

UCB College Fair a Success

The annual Urban College Fair took place on Tuesday, March 22, 2005 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the College's downtown campus.

The College Fair provides an opportunity for students to gather helpful information and talk directly with admissions representatives from more than a dozen colleges and universities to better plan their future career paths.

A record number of students attended the College Fair, according to Dr. Henry J. Johnson, Director of Enrollment Services and Registrar, who coordinates the Annual College Fair.

"The College Fair is part of the ongoing commitment of these partnering institutions to welcome UCB students into their programs," Dr. Johnson said. "The institutions also benefit greatly from the wealth of experience that our students bring with them."

Students exchanged information with the College Fair participants such as Wheelock College Admission Representative **Lisa Walmsley**, who said that she had received "a good amount of interest from Urban College students."

The growing success of the College Fair stems from the rich and comprehensive partnerships between UCB and area

colleges and universities. These partnerships encourage Urban College students to continue their education in a number of bachelor's degree programs. This year, Boston University and Bay State College were added to the roster, which included Endicott College, Lesley University, UMass/Boston's undergraduate, and the College of Public & Community Service, Cambridge College, Wheelock College, Suffolk University, Simmons College, University of Phoenix and Springfield College.

Students like **Sandra Winter**, student representative to the UCB Board of Trustees and **Daisy Pena**, became more focused on their future goals as they learn more about the programs at



Urban College of Boston Director of Enrollment Services & Registrar **Dr. Henry J. Johnson** (left) and Simmons College Admissions Representative **Alexandra Krol** at the 2005 College Fair.

these schools. "It's a way to further my education by finding out which colleges are affordable for me," remarked Winter. Pena is interested in attending Springfield College to pursue a bachelor's degree in Human Services.

UCB Salutes Clare Cotton: Champion of Higher Education Opportunities for All



Urban College of Boston graduate **Angela Gonzalez** (left) and Outgoing President of The Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Massachusetts (AICUM) **Clare Cotton**.

Over 200 distinguished members of the higher education community gathered at the Harvard Club of Boston on January 14, 2005 for a retirement celebration honoring **Clare Cotton** for his seventeen years of service as President of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in

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Chris Gabrieli, Chairman, Massachusetts 2020 to Speak at Urban College Commencement

On Friday June 3, 2005, hundreds of family members and friends will be cheering as graduates cross the dais to receive their associate of arts degrees, certificates of achievement and Child Development Associate Credentials at Urban College of Boston's 10th annual commencement exercises at the Hyatt Regency Boston.

Each year, the level of enthusiasm shown by Urban College graduates and their families is a fitting tribute to the students' passion, hard work, and commitment, as they step up to receive their diploma.

This year, approximately 100 graduates, most of whom never expected to go to college, will turn their teal tassels on their black mortarboards, as they continue on with their dream of providing a better quality of life for

themselves and their families.

Since more than half of the 700 students enrolled at Urban College are single mothers working full-time at low-paying jobs

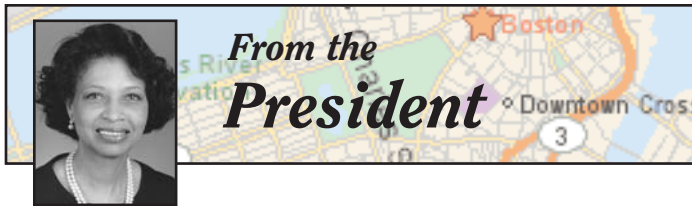


Urban College 2005 Commencement keynote speaker **Chris Gabrieli**, Chairman, Massachusetts 2020.

to support their families, commencement is a special occasion during which they can focus on their accomplishments rather than on the obstacles they face.

Chris Gabrieli, Chairman of Massachusetts 2020, will deliver

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We members of the Urban College of Boston community believe that we have a great story to tell, one of creating leaders through our broad-based services, academic and non-academic support, and career advisement.

We are proud of the uniqueness of the College, dating back to its founding in 1993. Our remarkable growth continues to extend beyond the walls of our campus, as we see:

- Applications and enrollment continue to rise; and
- Record-breaking numbers of graduates.

The College has added new transfer agreements, resulting in a growing percentage of UCB graduates completing, or planning to pursue, a bachelor's degree at partner area colleges.

We pride ourselves in providing our students with encouragement and support to reach their potential.

Our commitment to creating leaders (particularly in the region's childcare community, where the College has been providing highly-trained preschool teachers to fill critically needed positions) has been recognized as a national model!

Our courses are designed to promote leadership skill devel-

opment. For example, the College's Professional Seminar in early childhood education or human services/general studies provides students who are about to graduate with the opportunity to demonstrate their leadership abilities through a comprehensive portfolio experience.

We are grateful for the opportunity to tell our story of our remarkable student leaders who are gaining the skills to change their lives and make a difference in their communities.

Please visit our website at www.urbancollege.edu to learn more about our programs and services and our extraordinary students. If you have been thinking about going to college, I encourage you to take that important first step and consider Urban College of Boston.

