

good times and high honors

ARTS & SCIENCES ALUMS REUNITE *and* PAY TRIBUTE to AWARD WINNERS

Alumni enjoyed perfect fall weather when they gathered for Boston University's Reunion and Alumni Weekend, October 24–26. CAS (and former CLA) and GRS alums of all ages reconnected with classmates and faculty members at events that included alumni college classes, an Oktoberfest celebration, and a Young Alumni Community Service Project and BU Beach Bash. Adding to the weekend's good spirits, the men's ice hockey team routed the University of Michigan, 7–2.



Laura Deaton (CAS'86) is founder of Full Glass, a management, fundraising, marketing, and leadership consulting firm for nonprofit and philanthropic organizations, located in Port St. Joe, Florida. Full Glass provides services to organizations such as the Charleston Symphony Orchestra, Charleston Breast Center, the YWCA of Greater Charleston, and the Tallahassee Animal Shelter Foundation. Deaton was also the executive director of a San Francisco-area Big Brothers-Big Sisters agency. She was presented with her award by John Connery (CAS'69).



Matthew B. Smith (CAS'70, GSM'72) is managing director of investments for Connecticut Innovations, Inc., which provides strategic capital and operational insight for emerging companies in energy, biotechnology, information technology, and photonics. Judith Hurwitz (CAS'73, COM'75) presented his award. Smith has been involved with cutting-edge development of health care organizations, including HMOs, cancer centers, and medical technology start-up companies. At BU, he helped found and promote a biotechnology affinity group, while mentoring and providing internships for students.

More than 70 guests attended the CAS/GRS Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner on Friday to honor four distinguished alumni for their outstanding contributions to profession, community, and Alma Mater. The awards were presented by former Distinguished Alumni Award winners.



Margarita M. Muñiz (CAS'72) is principal of Rafael Hernández School, a bilingual school in Boston that places equal emphasis on Spanish and English literacy. Her presenter was Olive Lesueur (CAS'66, MET'85). In 2001, the Hernández School was one of 10 Massachusetts schools recognized for improved MCAS scores and was named as one of Boston's 23 Effective Practices Schools. Muñiz's many awards include selection as one of the "100 Outstanding Women in Massachusetts" by the Women's Educational and Industrial Union.



Alicia Cannon Mullen (CAS'83) is founder of Washing Pond Ventures, a Chicago-based early-stage venture fund that works with IT-enabled businesses. *LANTIMES* magazine named her as one of the "Top 100 Women in Computing." As the senior vice president of management information systems for the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Mullen implemented use of leading-edge handheld wireless devices, which transformed the way business is conducted on the trading floor. At BU, she was the first woman to graduate from the Department of Computer Science, blazing the trail for the many women computer science majors who have followed. Mullen recently joined the CAS Leadership Advisory Board. James Argeros (CAS'51) presented her award.

ARTS & SCIENCES ALUMS IN CHARGE

In 2008, two Arts & Sciences alums were appointed to the Boston University Boards of Trustees and Overseers, respectively. Stephen R. Karp (CAS'63), founder and chairman of New England Development, Inc., Newton, Massachusetts, became a trustee in September, while Shamim A. Dahod (CGS'76, CAS'78, MED'87), a physician with Chelmsford Primary Care in Chelmsford, Massachusetts, became an overseer in April.

Other Arts & Sciences alumni serving on the University's boards are:

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William Thomas Logan Jr. (CAS'49) of Harpswell, Maine, passed away. His daughter, Heather Logan Weiler, writes, "It is with great sadness I am writing to let you know that my father, one of your distinguished alumni, has passed away. He was, as you are aware, a Phi Beta Kappa and Pi Gamma Mu society member. He was a supporter of Boston University throughout his lifetime. His obituary appeared in the *Portland Press Herald* on July 5, 2008. He is survived by my mother, Margaret Miller Logan (PAL'48)."

George R. Stockbridge (CAS'53, GRS'54; CLA Class President) of Old Greenwich, Conn., writes, "I am still active in my printing/packaging paper brokerage business, at least part-time, and do substitute teaching in the Greenwich middle and high schools. Carol and I moved one mile away to a smaller home last year, still in our beloved Old Greenwich community. Would like to hear from colleagues at stockint@aol.com."

