



ChatLetter

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Message from Alliance Leadership



Dr. James E. Samels, Alliance CEO and Dr. James Martin, Alliance Vice President as pictured in The Chronicle of Higher Education. "consultants doing excellent business in college mergers"

We are delighted to share our Fall 2005 ChatLetter, and report to our clients and colleagues across the nation and around the world on our hot projects in 2005 and new prospects for the 2006 year ahead.

We are excited about our new clients in California, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Nevada, New York, New Jersey, Utah, Washington D.C., Wyoming, as well as in the Middle East, the Pacific Rim in China and South America.

Alliance Congratulates



Congratulations go to Senate President **Robert E. Travaglini** and **Senator Steven Panagiotakos** for championing the Massachusetts senate *Higher Education Task Force* initiative.



Senate President Travaglini has accepted the Alliances' invitation to appear at this year's Annual NEASC Tea & Reception at the Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel in Boston on Thursday Dec. 8th at 5pm in Suite 523.

Congratulations also to **Stephen Tocco** on his reappointment as Chairman to the *Massachusetts Board of Higher Education*.



The Alliance was pleased to host for **Dr. Elson Floyd**, President of the *University of Missouri* system for an executive retreat at Camp Samels in September 2005.



Bravo to **Evan Dobbelle** on his election as the new President of the *New England Board of Higher Education*.



We are excited about our new collaboration with Nevada Chancellor **Jim Rogers'** on the State of the System project.



Welcome Aboard the Alliance...



Dr. Christian Brocato, comes to the Alliance by way of Providence College, Harcourt Higher Learning, Thomson Learning Systems and the Massachusetts State College at Fitchburg.

Welcome aboard The Alliance **Dr. JoAnn Mackey**, former Lieutenant Col. US Army and former faculty member at the University of Massachusetts and now Cambridge's new *Health Program Leader*.



The Alliance welcomes **Dr. Lawrence H. Poole** former president of Cayuga Community College as the Alliance's new *Community College Specialist*.

Welcome to **Dr. Lawrence Feldman** who has come on board The Alliance as *Senior Medical and Health Science Consultant*, joining us from UMDMJ.



Welcome to **John Standard**, our new *Alliance Doctoral Research Fellow* from the University of Massachusetts.

Alliance Newsmakers



We are particularly pleased to announce a new partnership and joint venture with **Saratoga Associates**, nationally-recognized higher education planners and architects.

We are particularly delighted about our new column in **University Business** entitled "Future Shock."



Thanks go to **Congressman Marty Meehan** for his participation and public remarks at the Alliance's Annual Tea and book-signing at the Copley Plaza.



Plaza.



Special congratulations go to **President Mahesh Sharma** on his feature interview in the **Boston Business Journal**.



Congratulations also to **Dr. James Mullen** on his appointment as the new President of Elms College.

The Alliance Applauds:

Congratulations to **Dr. George Babcock** of *Atlantic Union College* for developing a new MBA partnership with the University at Phoenix.



Congratulations to Chairman of the Board **Blair Brown** at *Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology*, on its feature story in the *Boston Globe* and *Community College Week*.

Congratulations go to **Dr. Paul Raverta** on his election as the new President of *Berkshire Community College*.



Congratulations to **Dr. Larry Spraggs**, President of *Broome Community College* for its new state-of-the-art Hockey Stadium.

Congratulations to *Burlington County College* on its new Mt. Holly Campus.



Congratulations to **Dr. Joe McNabb**, *Caritas Laboure* President on the new *Futures* project.

Congratulations go to **Dr. Wayne Watson**, Chancellor of *City Colleges of Chicago* for featured coverage in *Community College Week*.

Congratulations to **Dr. Richard Carpenter**, President of the *Community College of Southern Nevada* for the completion CCSN's new strategic plan.



Congratulations to **Dr. Corlis McGee** on her appointment as the new President of *Eastern Nazarene College*.

Congratulations to **Dr. Willard Gingerich** as the new *Farleigh Dickinson University* Provost.



Congratulations go to *Gateway Community College* President **Dr. Dorsey Kendrick** on the new Gateway Campus in New Haven Connecticut.

Congrats to **Dr. Michael Riccards**, new President of The Hall Foundation in New Jersey.

Congratulations to **Dr. Ralph Hexter** on his recent inauguration as the new President of *Hampshire College*.



Congratulations go to **Dr. Bill Messner** on his appointment as the new President of *Holyoke Community College*.

Congratulations go to *Massasoit* President **Dr. Charles Wall** and the MCC Board of Trustees for hosting the Higher Education Summit with featured speakers **Senators Panagiotakos and Creden**.



Congratulations go to **Dr. Carol Berotte Joseph** on her appointment as the new President of the *Massachusetts Bay Community College*.