—Linda Edmonds Turner, Ph.D.
President

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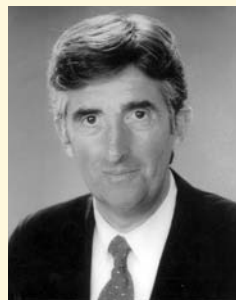
the keynote address to the graduates, who move closer to realizing the goal of a successful career. Some will begin jobs at Head Start and other human services organizations.

A civic and business entrepreneur, Mr. Gabrieli has shaped public policy to expand educational opportunities for children and families across Massachusetts.

Since its founding in 1993,

the Urban College of Boston has provided the opportunity for residents of Boston's inner-city neighborhoods to successfully complete associate degree programs of study. In addition, through partnerships with other education institutions, Urban College has increasingly been able to provide UCB graduates with transfer opportunities to pursue bachelor degree programs.

UCB Trustee Profile



The Urban College of Boston is pleased to introduce a series of Trustee profiles beginning with John A. Nucci, chairman of UCB Board of Trustees.

Mr. Nucci has served on the College's Board of Trustees since 1990. During Mr. Nucci's tenure, the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) awarded the College accreditation in October 2001.

Accreditation from NEASC allowed the College to expand and enhance innovative programs and to increase scholarship award opportunities for many students in need of financial assistance.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Nucci served as Director of Community Coordination of Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD), the largest anti-poverty agency in Greater Boston and a partner of the Urban College.

As former President and member of the Boston School Committee (1985-1989), Mr. Nucci was responsible for major school governance reform, allowing parental choice during the school desegregation era, decreased dropout rates, and improved reading scores of Boston public school students.

When Mr. Nucci was re-elected as Councilor At-Large to the Boston City Council in 1993, he made history in receiving the highest vote in the municipality that year.

Currently, Mr. Nucci serves as Clerk Magistrate for Criminal Business, Suffolk Superior Court, and is also an adjunct professor at Suffolk University's Public Management Department in the Graduate School of Management.

Mr. Nucci's illustrious career in public service to Boston's neighborhoods spans over twenty-five years and has earned him the respect and admiration of community leaders city-wide. His leadership has improved the quality of life for many of Boston residents through advocacy for policy change.



Mission: The Urban College of Boston was established to provide postsecondary educational and professional mobility to members of the urban community who have been traditionally underserved by higher education.

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Dr. Linda Edmonds Turner Joins Endicott College Board of Trustees

In October 2004, Dr. Linda Edmonds Turner was appointed to the Endicott College Board of Trustees, where she will play a role in shaping the future of the institution.



Endicott President **Dr. Richard E. Wylie** announced the appointment of UCB President **Dr. Linda Edmonds Turner** to the Endicott College Board of Trustees.

Dr. Turner brings a wealth of talent and energy to the appointment, with more than 20 years' experience in management and higher education. Under her leadership, UCB has expanded its enrollment as well as educational and funding opportunities to support the College's mission of providing Boston's inner-city residents with increased access to higher education.

"I am delighted to join the Endicott College Board," Dr.

Turner said. "Endicott College has an excellent higher education reputation and I am thrilled to be part of this dynamic institution."

Equally excited about the appointment is Endicott College President Dr. Richard E. Wylie who stated, "We are extremely pleased to welcome Dr. Turner to our Board. Dr. Turner will be instrumental in guiding the College into this new period of growth and progress."

In 2002, Dr. Wylie initiated the Robert M. Coard Scholarship at Endicott College. Each year this full scholarship enables a graduating UCB student to continue his/her undergraduate degree at Endicott College.

Endicott College was among the higher education institutions which participated at the Urban College of Boston Annual College Fair on March 22.

Cotton Honored *(continued from page 1)*

Massachusetts (AICUM).

Founded in 1967, AICUM is an advocacy association representing 55 Massachusetts colleges and provides information about education and financial opportunities, as well as state and federal legislative and regulatory issues. The Urban College of Boston was approved for AICUM membership in 2003.

During his tenure, Mr. Cotton has fostered cutting-edge student aid policy, and championed the access to higher education opportunities for all students in Massachusetts.

Although his visionary leadership will be sorely missed, his legacy of commitment to quality education and advocacy for all students will continue to inspire those who have devoted their professional lives to higher education.

Mr. Cotton's service to education has included positions as director of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, U.S. Senate appointee to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, and vice president for government and university relations at Boston

Urban College Launches Online Giving

The Urban College is proud to offer the convenience of online giving. It's never been easier to support the Urban College with an Annual Fund Gift.

The College's website launch of its online giving marks an exciting chapter in the Urban College's 12 year history. The benefits of online giving include convenience, security, and savings on postage. (To give online see details below).

Year End Appeal Recap

The Urban College of Boston is celebrating the success of its recent 2004 Year End Annual Appeal, which raised nearly \$20,000 to support the College's mission and provide education and career opportunities.

