

## 'O6 Urban College Grads Receive Send Off

May 31, 2006 marked the Commencement of Urban College's 13<sup>th</sup> graduating class. Approximately 200 graduates received their associate of arts degrees, certificates of achievement and Child Development Associates (CDA) certificates at the ceremonies at the Hyatt Regency Boston.

Since its founding in 1993, the College has been deeply committed to its mission of enriching the lives of Boston area residents who use their education to become successful members of the workforce and their communities.

"Throughout the students' journey at the College, we help them develop their vision to become leaders. We hope that our graduates carry their UCB success with them throughout their lives," remarked Urban College President Dr. **Linda Edmonds Turner**.

The UCB mission has become so widely recognized that **Julie Kahn**, VP/Market Manager, Entercom Boston, who delivered the commencement address, and Former Boston Mayor **Kevin White**, who received a lifetime achievement award, mentioned it as a focal point in their remarks.

During the ceremonies, special recognition awards were presented by Dr. Turner and Dr. **Sheila Taylor-King** to **Jennifer Miller**, **Jesse Foster**, **Cindy Heraldo** and **Marycilene Malaver**, who were joined by their fellow graduates in being

showered with applause and praise from the audience.

For over a decade, the Urban College of Boston has been providing higher education opportunities for residents of Boston's inner-city neighborhoods.

Partnerships with other higher education institutions have allowed the College to experience a considerable growth in the number of graduates pursuing



At the Urban College of Boston May 31, 2006 Commencement, from left **Robert M. Coard**, CEO of Action for Boston Community Development, UCB Trustee and Founding President; **Katherine White**; Former Boston Mayor **Kevin White**, who received a lifetime achievement award; Entercom Boston Vice President **Julie Kahn**, who delivered the keynote address; and UCB President Dr. **Linda Edmonds Turner**.

bachelor's degrees.

For more information, call the Office of Enrollment Services at (617) 348-6330. ❖



A TWO-YEAR COLLEGE  
CHARTERED IN 1993

## Dr. Grace Caines Leaves a Rich Legacy for UCB Students of Early Childhood Education

The Urban College of Boston community continues to mourn the loss of our beloved Dr. Grace Caines, Division Chair of the Early Childhood Education Degree Program. An advocate for all children, Dr. Caines, who was passionate about the education of teachers who instruct young children, died Monday, September 25, 2006 of ovarian cancer at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. She was 63.

Dr. Caines was more than a professor to her students, who adored her, and she in turn adored them. Her favorite words to inspire her students were "you can do it!" "She was the kind of teacher who made you think outside the box and not limit yourself to what is there," said Cindy Heraldo, who was quoted in Dr. Caines's obituary in the *Boston Globe* on Saturday, September 30, 2006. Cindy, one of Dr. Caines's early childhood education stu-

dents, operates her own child-care center in Dorchester.

With the announcement of Dr. Caines's death, the phones at the Urban College rang continuously with people from the community expressing their condolences. A single white rose wrapped in green tissue paper was placed on her door, as a solemn tribute to Dr. Caines, known as Miss Grace to hundreds of students in her program.



Dr. Grace Caines

Dr. Caines officially joined the Urban College of Boston

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One evening not long ago as I left UCB to go home, I found myself walking behind students who had just finished class and were heading toward the T. It was at least 9:00 pm or a little later. As I walked, I listened to the students talking about what they had learned that night, laughing and thoroughly enjoying themselves. One of them turned and saw me, and exclaimed, "I just love this College!" "Tell me why," I asked, impressed by their energy and enthusiasm at that hour. "You know," she said, "I enjoy this class because the teacher wants us here."

To me, this statement sums up one of Urban College's greatest strengths—the ability not only to provide students with a solid education, but also to show them how much they are valued. Our culture is one of respect and support.

UCB has helped hundreds who don't fit the profile of a "typical" college student earn associate degrees and certificates. We pride ourselves in knowing how to work with students who have job and family responsibilities, who may not have been in a classroom in many years, or whose first language is not English. In fact, we are the only college in New England to offer a bilingual certificate (English/Cantonese and English/Spanish) in early childhood education. All students have full access to our Learning Resource Center, whether they are enrolled in just one course or a degree program.

Applications and enrollments are on the rise. Since our founding in 1993, UCB has served more than 7,000 students and has awarded 796 associate degrees and certificates to a group of extraordinary non-traditional students.

