Cochran presented a session entitled “Encouraging Student Autonomy in an Age of Declining Personal Responsibility.” Otto and Kozak were members of the conference committee planning team.

Glenn A. Cochran presented programs on “Life Skills: Successfully Navigating the Transition to College” to the Needham High School senior class in January.

Keith I. Kozak attended the All of the Above annual conference at Boston University in February. This conference brings together a consortium of 15 student affairs organizations in the New England area to help students prepare for a career in student affairs. Kozak presented a program session offering strategies and advice to new professionals to pave the way for their professional journey in student affairs called “Follow the Yellow Brick Road... to Success.”

Office of Student Involvement and Leadership Development

Rachel Lucking, Director, attended the National Association of Campus Activities regional conference in November. She serves on the regional leadership team as associate member relations coordinator.

Claire Simonetti, Assistant Director, completed her term on the Special Events committee for the National Association for Campus Activities regional conference. She coordinated the closing awards banquet in November.

FACULTY/STUDENT COLLABORATION

Art Department

Professor Marc Cote, was juried into the Boston Printmakers 2007 60th Anniversary North American Print Biennial at the 808 Gallery in Boston, MA, in February with **FSC Art Majors Blair Boudreau and Laura Taylor**. The juror, Judy Hecker, is the assistant curator of the department of prints and illustrated books at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. Hecker selected 180 prints from the approximately 2,000 submitted works.

Professor James Eng displayed the work of advanced art students from his "Special Topics in Studio Art: Mixed Media" class from the fall 2006 semester. The show, at the Amazing Things Art Center in Framingham, took place in February.

Consumer Sciences Department

Dr. Irene Foster, together with **sophomore Laura Kane, fashion design and retailing major**, participated in the Costume Society of America Region I Undergraduate Research

Forum at Lasell College in Newton, in February. Kane presented her research, “The Effect of Cosplay on Self-Esteem,” completed in the Psychological and Sociological Aspects of Clothing and Textiles course.

**** led a breakout session, "Framingham State College: Consumer Science Programs," at the annual meeting of the New Hampshire Association of Family and Consumer Sciences in May. Fashion Merchandising students **Megan Caron**, from Peterborough, NH, and **Rachael Kurban**, from Bristol, CT, were highlighted at the breakout session and spoke about their experiences at Framingham State College.

**** Took students to the TJX Co.’s open house in September together with **Dr. Matthew McGrath**. The students had informational interviews with human resource personnel. Dr. Foster also accepted TJX’s invitation to join 10 other university and college professors for the “Professors of Retailing Seminar” given by TJX in June. TJX has hired many alumni and interns from Framingham State College’s Fashion Design and Retailing program to work in their merchandising and product development departments.

Dr. Suzanne Neubauer and the Consumer Sciences Department hosted a meeting for members of the Massachusetts Dietetic Association in March. Students in the food and nutrition coordinated program in dietetics fall 2006 seminar in clinical nutrition gave presentations. The presenters included undergraduate students **Kathleen Johnson** (Carnitine Supplementation in Heart Disease) and **Laura Walsh** (Effect of Protein in patients with Parkinson’s Disease) and graduate students **Daniel Pievsky** (Prostate Cancer and Lycopene as a Treatment), **Kendra Whitney** (Vitamin E and Inflammatory Bowel Disease), and **Heather Tsatsarones** (Cancer Cachexia-Anorexia and Omega 3 Fatty Acids).

**** Presented posters with two students at the MA Dietetic Association’s 2007 Annual Nutrition Convention & Exposition in Marlborough, MA, in April. **Faith Shevlin** presented “Omega-3 Fatty Acids, EPA and DHA, and their Potential Role in the Treatment of Patients with Depression”; **Rachel Kaiserman** presented “Immune Enhancement Formulas in Critical Illness.” The posters were developed from topics originally presented in 34.488 Seminar in Clinical Nutrition, fall 2006.

