Dear Wheelock Community Members:

The Department of Government & External Affairs, and Community Impact (DGEA & CI) is pleased to share this monthly email that highlights just some of the recent media coverage of Wheelock, its students, faculty, administrators, and alumnae/i. We encourage you to visit the Wheelock website and take a look at all of our news coverage. We hope this newsletter serves to inform you about the work that your colleagues are doing, and to instill pride among our community. Feel free to share with your networks.

Please note:

Opinions expressed by experts represent their personal perspectives, not necessarily those of the College. Wheelock supports diverse perspectives and this newsletter serves to highlight the breadth and depth of research and areas of expertise.

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Institutional News
Wheelock College Receives State Grant for Early College Planning and Coursework
Fenway Kenmore Patch, 1/14/15
The Wheelock College Aspire Institute, in collaboration with Salem State University (SSU), and Boston International Newcomers Academy (BInCa), has received $140,000 in startup funding from the State of Massachusetts for an early college high school program focused on creating expanded pathways and opportunities for English Language Learners (ELL).

President Jackie Jenkins-Scott in the news
Inspiring a World of Good through Early-Childhood Education in Singapore
Huffington Post, 1/29/15
This year, Singapore celebrates its 50th anniversary as an independent country. This is an occasion to reflect on its remarkable progress over the last half-century, from a poor, underdeveloped, resource-scarce country to an economic dynamo whose per-capita income is the world's third-highest.

Faculty in the News
Consensus on Early Ed. Value, But Policy Questions Remain
Education Week, 1/2/15
Preschool in some form existed in the United States as early as the 1800s. At that time, it was supported by groups that had two different aims, wrote Emily D. Cahan, a professor emerita of psychology at Wheelock College in Boston

New Year's resolutions from a School Committee member
The MetroWest Daily News, 1/8/15
Professor Eric Silverman writes: "Most school districts frown on presenting teachers with holiday gifts. But nothing in our district's policy manual prevents me, as a School Committee member, from offering the community a slate of New Year's resolutions. So in the spirit of the season, I deliver the following pledges..."

Want to Stop Sex Trafficking? Look to America's Porn Addiction
The Huffington Post, 1/28/15

https://e2ma.net/message/22b69/yn5nznd
Dr. Gail Dines, a professor of sociology and women's studies at Wheelock College who also chairs its American Studies department, said in comment for this piece that "we know that trafficking is increasing -- which means demand is increasing. This means that men are increasingly willing to have sex with women who are being controlled and abused by pimps and traffickers."

Staff and other news

Local MLK Jr. celebrations planned Monday
ThisWeek Community News, 1/14/15
Dr. William "Smitty" H. Smith, the founding executive director of the National Center for Race Amity at Wheelock College in Boston, will discuss race and diversity as the convocation's keynote speaker. The event is free and open to the public.

Celebrating MLK and Expanding the Circle of Amity: An Interview with Dr. William Smith
TheHumanist.com, 1/19/15
Dr. William "Smitty" Smith was interviewed by the Humanist on Celebrating MLK and Expanding the Circle of Amity. "One of the keys to bridging the divides that exist in the world is to look at the one thing that is common to all the divisions: the lack of interaction on a person-to-person level, a lack of personal relationships."

Father of Molly victim speaks to students about its dangers
The Boston Globe, 1/26/15
Steve Flannigan paced the room in Wheelock College, his eyes on the assembled students, his mind on the memory of his daughter, Brittany. He has begun speaking at schools and to community groups, telling her story, why he stood before the group at Wheelock on Jan. 16, flanked by top Boston police officials, talking about the dangers of drugs and alcohol.

Student and other news

Taunton author Ken Grout looks at Oscar's past winners
Taunton Daily Gazette, 1/17/15
Author and Wheelock Professor Ken Grout just released a new book about the Oscars called “And the Winner Really Is: The Definitive Ranking of Oscar’s Greatest Actors and Actresses.

Critics’ picks: Puppet Showplace Theater 40th Anniversary Exhibit
The Boston Globe, 1/28/15
Puppet Showplace Theater founder Mary Churchill’s crocheted Cranberry Puppets and characters from master puppeteer Paul Vincent-Davis’s “Japanese Festival Dances” are spotlighted alongside work by the theater’s affiliated artists. Through Feb. 21.

A ‘Pinocchio’ that owes more to Kabuki than Disney
The Boston Globe, 1/29/15
A Kabuki-influenced version of “Pinocchio” may strike some as the sort of theatrical experiment best suited to an avant-garde troupe performing in a dimly lit basement. But Wendy Lement and Steven Bogart are putting it on the big stage at Wheelock Family Theatre beginning Saturday.

From the Archives: Patriots fans, 1986
The Boston Globe, 1/30/15
In 1986 two Wheelock students showed their support for the Patriots against the Chicago Bears in Super Bowl XX by hanging teddy bears from the window of Peabody Hall dormitory at Wheelock College on the Riverway in Boston.

Contact Us
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