Scholarship opportunities are expanding. Since the inception of the new Malkin Scholars program, 60 students have been named Malkin Scholars. These merit-based scholarships are made possible by the generosity of Moses and Hannah Malkin. Many of our students also qualify for state and federal tuition assistance, such as Pell Grants.

More graduates are pursuing baccalaureate partnerships with eight area colleges that enable qualified UCB graduates to enter bachelor's degree programs as juniors. Plus, each year Endicott College awards the Robert M. Coard Scholarship to one UCB graduate to continue his/her studies at Endicott College. In addition, each year we continue to have UCB graduates begin programs at Harvard University Extension School, our newest higher education partner.

I invite you to read about our efforts and achievements in the pages of this newsletter. Your interest and support mean a great deal to the UCB community.

—Linda Edmonds Turner, Ph.D.  
President

## UCB Trustee Profile

**John J. Drew**, Treasurer of the UCB Board of Trustees and ABCD's Executive Vice President, has been a national figure in the Community Action movement for over 30 years. His leadership in the field has been formed both by his personal experience and his professional training.

Mr. Drew was born in Charlestown, Massachusetts, and his early years were marked by the challenges of growing up in a hard-working community in which opportunities for education and career advancement were few. As a resident of public housing and a Head Start parent, he saw the beginnings of the anti-poverty movement of the 1960s. An academic late bloomer, he matriculated at Bentley College in his mid-30's, and went on to complete his MBA at Suffolk University. After being licensed as a Certified Public Accountant, Mr. Drew encountered Action for Boston Community Development as an auditor.

Mr. Drew joined ABCD as Budget Director, subsequently served as Deputy Director, and is now the agency's Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. During this time, ABCD's budget has grown to over one hundred million dollars, and its services have reached out to more than 100,000 disadvantaged individuals each year.

In addition to helping guide the growth of ABCD, Mr. Drew rapidly emerged as a leader in the wider nonprofit arena. He is



U.S. Senator **Tom Harkin** with Urban College Trustee **John Drew**.

the founder and former President of the National Association for Administrative Excellence (NAFAE), an association that helps make significant advances in the business management of nonprofit agencies. He is a sought-after trainer and consultant, who lectures frequently to national audiences in the Community Action network.

As an adjunct professor at local colleges and universities, including the former Urban College Program, Mr. Drew shares his combination of practical expertise and academic learning with a range of students in public management programs. Mr. Drew has continued to support the principle of wider access to higher education, helping to nurture the Urban College Program at ABCD and serving as a Trustee of the Urban College of Boston since 1998.

## Dr. Grace Caines

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family in 1993, the year the College received its charter from the state. At that time, she had just returned from a three-year service program with the Peace Corps in Liberia, West Africa, where she taught and helped develop school training programs. Following that she went to work in Swaziland, South Africa then returned to

Medford where she had moved in 1980 with her husband, William. Upon her return, Dr. Caines began to work in an educational program for Action for Boston Community Development. Two years later, the program became part of the Urban College of Boston. Attracted to the mission of the College, she accepted a faculty position at the College, where she developed the early childhood curriculum.

a master of education from Lesley University. In 2001, she received a doctorate in education from Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Two years later, she was promoted to chair of the Urban College Early Childhood Education degree program. Dr. Caines was service-oriented and employed a hands-on approach to her work. "She inspired her students to do their best and to take it back to their communities through the childcare field," said Dr. Turner, who was also quoted in the *Boston Globe* and the *Bay State Banner*. The *Globe* article further noted that Dr. Caines's passion was not limited to education, for she was also an advocate for the environment. For over ten years, she was a member of a musical group that recorded songs advocating environmental reform.

Dr. Caines leaves her hus-

band of 38 years, William F. Caines; her son, William F. Caines, Jr.; her mother, Mona Charles; and eight brothers and two sisters.

Hundreds of family, friends and colleagues attended Dr. Caines's wake on September 29 at Cincotti Funeral Home in Medford, where the line to honor her and pay last respects was around the corner. The next morning, a funeral Mass was held at St. Raphael Church nearby.