The Urban College Spring Appeal to Begin April 15th

Each year, the Urban College receives donations from many people including students, faculty, administrative staff, trustees, ABCD employees, alumni and friends who support the College's mission.

With the arrival of Spring, the College is now gearing up for its Spring Appeal which will continue to assist in the expansion of vital tools of education: tutorial assistance, financial aid, technology, textbooks, scholarships and a positive learning environment.

How to Make a Contribution to the Urban College of Boston

Mail Tax-deductible contributions may be mailed to: The Urban College of Boston, 178 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02111. Checks should be made payable to Urban College of Boston.

Online To make a gift using our secure online giving, log onto www.urbancollege.edu/donate/index.html. 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 receive a written acknowledgement by regular mail.

If you have any questions about the Urban College Spring Appeal or Online Giving, please call the Institutional Advancement Office at 617.292.4723 x6325 or email Tina Cabral at cabral@urbancollege.edu.

University.

Aside from his professional accomplishments, Mr. Cotton has served as an outstanding mentor for Urban College of Boston 2004 graduate **Angela Gonzalez**, who was joined in support by Mr. Cotton and his wife **Helen Cotton** at the College's Commencement last year. Angela is pursuing a bachelor's of arts in social work at

Harvard University Extension School.

Mr. Cotton received a bachelor's degree from Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Virginia, and a master's degree in philosophy from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In addition, he has received honorary degrees from several area colleges and universities.

UCB Announces New Scholarship Opportunities



Bright Horizons Family Solutions, the world's leading provider of employer-sponsored early care, education and work/life solutions, has recently announced their **4th Annual Bright Futures Award: National ECE Scholarship Program**. The four \$2500 scholarships are

available for students pursuing degrees in early childhood education or in a related field. The deadline for application is **May 31, 2005**.

Three scholarships are for future teachers who meet the criteria for each degree category below:

1. entering their second year of an associate degree program
2. entering their junior year in a bachelor's degree program
3. enrolled in a master's program interested in a teaching career

And one scholarship is for a student:

4. enrolled in a master's program pursuing a career as a director of a child care program

Faculty and Staff News

UCB instructor **Dorothea Keeling** was selected to receive the Association for Applied Therapeutic Humor (AATH) Ed Dunkelblau Scholarship to attend the AATH annual conference in Florida earlier this year.

Dorothea is the first practitioner of color to receive this scholarship, which recognizes her applications of therapeutic humor in her teaching at the Urban College.

Dorothea joined the Urban College in 2001, and has taught the "Biology of Human Sexuality" and is currently teaching "Health & Life Fitness."

New Book Is Dedicated to UCB Students

This year, **Anthony Sammarco**, instructor in history at UCB, published his forty-plus page book titled

Boston, which he dedicated to his students at the Urban College.

In his six years at the Urban College, Anthony has taught Boston Neighborhoods, Studies in American History and Boston Immigrants, which are part of the College's innovative course offerings.

UCB Talks One-on-One with Host of Local Spanish Show

On March 10th, **Josie Hatuëy**, UCB Director of Academic Support Services, appeared on the monthly Spanish segment of BNN Channel 9 Cable with talk show host **Jenny Cintron** to inform the Latino community about the higher education opportunities at the Urban College. Statistics from the New England Board of Higher Education lists the Urban College as having the highest percentage of Hispanic enrollments in the Greater Boston area.

Thanks to a grant from **Joseph B. Whitehead Foundation**, the **Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation** has provided 400 scholarships annually to students attending two-year degree granting institutions. These scholarships are a one-time \$1,000 scholarship for this year's program. The deadline is **May 31, 2005**.

Students who would like to discuss the eligibility and qualification criteria for these scholarships opportunities should contact Mr. Josie Hatuëy, UCB Director of Academic Support Services at (617) 292-4723 x6394 or email at hatuey@urbancollege.edu.

Dean's List – Fall 2004

Dr. Sheila Taylor-King, Academic Dean, has announced that the following students have been named to the Dean's List:

Shawntita Agnew	Jennifer L. Needham
Veronica Beckford	Rina M. Ortiz
Hermiline Chery	Daisy M. Pena
Mara I. Coehlo	Taina M. Polanco
Tarlise L. Conner	Sylma Prevost
Inez C. De La Cruz	Sherritta M. Rainey
Rosalia Diaz	Mirta M. Rodriguez
Cindy H. Heraldo	Gayle M. Spencer
Yoselin Hiciano	Josefina Terrero
Tanisha L. Holloman	Christian Torres
Zhong Fang Lin	Brunilde Tortolero
Sheila Moore	Sandra A. Winter
Mereme Mullahi	Myrna L. Zayas
Warna L. Nadunge	

Eligibility for the Dean's List is established by earning nine credits and multiples thereof, with a grade point average of 3.30 or higher, with no grade of "F."



*UCB Director of Academic Support Services **Josie Hatuëy** and Boston Hispanic Center Director **Jenny Cintron** at recent BNN Spanish show.*