Economics Department

MetroWest Economic Research Center (MERC)

MERC, a collaborative team of faculty members and student interns in the Department of Economics and Business Administration, collects and analyzes data related to economic conditions in the MetroWest and South Shore Cohesive Commercial Statistical Areas (CCSA), as well as the Greater Marlborough Region. The team provides data and analyzes on economic issues of vital interest to these regions. (Activities organized chronologically.)

MERC announced the publication of the “South Shore Cohesive Commercial Statistical Area™ Municipal Revenue Report 2006,” by **Professors Mary Phelan** and **Beverly Soriano**, assisted by **MERC research intern Charles Schumacher**, in September.

Professor Martha Meaney attended the 48th Annual Meeting of the National Association for Business Economics at the Boston Marriott Copley Place in September. **MERC intern II Matthew Buchanan** also attended. He was invited by Lynn Reaser,

chief economist at the Bank of America and member of the Board of Directors of NABE, to be a special student participant at the meeting along with other area college students.

MERC announce the publication of the “Greater Franklin Region Cohesive Commercial Statistical Area™ Municipal Revenue Report 2006,” by **Professors Mary Phelan and Beverly Soriano**, assisted by **MERC Research Intern Charles Schumacher**, in September.

MERC conducted its semiannual Cost of Living survey in October. Under the supervision of **Professors Donald MacRitchie and Fahline Sjuib of MERC and the department of economics and business administration**, **MERC interns Paul Augustine, Kaitlyn Brady, Matthew Buchanan, Nicole Hite, Nathan Jordan, Sarah Killeen, David Lewis, Lauri Polese, Jennifer Powell, Alexander Serbarinov, Charles Schumacher and Adam Watkins** priced a market basket of 59 items, specified by ACCRA as part of its nationwide survey, at 100 area businesses.

Professor Mary Phelan of MERC attended a briefing provided by the Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services’ Bureau of Municipal Finance Law entitled “What’s New in Municipal Law” in Randolph, MA, in October.

MERC intern II Matthew Buchanan attended Moody’s Economy.com executive briefing on the latest economic developments and their impact on the U.S. and Northeast economies in Boston in October. Buchanan was invited to the meeting by Mike McDermott, vice president, business development, Moody’s Economy.com. The briefing featured presentations by chief economist Mark Zandi and managing director Steve Cochrane.

Professor Martha Meaney represented **MERC** at a reception sponsored by the MetroWest Chamber of Commerce for Brigadier General R. Mark Brown, commander of the U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center, Natick, MA, at the Crowne Plaza in Natick in October.

MERC hosted its semiannual Advisory Board meeting in the FSC College Center in October. **President Flanagan** welcomed and addressed the board. He emphasized the value of **MERC’s** involvement of undergraduates in faculty research, and ties between the college and community. **MERC interns Matthew Buchanan, Jennifer Powell and Adam Watkins** presented reports on their work to the assembled business, governmental, and community leaders.

Professors Donald MacRitchie and Martha Meaney with MERC interns Charles Schumacher and Adam Watkins presented an overview of the MetroWest economy to the current class of the MetroWest Leadership Academy in Framingham in November.

Professors Maureen Dunne, Martha Meaney, Mary Phelan, and Dr. Fahline Sjuib and MERC interns Matthew Buchanan, Sarah Killeen, Charles Schumacher, Jennifer Powell, and Lauri Polese attended the Fall Economic Outlook Conference sponsored by the New England Economic Partnership (NEEP) in Westborough, MA, in November.

Professor Maureen Dunne and MERC intern Jennifer Powell attended the MetroWest Chamber annual dinner in Framingham, MA, in November.

Professor Maureen Dunne represented MERC at the Marlborough Regional Chamber distinguished speaker breakfast in Westborough, MA, in November.

Professors Mary Phelan and Beverly Soriano, assisted by MERC research interns **Jennifer Powell and Charles Schumacher**, published the “MetroWest Cohesive Commercial Statistical Area™ Municipal Revenue Report 2006” in December.