The Urban College community has made a donation in Dr. Caines's memory to the American Cancer Society. The College is currently in the planning stage for additional tributes to honor Dr. Caines. Please send suggestions for ways to honor Dr. Caines to:

**The Urban College of Boston**  
**Attn: Dr. Linda Edmonds Turner**  
**178 Tremont Street**  
**Boston, MA 02111**  
**[turner@urbancollege.edu](mailto:turner@urbancollege.edu)** ❖



*Dr. Grace Caines (center) posed with faculty members Bernadette Davidson (left) and Hanna Gebretensae (right) at the 2006 Urban College of Boston Commencement Ceremonies. Dr. Caines passed away on Monday, September 25, 2006.*

Originally from Trinidad, West Indies, Dr. Caines came to the United States when she was 25 years old and vigorously pursued her studies in early childhood education. She completed her undergraduate studies at Boston State College and went on to receive

## 2006 Grants

• **The Hispanic Serving Institutions Assisting Communities (HSIAC)** grant proposal for \$600,000 was approved.

The purpose of the HSIAC program is to assist Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI) of higher education in expanding their role and effectiveness in addressing community development needs in their localities, including neighborhood revitalization, housing and economic development, principally for persons of low and moderate income consistent with the purpose of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

• **The Tomfohrde Foundation** sent \$10,000 on June 22, 2006 to fund the Executive Service Corps.

• **The Lindsay Trust** sent \$10,000 for their scholarship

fund on July 14, 2006.

The Lindsay Trust funds scholarships for students selected by UCB.

• **The Building Careers** grant program was approved for \$44,732. This proposal supports scholarships/grants for ECE students.

Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care in 2004, and renewed in 2005 and 2006, the College received The Building Careers grant, which funds a continuing program to implement the new Massachusetts requirements for prospective Early Childhood teachers. This program has served as the model for the new statewide initiatives of the new Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care.

• **The Latino Hispanic Service Partnership** is moving into its third year of funding (approximately \$150,000 per year).

In fall 2004, the Urban College received a \$750,000 grant (over five years) from the **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services** to develop Classroom Connections: A Teacher Quality Initiative, the purpose of which is to enable a group of Head Start teachers working at centers in Jamaica Plain and East Boston to complete the program in Early Childhood with an emphasis on enhancing cultural competency—preparing them to work with Latino children and families. A particular advantage of this grant is the College's partnership with the Education Development Center, Inc. (EDC), of Newton, MA, a

nationally recognized leader in this field. EDC will prepare the curriculum materials to be widely disseminated, ensuring that the experience from these classrooms can be replicated.

• During the 2006 spring and summer semesters, approximately 50 students received the **Department of Early Education and Care's Early Childhood Educators Scholarship**, totaling \$113,400. In the 2006-2007 academic year, UCB expects that the total number of students receiving the scholarship will increase and the total dollar amount that they receive will be higher as well.

The Early Childhood Educators Scholarship provides financial assistance for teachers to further their education in the field. ❖

## Urban College of Boston Graduate's Son Sending a Message of Social Change Through R&B Music

More than receiving her associate of arts degree in early childhood education at the 2006 Urban College of Boston commencement, **Emma Jean Bullock**, is also proud of her son, **Wil Bullock**, who promotes sustainable food through his R&B music.

The September 2006 issue of *Boston Magazine* profiles Wil, who at age 25 has emerged as

the country's leading young musical ambassador for sustainable food. In 1995, Bullock worked at the Dorchester-based Food Project where he developed a concern for promoting young people's access to healthy food. His experience at the Food Project led him to travel abroad, where he saw "people sacrificing everything just to grow food."

Today, Bullock organizes an annual group of 60 interns to plant, weed, and harvest each summer. He has lectured at Harvard and



Yale Universities on the importance of educating young people about sustainable agriculture and making better food choices.

As a way to spread the word, this summer Bullock released a four-song CD, *Time for Change*, which he wrote, performed, and produced himself. To purchase Bullock's CD, visit the Food Project website at [www.thefoodproject.org](http://www.thefoodproject.org). ❖



## UCB Trustee Robert M. Coard Receives AAUA Eileen Tosney Award.

On September 21, 2006, Mr. Coard, UCB Founding President and Trustee, was presented with the American Association of University Administrators (AAUA) Eileen Tosney Award by Dr. Sheila Taylor-King, who is an AAUA Board member. Mr. Coard will join thirty other individuals who have received this award including notables such as Steve Trachtenberg, President of George Washington University, and Joe Crowley, President Emeritus of the University of Nevada.

