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Student earns major fellowship

Alyne Butland, a senior political science major, has been awarded a fellowship at the Center for the Study of the Presidency, a renowned think tank in Washington, D.C.

Only 50 students nationwide are selected for the prestigious honor. Fellows engage in a year-long research project that is published by the center. In addition, they travel to Washington for policy workshops, where they discuss national issues with presidential scholars and White House fellows, are briefed by senior government officials and nationally recognized public policy experts, and are trained in public communications.

The Center for the Study of the Presidency, inspired by President Dwight Eisenhower and founded by R. Gordon Hoxie in 1965, is a non-profit, non-partisan organization that serves as a central resource addressing issues affecting the modern presidency. As the foremost organization in the United States dedicated to this effort, the Center also publishes the award-winning *Presidential Studies Quarterly*. In addition, the center conducts initiatives on presidential elections, science and technology, and promoting public service.

Butland, a member of the college's Leadership Academy, is a Fitchburg resident and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Butland Jr. She is the second Fitchburg State student to be honored with a fellowship from the Center. Zachary Darrow, a 1997 graduate, was also a fellow. He attended Syracuse University Law School and is currently practicing law in Rhode Island.

A Presidential Search Update

—A meeting of the subcommittee preparing the leadership statement is scheduled for Oct. 8 at 4 p.m. in the President's Conference Room.

—A meeting of the full search committee to listen to proposals from prospective search firms is scheduled for Oct. 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Miller Oval.

Meeting schedules and a host of other information is available on the presidential search website. Go to the News and Events section on the college web.

Colbert presented with Alumni Association award

Ronald P. Colbert (Education) has been presented with the Fitchburg State Alumni Association's Miller Award, which honors outstanding contributions to the teaching profession.

The award was established by Florence M. Miller in memory of her father, Joel D. Miller, one of the college's founders. The recipient is selected by the pastors of the Pilgrim Congregational Church and First Baptist Church of Leominster, and the president of the Fitchburg State Alumni Association. The award is presented each year as part of the association's reunion activities.

Also receiving awards from the association this year were: Elana Schreiber, the Alumni Recognition Award; Leo F. McManus, the Alumni Service Award; Keith P. Glenny and Jonathan Egstad, the Alumni Leadership Awards, and Beverly Sherwin Farias (a college trustee), the Booster Award.

Colbert received bachelor's and master's degrees in education from Fitchburg State, and a doctor of education from Boston University. He taught elementary school in Acton for 13 years and has been preparing undergraduate and graduate students in education at Fitchburg State since 1989.

Colbert has been active with a number of professional organizations, and has been engaged in community service for a number of civic and educational efforts.

A former president, vice president and secretary of the college's Alumni Association, he has also served on a

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In brief

■ A Harrod Lecture by **Patrice Gray** (English) is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 29, at 3:30 p.m. in Kent Recital Hall of the Conlon Building. Topic: "The Making of Teachers: Literacy Debates, the Issues of Standards, and Student Writing at Fitchburg Normal School, 1895-1910."

■ "New Work," an exhibit showcasing the college's communications media and art faculty, will remain on view through Oct. 25. The next exhibit will feature photography by Maxine L. McDonald. It's scheduled for Oct. 30-Dec. 6, with an artist's lecture on the 30th at 6:30 p.m. in Ellis White Lecture Hall.

■ Cheryl Groenveld (Treasurer's Office) made a presentation on "Leading the Way in Assessment: SUNY-Cortland Tries to Determine How Well They Do What They Do" at the Eastern Association of College and University Business Officers 83rd annual meeting in Philadelphia.

■ A few tickets remain for the concert by the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra on Saturday, Oct. 19, at 8 p.m. in Weston Auditorium. A 20-minute, pre-concert "Spotlight Talk" featuring a look at the big band genre and swing era with Michele Caniato is scheduled for 7 p.m., also in Weston Auditorium. Tickets, \$20 for the general public; \$17 for seniors, groups and alumni (\$5 for Fitchburg State students and children under 18) are available at the college's box office or by mail order. Any remaining tickets will be available at the door on the evening of the performance. Call the Weston Box Office at (978) 665-3347 Monday through Friday 12:30-3:30 p.m. or (978) 665-3709 for more information.

Making connections

Sheila Fredette (Nursing) presented "Raising Awareness of Cancer Prevention/Early Detection in an African American Community: A Student Community Health Teaching Project" at the Cancer Prevention and Early Detection Dissemination Colloquium in Miami.

The project will be implemented at a health fair in the college neighborhood and other Fitchburg and Leominster communities in conjunction with the First Church of God in Christ. Students will present information on the prevention and early detection of cancer, heart disease and diabetes. Fourteen students, along with Fredette and **Jean Worfolk**, will conduct the health fair.