Congratulation goes to **Dr. Carole Cowan** on the celebration of “*Middlesex Community College’s* 35th Anniversary Year Gala event, honoring Dr. Cowan’s 15 Years as President.”



Special congratulations to President **Dr. Mary Ellen Jukoski** and the *Mitchell College* Board of Trustees on the announcement of a new capital campaign for funding the reinvention of the Mitchell Campus.

Congratulations to *Mount Wachusett Community College* on their youth leadership workforce development program.



Congratulations to **Dr. Debra Murphy** President of *Nichols College* for Nichols’ successful Endowment Campaign.

Congratulations to **Dr. Martha Harrison** on her appointment as the new President of *Quincy College*.



Congratulations to *Raritan Valley* President **Dr. Jerry Ryan** on his bold vision for the new RVCC life science collaboration initiative.

Congratulations go to **Dr. Charles Middleton** President of *Roosevelt University* for hosting the summer’s premier national higher education media symposium at Roosevelt in July.



Hats off to **Dr. Kevin Drumm**, President of *Sheridan College* for its new Baccalaureate feasibility initiatives at Sheridan-Wyoming’s newest college town.

Congratulations go to **Dr. Joseph L. Kennedy**, President of *SUNY Canton* on the College’s national branding and partnering campaign.



Congratulations go to **Dr. Michael Collins** as the new Chancellor of the *University of Massachusetts Boston*.

Congratulations go to the *University of Massachusetts Lowell* on the announcement of its new Nanotech Development Initiative.



Congratulations go to President **Dr. Will Austin** for *Warren County Community College’s* new partnership with the *Hackettstown Medical Center Network* in Northwestern New Jersey.

Congratulations go to **Dr. Vicky Carwein** of *Westfield State College* for her successful statewide College Bus Tour.





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Welcome to **Richard Diemel** the Alliance's new *Chief Technology Officer*.



Welcome aboard to **Ann Hill** our new Alliance *Administrative Assistant*.



Welcome to **Matthew Conlon**, the Alliance's new *Webmaster and Undergraduate Technology Fellow*.

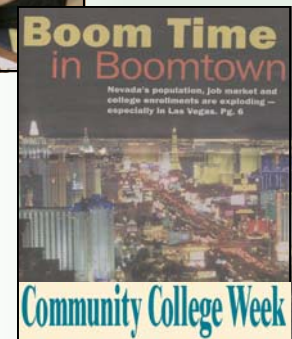
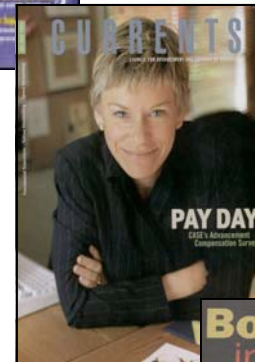
Recent Alliance Publications...

Women Higher Ed Power Hitters— These leaders are breaking through the glass ceiling in the ivory tower of academe. (*University Business*, July 2005)

The End of the Beginning— Recognizing successful presidential transitions (*CASE Currents*, July/Aug 2005)

What Happens in Vegas Stays in Vegas (*Community College Week*, February 2005)

Martin and Samels *Boston Business Journal* article entitled **Winds of Higher-Ed Reform**.



Boston Business Journal

Martin and Samels were plenary speakers at the **American Council on Education's** inaugural chief academic officer institute at Snowbird, Utah in August 2005. [Check the Alliance website for more information about this meeting and for Jim and Jim's remarks...](#)



Martin and Samels spoke about their latest book, **Presidential Transition** to trustees at the annual convention sponsored by the **Association of Governing Boards** in San Diego in April.



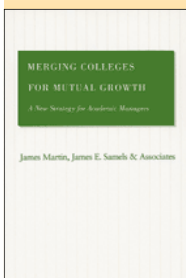
Martin and Samels spoke at the national **American Association of Community College** Conference in Boston in April. Their topic was "Unhappy Presidents, And What Their Institutions Can Do About It." They also spoke at the AACC Presidents Institute in Sonoma California in July on presidential transition.



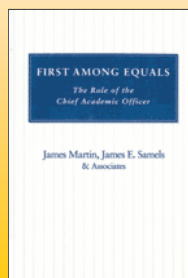
Book News

Martin and Samels' **Presidential Transition in Higher Education**, published in October 2004, sold out its first printing in ten months and a second printing is being prepared and will be available in an affordable paperback version in February 2006 with another key placement in both Johns Hopkins and AGB catalogues.

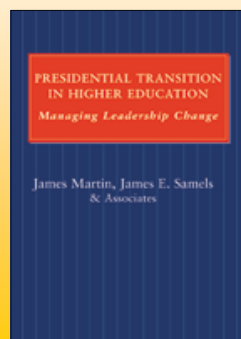
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