The AAUA is a national/international organization of almost 900 members comprised of higher education administrators. The Tosney Award is AAUA's highest recognition for outstanding administrative/leadership contributions that advance the cause of American higher education. In 1967, Mr. Coard's vision to establish

Urban College programs was a successful attempt to bring higher education opportunities to the inner city neighborhoods of Boston. After facing many obstacles, the College was granted a charter in 1993 and through the continued dedicated work of Mr. Coard, the College became accredited in



Urban College of Boston Founding President and Trustee **Robert M. Coard** (center) with Academic Dean **Dr. Sheila Taylor-King** and President **Dr. Linda Edmonds Turner** at the award presentation.

2001. Mr. Coard served as founding president of the College until 2000, and was then elected as vice chair to the UCB Board, where he continues to be very active in promoting and ensuring the success of the College. ❖

## UCB Board of Trustees Welcomes Its New Student Representative

President Turner is pleased to announce that **Paula James** is the new student representative to the UCB Board of Trustees. Paula, who is the 7th student representative elected to the Board, has maintained a 4.0 G.P.A. since entering the College in 2005 to pursue her associate degree in early childhood education. Originally from Trinidad and Tobago, Paula resides in Brockton, where



New student representative to the Board of Trustees **Paula James**.

family and community service continue to be an important part of her life. Paula has been working in the field of early childhood education for the past thirteen years. She holds certificates in early childhood education from the University of The West Indies and a Montessori diploma from the Trinidad and Tobago Montessori Society. She worked at The London Early Learning Montessori in her country as a Montessori Directress. When she is not teaching or attending classes, she enjoys a number of hobbies, including reading and traveling. ❖

## Urban College of Boston Alumni Association Hosts Event on Campus

The membership of the Urban College of Boston Alumni Association (UCBAA) gathered on Tuesday, October 24 at UCB. This is the second reunion of the association since its 2005 inception. The alumni association was created to reunite and strengthen relationships between alumni and future graduates, as well as the Urban College.

The theme of the night was how alumni can support each other and future UCB graduates. The graduating classes of 2005 and 2006 actively participated in the event; their energy was exhilarating. It was inspiring to learn of the many members who have and are continuing their

higher education.

Creating an informational web page, presenting workshops and speakers—including representatives from local colleges—and developing fundraising strategies were also among some of the topics discussed. All those in attendance expressed their

deepest sorrow for the great loss of Dr. Grace Caines; she is greatly missed.

The next association gathering will be after the New Year. For more information about becoming involved, please contact **Noreen King** at [ntking@comcast.net](mailto:ntking@comcast.net). ❖



At the UCB Alumni Event (l-r) **Edna Yearwood** and **Cindy Herald**.

## Urban College Celebrates Successful Fall Registration

On September 6-9, 2006, the College welcomed over 650 students to the campus for fall registration.

According to Urban College Dean of Enrollment Services & Registrar **Dr. Henry J. Johnson**, “The increase in registration reflects the College’s responsiveness to the needs and interest of our students, many of whom are the first in their families to attend College.”

Over the past 13 years, the Urban College of Boston has come to fill a special niche in the higher education arena through its success in provid-

ing non-traditional students from Boston’s diverse neighborhoods with educational and professional opportunities for a better quality of life.

The College continues to design innovative programs such as bilingual early childhood education classes in Spanish and Cantonese. These classes provide professional training to students whose first language is not English, and are making a huge difference in

quality of childcare in the low-income Boston community.

The College is conveniently located in downtown Boston, making travel easier in order to register for spring 2007 semester classes. Returning students can register January 16 - 17 from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. New students are encouraged to visit the campus, meet with an advisor, and register on January 18 from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. Late registra-

tion for all students will be held on January 19 from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. ❖



Urban College Assistant to the President, **Kay Standifer** (left) assists an Urban College student during registration.

## Urban College President Presents at Oxford University in Oxford, England

On August 6, 2006, the Oxford Round Table invited Urban College President **Dr. Linda Edmonds Turner** to present a paper at its fourth annual conference at Oxford University in Oxford, England. The six-day forum is an opportunity for educators and policy makers to discuss important policy questions in an academic atmosphere.