Three MERC interns, working under faculty supervision, had articles published: **Paul Augustine** wrote “Unemployment is Stable in the 495/MetroWest Region” for the January/February 2007 *Arc Update*, published by the 495/MetroWest Corridor Partnership; **Matthew Buchanan**’s “MetroWest Cost of Living Up 6.3% in Year” appeared in *MetroWest Business* for December 2006/January 2007, published by the MetroWest Chamber of Commerce; **Jennifer Powell** contributed “Greater Marlborough Region Actual Municipal Expenditures” to the December 2006 *It’s Your Business*, published by the Marlborough Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Professors Maureen Dunne, Martha Meaney, Mary Phelan and Fahline and MERC interns **Nathan Jordan, Michael Murphy, Lauri Polese, and Jennifer Powell** attended the 2007 Economic Forecast Breakfast presented by the 495/MetroWest affiliated chambers of commerce in Marlborough in February. They heard speakers from Sovereign Bank, the MA Biotechnology Council, and Genzyme discussing business trends for 2007.

Professors Maureen Dunne and Dr. Fahline Sjuib represented MERC and Framingham State College at the 2007 Washington Economic Policy Conference, jointly sponsored by the National Association for Business Economics and the Association for University Business and Economic Research in Washington, DC, in March.

The MetroWest Economic Research Center hosted its semiannual Advisory Board meeting on the FSC campus in March. MERC interns **David Lewis, Lauri Polese, and Nicole Hite** presented reports on their work to the assembled business, governmental, and community leaders.

MERC published *Greater Marlborough Region Municipal Revenue Report* by **Mary Phelan and Beverly Soriano** with **Jennifer Powell** in April.

The MetroWest Economic Research Center hosted its 15th Annual Conference at the Sheraton Framingham Hotel in May. This annual update on the state of the local economy was entitled: *Economic Engines 2: MetroWest and Greater Marlborough*. Featured this year was municipal finance in the thirteen communities centered on Framingham and Marlborough, MA.

Education Department

Dr. Diane Lowe, with 15 students from her Child and Literacy class, attended the New England Reading Association Conference 29 in Lowell, MA, in September. The conference theme was “What Drives Reading? Literacies in the 21st Century,” and featured Dr. Nell Duke, of Michigan State University, and Dr. David Booth, of the University of Toronto. **** Accompanied her students to Nobscot Reading Council events during the year, including the fall conference on “Building Literacy: Words and Images,” in October, the winter literacy conference, “Poetry on the Hill,” in February, and the spring meeting on “Feature Articles: Promoting Nonfiction Reading and Writing,” in April.

English Department

Dr. Julie Eckerle was a member of the steering committee for the Central Massachusetts Undergraduate Shakespeare Conference at Nichols College in April. She chaired a session at the conference. English major, **Stephanie Crugnola**, presented a paper entitled "Absence of Convention: Shakespeare's Rejection of the Courtly Love Tradition."

Mathematics Department

At the MAA Mathfest 2006 held in Knoxville, TN, in August, **Ruth Hibbard**, a student in Dr. Sarah Mabrouk’s Differential Equations class gave her history of differential equations assignment presentation, “Olga Alexandrovna Ladyzhenskaya (1922-2004),” during the MAA student paper session conducted during The MAA Mathfest 2006.

Sociology Department

Professor Lucille Lawless worked on several projects with **the Active Sociologists** in November. They donated a truck load of food items to the MetroWest emergency food pantry as part of an outreach program to the Framingham community and delivered holiday gifts for needy children through the local MetroWest community’s “Caring and Sharing” program.

****Together with Shin Freedman, Acquisitions/Serials Librarian, and Peter Chisholm, Director, Public and Governmental Relations, **accompanied the Active Sociologists and 40 FSC students to work at the Boston Marathon pasta party at Government Plaza in Boston, in April. This is the 16th year FSC students have participated in this international event.**

Interdisciplinary Collaboration

Dr. Susan Dargan, sociology department, **Professor Karen Druffel**, economics and business administration department, and **Dr. Irene Foster**, family and consumer sciences department, attended a meeting of the Inter/National Coalition for Electronic Portfolio Research in Omaha, NE, in March. They presented preliminary findings on their electronic portfolio research for peer review during the conference.