"This is the kind of community project that is central to our mission," Fredette noted. "It's students connecting with the neighborhood to provide health education, and it serves several other goals: it's a group teaching project, a cultural awareness project, and a clinical experience. For the neighborhood it's an opportunity for education on illness prevention, a chance to connect with students, and connection with a community agency that provides a variety of services."

Faculty news

Roberta Adams (English) has been selected to participate in an NEH-funded workshop hosted by Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Florida, and the Asian Studies Development Program. The workshop, "Authoring Community and State: Political Culture in Asian Contexts," will be held October 23-27 at Eckerd as part of a two-year project to explore the merits of a thematic approach to the comparative teaching of culture.

Michael Bloomfield (Behavioral Sciences) has begun a two-year term as president of the Massachusetts Association for Marriage and Family Therapy. He has been promoting legislation in support of marriage and family therapists statewide, and is a member of the Council of Presidents for the national association (AAMFT) at leadership conferences. Along with **Lynne Kellner** (Behavioral Sciences), a board member and conference chair for MAMFT, he co-chaired the annual conference of the Massachusetts Association for Marriage and Family Therapy in Worcester. The conference looked at "Creating Connection: Emotionally Focused Couple Therapy."

Eric Budd (Social Science) was asked by the journal *Comparative Po-*

litical Studies to write reviews of David Kang's book *Crony Capitalism: Corruption and Development in South Korea and the Philippines*, and Kent Eaton's *Politicians and Economic Reform in New Democracies: Argentina and the Philippines in the 1990's* for the journal *Studies in Comparative International Development*. Both reviews will be forthcoming.

Barbara Scott Cammuso (Nursing) presented a lecture titled "Bullying: Identification and Preventions" in Shrewsbury. The presentation is scheduled to be televised this month on Shrewsbury Public Access Connection.

Robin Dinda (Humanities) had three large compositions for pipe organ published: "Suite Ayla" was commissioned by and performed at the 2000 AmeriCulture Festival, "Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit" was commissioned by Marilyn Mason, chair of the Organ Department at the University of Michigan and the leading American commissioner and performer of new concert organ music, and "Dinosauria," for organ and narrator, descriptive verses and music designed to introduce the pipe organ to young people. Wayne Leupold Editions is the publisher of all three pieces.

Jane Fiske (Humanities) presented a paper titled "The Art of Successful Mentoring" for the Northeast Chapter of the College Music Society's 17th annual meeting at Berklee College of Music in Boston. Fiske was recently named to *Who's Who Among America's Teachers* and the *Lexington Who's Who*.

Rona Flippo's (Education) talk at the IRA annual convention, listed in last week's issue, was the invited keynote speech.

María Mercedes Jaramillo (Humanities) made a presentation titled "Fernando Vallejo y Luis Fernando Macías: dos autores atentos a sus circunstancias" at the Simposio Internacional de Literatura y Sociedad in Madrid. In addition, she edited the book *Antología de teatro latinoamericano para niños*, and published articles on "Latin American Feminism and the New Challenges of Globalization" (in *Latin American Perspectives on Globalization: Ethics, Politics, and Alternative Visions*) and "La organización de mujeres latinoamericanas ante los retos de la globalización" (in *Revista de la Universidad de Antioquia*).

Mary King (Behavioral Sciences) was appointed to a two-year term on the board of directors of the National Society of Experiential Education.

Benjamin Lieberman (Social Sciences) presented a paper, "Ethnic Cleansing before Ethnic Cleansing: Representing Forced Migration in Nineteenth Century Europe and Western Asia," at a multidisciplinary international conference on "Forced Migration and Displacement: Causes, Consequences, and Responses," at the University of Bath.

Jeanne H. Moore (Humanities) has been chosen to deliver a paper, "Life's Chaos Ordered into Drama in Eugene O'Neill" at the 17th annual conference in Chaos and Order in Literature, Visual Arts, and Cinema in Atlanta next month.

James Noonan (Business Administration) will publish an article, "Northeast-Southeast Asian Trade Ini-

Looking at the Iraq crisis

The current stand-off with Iraq will be the topic of a forum scheduled for Monday, Oct. 28, at 3:30 p.m. in Hammond's Ellis White Lecture Hall.

Organizer **Eric Budd** (Political Science) will get the discussion started, **Teresa Thomas** (Social Sciences) will examine the situation from an historical perspective, and **Joshua Spero** (adjunct, Social Sciences) will look at the politics. Most of the forum will be reserved for questions and discussion.

tiatives Creates Threats to U.S. Export Manufacturing Markets," in the 2003 edition of the European-based *Journal Of Business and Society*. In addition, he will be the featured speaker at the regional accreditation meeting of the International Assembly of Collegiate Business Education at Newbury College in Boston. The topic will be "Collegiate and University Outreach."