Dr. Turner’s presentation was based on the Urban College of Boston’s mentoring model, which offers ways to promote the success of low-income, non-traditional women students, who bring with them many challenges. In her paper titled “Culturally Competent Mentoring: The Key to Successful Outcomes for Women Who Are First Time or Non-traditional Students,” Dr.

Turner cited recent findings from Lumina Foundation and other policy groups, indicating that the population of non-traditional women adult learners continues to increase in U.S. public and private colleges and universities. Many non-traditional women students assert that mentoring is the most important factor in helping them to stay in college, develop leadership

skills, and succeed. For information about the Oxford Round Table, visit [www.oxfordroundtable.co.uk](http://www.oxfordroundtable.co.uk)

Dr. Turner’s presentation was selected as the front page feature story in the *Women in Higher*



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## UCB ESOL/ESL Workshop Information

The Academic Support Services Department is now offering ESOL Writing Support classes from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. on Fridays. Classes are on a drop-in basis. Each week, a lesson will be given on the fundamentals/basics of writing. Topics to be covered will include subject and verb usage, pronouns, adverbs, etc.

Oral Communication Support classes will also be provided by the Department of Academic Support Services on Tuesdays. Students will be able to learn how to read and pronounce words in English. By reading short stories, students will be able to enhance their vocabulary as well as improve their pronunciation. This course is also provided on a drop-in basis. Students may also look on the bulletin boards for more information about this course.

UCB students who are interested in any of these classes are encouraged to stop by or contact Mr. **Josie Hatuëy** on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor of 178 Tremont Street or call Academic Support Services at (617) 348-6507.

## HACU

The Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) is offering the following programs to UCB students:

1. The HACU National Internship Program (HNIP)
2. HACU Scholarship Program
3. International Study Abroad Program
4. Southwest Airlines' Travel Program

Students may contact Mr. Josie Hatuëy at the Academic Support Services Department for more information on HACU's

programs. As a member of HACU, UCB students can participate in many of the options offered. Some of these have deadlines, so it is important for students to get their materials in beforehand.

## Learning Resource Center (LRC)

The Learning Resource Center (LRC) offers a broad range of academic services, including one-on-one tutoring for UCB students. Professionals who assist students in strengthening their writing, reading and learning skills staff the LRC. Tutorial assistance is also provided in Spanish and Cantonese.

The LRC focuses on maximizing the potential and development of each student's learning experiences at Urban College in a comfortable and supportive atmosphere. In addition to academic tutoring support, assistance is available to improve reading and writing skills, rehearse oral presentations, view videotapes that supplement course content, take make-up tests and search the Internet for reference materials. Services foster skills development while contributing to success in mastering course content.

## Urban College Partners with Area Colleges to Expand Library Resources in the LRC

In addition to materials available in the Learning Resource Center (LRC), UCB students are now able to use the wealth of library resources provided by Suffolk University, Emerson College and Simmons College,

and the Boston Regional Library System (BRLS). Peter Dean, who is the library intern, will be available in the LRC to assist UCB students in using the database, as well as inter-library loan services.

## Suffolk University

UCB students have access to the Sawyer Library through an inter-library loan agreement with Suffolk University. In addition, students have access to the Sawyer Library's Web-based instruction modules that provide in-depth information about search engines, retrieval techniques, and the evaluation of online academic resources. A direct link is provided on computers in the LRC to the significant resources on the Sawyer Library Website.

## Emerson College and Simmons College

A joint agreement between Emerson College, Simmons College, and Urban College provides Urban College with graduate school interns from the Simmons Graduate School of Library and Information Science. Interns will assist UCB students in using databases and printing materials.

## Boston Regional Library System (BRLS)

UCB students have access to the Boston Regional Library System (BRLS) through the Boston Public Library, including an extensive database for research and knowledge. [UCB students may use their personal library card \(obtainable online\) to gain access to BRLS' online services, including:](#)

ProQuest  
EBSCO  
InfoTrac  
OCLC

Newsbank Comprehensive Newspapers  
NetLibrary Electronic Books

## Urban College Pennants Featured at HACU Conference

The Urban College of Boston donated two of its pennants, which were displayed at the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on October 28-31, 2006, in San Antonio, Texas.