Dr. Susan Dargan, sociology department, Professor Karen Druffel, economics and business administration department, Dr. Irene Foster, consumer sciences department, and Ms. Andrea Pickles, director of academic technology and distance education, represented Framingham State College at the International E-portfolio Research Conference held in Washington, DC, in July. Universities and colleges from the USA, UK, and Canada presented and critiqued each other's research proposals. Framingham State was one of 15 higher education organizations invited.

Drs. T Bridgett Galvin, Paul Galvin, and Joseph D'Andrea, together with **Professor Karen Druffel, economics and business administration,** conducted a session at the New England Educational Assessment Network's Fall Forum at the College of the Holy Cross in November. Their session was entitled "Faculty Development: A Key Component in the Use of Outcomes Assessment to Improve Student Learning."

Drs. William Buckreis, chair, education department, and Joyce Cutler, mathematics department, were selected as master teachers for the Massachusetts Department of Education Intel Mathematics Initiative. The program provides professional development training for K-8 teachers selected from underperforming school districts.

Dr. Susan Dargan, sociology department and director of the center for global education, and **Dr. Hiroko Sakai, geography department,** participated in presentations for the **Center for Global Education's** offering of two summer institutes for teachers in July, entitled "Community Service Learning: Bridging the Academic and Experiential Divide; Framingham's Newcomers, Past and Present," and "The Physical and Cultural Geography of East Asia: A Content Institute for the Middle School."

Drs. Marian Cohen and Susan Dargan, sociology department, and Dr. Scott Greenberg, associate vice president of academic affairs, conducted a session at the New England Educational Assessment Network's Fall Forum at the College of the Holy Cross in November. Their session was entitled "Freshman Retention: Institution-Specific Assessment and Response."

David Baldwin, director of multicultural affairs, Ginger Boice and Keith I. Kozak, Residence Life and Housing, and Claire Simonetti, assistant director of student involvement and campus events, attended the 2007 Joint Meeting of ACPA (American College Personnel Association: College Student Educators International) and NASPA (National Association of Student Personnel Administrators: Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education) from March to April, in Orlando, FL. Over 9,000 college administrators from around the world convened for the decennial combined convention of these two organizations.

Media Consulting

Dr. Irene Foster and **Professor Arlene Handschuch**, consumer sciences department, were interviewed by Boston's Channel 4 CBS/WBZ in November and February for consumer report segments to appear on the evening news. The February piece, "Getting the Best Retail Value for Your Dollar," was repeated on the San Francisco CBS TV station affiliate.

Dr. Abdul Momen, economics and business administration department, gave five interviews to media including the Voice of America and TV channels on his research findings. He was a featured guest on the Voice of America's "Hello Washington" program and a VOA-NTV TV interview on global terrorism.

Professor Lucille Lawless, sociology department, was quoted in the *MetroWest Daily News* in an article entitled "Localized Dating Sites Are Not What They Claim To Be," in September. The article dealt with Internet dating sites and their increasing impact on personal relationships.

****Was quoted in an article entitled "Forbidding 'n-word' won't be a cure-all" in November in the *MetroWest Daily News* dealing with the response of the black community to the controversy surrounding comedian Michael Richards.

****Was quoted in an article entitled "Texting, Instant Messaging and Other Forms Dubbed Superior to E-Mail" in April in the *MetroWest Daily News*.

Drs. Virginia Rutter, sociology department, **Lisa Eck**, English department, and **Ira Silver**, sociology department, were quoted in the *Boston Globe West* edition in April about the upcoming FSC Global Warming Teach In.

Dr. Virginia Rutter was quoted in April in *Variety* discussing the sophisticated depiction of marriage in the HBO series *The Sopranos*.