Jason Nwankwo (Behavioral Sciences) presented a paper, "Unmet Promises: Improving Nigeria's Democratic Practices and Quality of Life," at the 14th annual International Conference of Nigerian Affairs in Tampa. In addition, he chaired a plenary session on development and democracy.

Lynne Wagner (Nursing) was an invited visiting scholar at the University of Colorado Health Science Center's School of Nursing. She co-taught a seminar on "Aesthetics and Wisdom Traditions of Caring-Healing" with Jean Watson, a well known nursing theorist. In addition, two of Wagner's poems, "The Faces of Oklahoma City" and "The Lady Who Sang," were published in *The HeART of Nursing: Expressions of Creative Art in Nursing*, published by Sigma Theta Tau, the international honor society of nursing.

Food and flowers

Center Stage's fall semester film series begins with the screening of *Pane e Tulipani* ("Bread and Tulips") on Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. in Hammond's Ellis White Lecture Hall. Tickets: \$5 general public; \$3 seniors and students.

Coming events

—Tuesday, Oct. 22, Writing Across the Curriculum discussion, "Alternatives to the End-of-the Semester Research Paper," 3:30-5 p.m. Miller Oval Room.

—Thursday, Oct. 24, forum on tax changes and their impact, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Campus Center Alumni Rooms, Hammond Building.

—Thursday, Oct. 24, film "Bread and Tulips," 7 p.m. Ellis White Lecture Hall, Hammond Building.

—Tuesday, Oct. 29, Harrod Lecture by Patrice Gray (English), 3:30 p.m. Kent Recital Hall, Conlon Building.

—Wednesday, Oct. 30-Dec. 6, Art Gallery exhibit (photography), Hammond Building.

—Saturday, Nov. 2, Natalie MacMaster, 8 p.m. Weston Auditorium. (Sold out).

—Thursday, Nov. 7, Norma Fox Mazer lecture, 7:30 p.m. Kent Recital Hall, Conlon Building.

—Tuesday, Nov. 12 (time to be determined). Freshman Foundation Year speaker J. Larry Brown, director of the National Center for Hunger and Poverty at the Heller School for Social Policy, Brandeis University.

—Thursday, Nov. 14, “Garden of the Finzi-Continis,” 7 p.m. Ellis White Lecture Hall, Hammond Building.

—Friday, Nov. 15, Flamenco Vivo!, 8 p.m. Weston Auditorium.

—Saturday, Nov. 16, Flamenco dance, 10 a.m. Weston Auditorium.

—Tuesday, Nov. 19, Writing Across the Curriculum discussion, “Using Peer Response Groups to Improve Student Writing,” 3:30-5 p.m. Miller Oval Room.

—Wednesday, Nov. 20-24, “Old Times,” theater performances, Percival Auditorium.

—Thursday, Dec. 5, “Brother Sun, Sister Moon,” 7 p.m. Ellis White Lecture Hall, Hammond Building.

—Monday, Dec. 9, Annual Winter Choral Concert, 7:30 p.m. Weston Auditorium.

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variety of the group's committees and boards. He was presented with the Alumni Service Award in 1980, and was voted Faculty Member of the Year by the Student Government Association in 1997.

Colbert is former associate dean/principal of the college's McKay Campus School and former chair of the Department of Early Childhood, Elementary and Middle School Education. In the latter position, he guided the department through the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) process and was instrumental in crafting the graduate programs in educational leadership and management. Through his efforts, the college also established and maintained partnerships with several school districts.

In addition, he served as graduate program chair for the college's master's program in Bermuda, and held leadership roles in the extended campus degree program, the Rollins Griffith Teacher Center in Boston, the Educational Leadership and Management Program, and the Non-Certification Secondary Education Program.

New Faculty Profile



Stephen Taylor

Computer Science

Education: Ph.D. computer science, WPI

Current Research: Computational linguistics, with emphasis on the Arabic language.

Other interests: Cycling, rural life.

Tax forum set

Dan Stango of the AIG-VALIC Financial Group will be the keynote speaker at Tax Forum 2002, to be held on campus Oct. 24 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Campus Center Alumni Rooms. The event will feature discussion of last year's changes in the tax code and their impact on individuals and businesses filing for 2003. For more information contact Jim Noonan at 978-665-3203.

Quote of the week

“Again she struggled with it, fighting him with her small, fine eyes, with the plush arrogance of a top dog, with her nascent transference to another man, with the accumulated resentment of years; she fought him with her money and her faith that her sister disliked him and was behind her now; with the thought of the new enemies he was making with his bitterness, with her quick guile against his wine-ing and dine-ing slowness, her health and beauty against his physical deterioration, her unscrupulousness against his moralities—for this inner battle she used even her weaknesses—fighting bravely and courageously with the old cans and crockery and bottles, empty receptacles of her expiated sins, outrages, mistakes.”

—F. Scott Fitzgerald, *Tender is the Night*