The Conference, the largest gathering of the Hispanic higher education community, was held at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center where UCB Director of Academic Grants **Erin Knepler** joined over 1,600 college, community, public policy, philanthropic and student leaders to discuss a wide range of issues, projects, and opportunities. Among the educational institutions represented were



the California state university system, as well as New York City Education Department, Princeton Review, The Peace Corps, and *Hispanic Outlook on Higher Education* magazine, along with corporate representatives AT&T, Aetna, Aramark, McDonalds, Hewlett-Packard and General Motors.

## New Faculty at UCB

Ms. **Lenore Tsikitas** is currently teaching Biology of Human Sexuality in the General Studies Division. She began teaching at Urban College during the summer of 2006. Ms. Tsikitas received a



UCB Instructors **Mei Hua Fu** (left) and **Bernadette Davidson** at the Fall Faculty Colloquium.

## NEASC Accreditation Update

In October, 2001, the Urban College of Boston received its initial accreditation from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). Accreditation is a continuous process for schools and colleges and the NEASC accrediting team recently spent three days visiting Urban College of Boston. The teams' response report to the College's Self-Study (which can be found on the College's website) and their visit report have been received by the College. President **Linda Turner** met with the members of the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education on November 17, 2006 for completion of this year's accreditation process.

NEASC held their 121<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting and Conference at the Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel on December 6-8, 2006.

master's degree in public health from Columbia University in May 2005. As a student at Columbia, she won the 2005 Challenor Spirit Prize for Outstanding Community Building; was the recipient of the Student Leaders' Scholarship Award in 2004 and a grant from the Student Travel Fund; and served as the Secretary General of the Student Government Association.

Mr. **Brian Shepherd** began teaching for Urban College in September 2006 and is currently teaching Introduction to Computer Applications for the General Studies Division. Mr. Shepherd comes to Urban College with a vast array of technology expertise. He received a bachelor of science degree from the University of Massachusetts at Lowell.

Joining the ranks of the



UCB HSA/GS Degree Programs Division Chair **Nancy Daniel** (left) and Academic Dean Dr. **Sheila Taylor-King** at the Fall Faculty Colloquium.

English ESL faculty for the fall 2006 semester is Mr. **Alvin Helfeld**. Mr. Helfeld earned a master of arts in applied linguistics and English as a second language from the University of Massachusetts at Boston. He is currently teaching Introduction to Academic Writing for second language learners and College Writing I.

Mr. **Joseph Assiradoo** joined the College in June 2006. He received a master of science

degree in actuarial science from Boston University and a bachelor of science in mathematics from the University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana. He is currently teaching Business Math for the College.

## Fall Faculty Colloquium

Dr. **Sheila Taylor-King**, Academic Dean, hosted the fall faculty colloquium on Saturday, October 21, 2006. Each semester the faculty meet to discuss important issues of the individual programs and the College as a whole. This fall the topics for discussion included updates on the NEASC and NAEYC accreditation, continuing and new academic grants, curriculum expansion, and continuing participation in the Institutional Assessment plan. Enrollment

trends were discussed, and Dr. Taylor-King and Ms. **Nancy Daniel** provided detailed information on the new Suffolk University partnership with the Sawyer Library. Mr. **Peter Dean** was introduced to the faculty. He is currently serving as an intern from a graduate program at Simmons College.



A few UCB students enjoying the Art of Spanish Dancing class, which was offered for the first time by **Martha Grout** in the 2006 summer semester.

## Academic Dean Announces Dean's List for 2006 Spring Semester

Academic Dean Dr. **Sheila Taylor-King** recently announced that the following students have been named to the Dean's List for the spring 2006 semester:

Angela M. Amoroso

Denise Antone

Melissa M. Beary

Filomena M. Berardi

Alketa Bocova

Pui (Kathy) Choi

Zaida Cochran

Rosalia Diaz

Valerie M. Giltinan

Lydia H. Gooding

Kristin Hallett

Marycilene Malaver

Yoelis Maria

Suzeline Michel

Jennifer Miller

Melsada E. Molyneaux

Mary Jean Murrell

Johanna Z. Ochoa

Barbara Ortiz

Ivette M. Perez

Pauline Prospere

Cynthia Rabb

Sherritta M. Rainey

Evelyn Ramos

Miriam P. Sanquintin

Doris Spoor

Evelyn Stoddard

Daniel J. Taitelbaum

Yumo Tang

Candace P. Thomas

Antoinette Weeks-Jones

Edna Yearwood

Myrna L. Zayas

## UCB Assistant Director of Institutional Advancement Selected as AFP Fellow

Urban College Assistant Director of Institutional Advancement Tina Cabral was selected as a 2006-2007 Fellow of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) Massachusetts Chapter. For over six years, Tina's hard work and dedication to the mission of the College has been of enormous help in supporting the development and marketing