Tom O'Connell (SED'60, GRS'61) of Dennisport, Mass., was invited by Barnes & Noble in Hyannis to present his new memoir, *Bugging Out: An Army Memoir (1954)*, at a special Cape Cod Writers' Night. In early 2007, his memoir was selected by the *Jordan Rich Show* for its Winter 2008 Book List at WBZ Radio Boston. Tom describes *Bugging Out* as "the misadventures of a military misfit."

Ronald (Courtemanche) Court (CAS'65) of Essex Junction, Vt., was re-elected president and chief executive officer of the Booker T. Washington Society, a national nonprofit he co-founded to celebrate the legacy of Booker T. Washington and help students become leaders with character and integrity. See: www.BTWsociety.org. E-mail Ronald at court@BTWsociety.org.

James F. Kaiser (CAS'68) of Norwood, Mass., has recently returned from Korea, where he taught coordinated sciences at The International School of Busan. The previous year, he was a member of the faculty at The International School of Penang-Uplands in Malaysia, where he taught physics and general science. After teaching science in Massachusetts for 35 years, he has joined the international circuit, substituting as needed in various international schools and enjoying visiting and exploring foreign countries.

Karen Morris (CAS'72) of Belmont, Mass., recently published a book on beading. A former associate editor at *Threads* magazine, Morris says her new book grew out of her experiences working at a bead store and answering questions, teaching classes, and learning

everything she could about beads and beading techniques. She writes, "Is there a correlation between mathematics and beadwork? Definitely. In a woven piece, the beads are like pixels." Check out her website at www.BeadingAnswerBook.com. Karen's first book, published in 2001 by the Taunton Press, was *Sewing Lingerie That Fits: Stylish Underwear, Sleepwear and Loungewear for Everyday Living*. E-mail Karen at kmorris88@mac.com.

Raymond L. McDonald (CLA'73) of Santa Barbara, Calif., became the executive director of the Santa Barbara County California Workforce Investment Board (WIB) on July 7, 2008. He is one of only 49 WIB directors in California, responsible for the policy development and implementation of workforce programs for job seekers and businesses. In addition to his position with the Santa Barbara County WIB, McDonald serves on the Board of Directors of the California Workforce Association and on the statewide Labor Market Information Advisory Group. Prior to moving to his new position, he was employed by the San Jose/Silicon Valley Workforce Investment Board, work2future, as the manager for grants and development, after serving as the one-stop system manager. McDonald also worked for the State of California in Sacramento as a program manager and as the director of workforce services for the Solano County WIB.

Mark Lane (CAS'76, GRS'79) of Ormond Beach, Fla., is metro columnist for *The Daytona Beach News-Journal*. A book of his columns, *Sandspurs: Notes from a Coastal Columnist*, was published in September by University Press of Florida. The pieces range from state politics, dashboard sociology, local color, and NASCAR commentary to Darwinian gardening advice and explorations of The Great Florida Myth. The book is part of the Florida History and Culture series. E-mail Mark at MR.Lane@gmail.com.

Keith Armstrong (CAS'80) of Fairfax, Calif., co-authored *Courage After Fire* (Jlysses Press) with Suzanne Best and Paula Domenici. *Courage After Fire* is a self-help book written for U.S. troops in Iraq and Afghanistan and their loved ones. The book offers information and tips for family members and close friends—those who have kept things going on the home front and waited anxiously for their veteran's return. It is also for doctors, counselors, employers, coworkers, and others who may be asked to help with a veteran's transition. Keith is a licensed social worker. E-mail Keith at keith.armstrong@courageafterfire.com.

Daramana Gata (CAS'82, ENG'85) of Plano, Tex., writes, "After a four-year term at AT&T Bell Labs, I have been working at Texas Instruments for the past 19 years. There, I am the section manager of the Portable Audio Converters Design group in Dallas. My circuit designs have been a part of over \$1 billion of generated revenue. I hold seven patents."

COLLEGE AND GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ARTS & SCIENCES DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS

Each year, we celebrate Arts & Sciences alumni who have distinguished themselves in service to the community, their profession, or their Alma Mater. In the spring, we will begin to take nominations for the 2009 awardees who will be honored on October 23. Please look for the e-mail announcing the start of the nominating process or go to www.bu.edu/cas/alumni/. If BU does not have your e-mail address, you can submit it at www.bu.edu/alumni/services/address/.



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