UCB Assistant Director of Institutional Advancement **Tina Cabral**.

initiatives of UCB. The Fellows Program is an outreach initiative to encourage diversity within the fundraising profession. "I am grateful for this remarkable opportunity to learn best practices from progressive leaders in the field

of development," Tina said. She is a cum laude graduate of the University of Massachusetts at Boston with a degree in psychology and management. She is currently a master of public administration candidate at Suffolk University where she is a recipient of the Pfeiffer Fund Award for Comparative Public Policy and Rappaport Fellowship at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government.

## UCB Graduate Attends Annual Benefit Gala

UCB graduate **Pearline James**, who graduated this year with an associate of arts degree in early childhood education, has been attending Dimmock Community Health Center's Steppin' Out gala for eight years.

Over 3,000 guests including Reverend **Jesse Jackson**, State Senator **Dianne Wilkerson** and State Representative **Gloria Fox** gathered at the Sheraton Hotel on the evening of Saturday, November 4, 2006 for the 19th Annual Steppin' Out, Boston's premier benefit gala, which fea-

tured musical performances by R&B recording stars **Kenny Latimore, Chante Moore, Cuba Gooding, Sr., Dwele**, and Latin timbales king **Tito Puente, Jr.**, as well as local Jazz artist **Vivian Beard**.

The New Orleans-themed gala was not all to make Pearlline glow with excitement. This past August, she celebrated her 60th birthday, 37th wedding



*Internationally renowned Mambo King, **Tito Puente, Jr.**, featured at Steppin' Out.*

anniversary and 27 years in the child care field.

## Urban College Annual Fund

The Urban College of Boston is gearing up for its Annual Fund to invest in the future of our students, who are building stronger communities for future generations.

### How to Make a Donation to the Urban College

Tax-deductible donations may be sent to: The Urban College of Boston; 178 Tremont Street; Boston, MA 02111. Checks may be made payable to Urban College of Boston.

To make a gift using our secure giving online, log onto [www.urbancollege.edu](http://www.urbancollege.edu). Please fill out the information requested. After you have entered your information and submitted your gift, a confirmation page displays your gift information. You may print that page for your records. You will also receive a written acknowledgement by mail.

If you have any questions about the Urban College Annual Spring Appeal or Giving Online, please call the Institutional Advancement Office at (617) 348-6325 or email Tina Cabral at [cabral@urbancollege.edu](mailto:cabral@urbancollege.edu).



**Mission:** The Urban College of Boston was established to provide post-secondary education and professional mobility to members of the urban community who have been traditionally under-served by higher education.

The Urban College of Boston is committed to the belief that access to career-related and quality liberal arts education, and to an accompanying system of comprehensive student support, results in the professional and personal success of those who might otherwise remain unemployed, under-employed and unfulfilled.

Programs of study at the Urban College enrich lives through an integrated and individualized approach to the acquisition of learning and career skills, and to knowledge of today's world and workplace. Students are asked to apply acquired skills and knowledge in "hands-on" situations, with internship and study opportunities furnished by the diverse cultural, educational, and business resources of the city of Boston and the organizations of the Action for Boston Community Development, Inc. network.

The Urban College of Boston faculty understands the collective and individual needs of post-secondary learners of all ages, drawing upon the life

experiences of their students to make education relevant and timely. A supportive environment and the availability of helpful services unique to the Urban College assist students to move forward on the path to personal fulfillment, while empowering them to manage responsibly their own progress and achievement.

The purposes of the Urban College of Boston are far-reaching, extending well beyond the threshold of the Urban College campus. Our graduates, newly empowered as educated citizens, will enjoy more satisfying and productive lives. Equally significant, they will be prepared for the responsibility of contributing to the betterment of their communities and the well-being of their neighbors. Thus, the Urban College mission purposefully addresses the spectrum of urban issues and needs by ensuring the educational advancement and personal growth of its students.

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