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A group of area business, industry and community leaders will honor Dr. Gary O. Rankin at a Friday evening reception at the home of Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke as a highlight of the university's observance of Higher Education week.

In addition, Dr. Rankin, selected earlier by a special committee to represent the university in its first observance of a new "Meet the Scholar" program, will be introduced at a Friday afternoon news conference.

Rankin, who will deliver remarks at both events, is interim chairman of Marshall's Pharmacology Department.

The news conference, scheduled for 1 p.m. in Memorial Student Center's Shawkey Room, will be open to the public and members of the university community are invited to attend, Nitzschke said.

"We're trying to give the people of this area a look behind the scenes at some of the real academic excellence here at Marshall, and Gary Rankin is a perfect example," said Dr. Nitzschke.

According to selection committee chairman Christopher Dolmetsch, Rankin thoroughly met the criteria of outstanding achievement, research and scholarship.

"He especially embodies the concept that scholarship is an ongoing process which requires constantly being involved in creative activities," Dr. Dolmetsch said. "He has been extremely successful in drawing research attention and funding to Marshall."

Dr. Alan B. Gould, acting vice president of academic affairs, called Rankin "very dynamic and articulate, with an impressive ability to communicate very complex technical research in layman's terms."

Rankin has been associated with the Marshall School of Medicine since 1978. He received his B.S. degree in chemistry from the University of Arkansas and his Ph.D. in medicinal chemistry from the University of Mississippi.

While at Marshall, he has twice been named Professor of the Year by medical students. He also received the 1984-85 Excellence in Teaching Award, and was named the Outstanding Researcher of the Year by Marshall's chapter of Sigma Xi, a scientific research honorary.

Gould said Marshall will continue to reach out to the region with the Meet the Scholars Program. "We have many truly outstanding faculty members whose presence directly and indirectly affects people throughout our area," he said. "These scholars personify Marshall's commitment to excellence, and we're pleased to have a program which recognizes them."

Hughes returns Nov. 4

Tickets are now available for the Nov. 4 concert by Revella Hughes, noted organist and jazz musician, who will return to her home town of Huntington to present a public concert at 8 p.m. in Smith Hall.

Billled as "An Informal Hour of Music," the concert will feature Dr. Hughes at the Hammond organ. Narrating the program herself, she will play her own arrangements of spirituals, a group of Latin American selections, jazz hits by such greats as Eubie Blake, Fats Waller and George Gershwin, "Meet the Masters and Their Rhythms" featuring the music of Beethoven, Chopin, Bach and others, and her own "Tribute to the Duke," a series of arrangements of favorite Duke Ellington tunes.

Born in Huntington where she began her education, Dr. Hughes continued her studies in Richmond, Va., and Oberlin, Ohio. After many years of performing, she returned to Huntington in 1932 to teach music at Douglass High School.

At the age of 90, Dr. Hughes was honored by Marshall University and presented an honorary Doctor of Music degree in May, 1985.

In talking about her forthcoming program at Marshall, Dr. Hughes said, "This is my chance to say thank-you to both the city of my birth and the university which so kindly honored me in my ninetieth year."

The program is being sponsored by the Marshall University College of Fine Arts. General admission tickets will be $3. Youth 17 and under will be admitted for $1 and Marshall students, faculty and staff will receive free tickets by presenting a valid identification card. Tickets are available at the College of Fine Arts Office in room 112 Old Main and will be available at the door.

For more information and ticket reservations phone 696-6433.

President sends thanks

To Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Please accept my sincere appreciation for your participation in last week's meetings with members of the West Virginia Legislature's Subcommittee on Higher Education. You made a strong impression on the subcommittee members with the numbers of you who attended the various meetings, with your knowledge of the issues, and with your very real concern.

Thank you—very much!

--- Dale F. Nitzschke
President
The following report on the Oct. 10 and Oct. 17 meetings of the President's Cabinet was submitted by Rainey Duke, faculty representative to the Cabinet.

The last two Cabinet meetings included the following items and activities:

Oct. 10

Sick Leave Benefit: Dr. Nitzschke distributed a memorandum from Chancellor Ginsberg clarifying the Board's policy on granting sick leave to 9-month faculty: (1) These faculty are entitled to earn sick leave benefits at the same rate as all other state employees. (2) Accumulated sick leave may be used to extend health insurance coverage beyond retirement. (3) Institutions must now keep sick leave records for 9-month faculty.

Board of Regents Legislative Program: Budgetary Requests: Dr. Nitzschke distributed these recommendations from the Board: "(1) Funding in the amount of $10,400,000 to fully implement the provisions of Senate Bill No. 612; (2) Funding in the amount of $9,240,000 to fully fund the West Virginia Higher Education Grant Program, in order to provide financial assistance to all qualified West Virginia applicants seeking to attend both public and private institutions of higher education; (3) Funding in the amount of $700,000 to establish a matching fund for faculty and classified employee development, in order to provide financial assistance and attract private funds to assist higher education employee updating, retraining, and professional education programs; (4) Funding in the amount of $977,000 to implement improvements in teacher education programs at colleges and universities, in line with the new State Board of Education Policy 5100 and Policy 5200, and to improve the quality of preparation of public school teachers in our state; and (5) Funding in the amount of $7,950,000 to provide for a systematic overhaul of computer research and instructional hardware and software at state colleges and universities."

Speaker of the Week - H. Truman Chafin: Senator Chafin, the person who suggested these Cabinet/State Administrative visits to President Nitzschke, stressed the importance of this kind of contact on a continuing basis. While half-jokingly suggesting Dr. Nitzschke live in Charleston from January to March in order to become a full-time lobbyist, he more seriously recommended that some sort of daily contact be maintained while the legislature is in session.

Oct. 17

Higher Education Subcommittee Visitation: The subcommittee met twice with the Cabinet: 9-10:15 and 4-5:15. In the earlier meeting Dr. Nitzschke briefed the legislators on areas of concern in Higher Education. Senator Chafin, the Chair, and Delegate Rogers, the co-chair, expressed their desire to return to Marshall faculty a pay schedule comparable to that of WVU. Senator Chafin further asked that FTE support be elevated to reflect the scope and importance of this kind of contact on a continuing basis.

In response to his request for funds for the Center for Excellence in Teacher Education, Delegate Rogers expressed her interest in legislative matters this year. Senator Chafin indicated that colleges and universities have been reticent about the matter because they hoped that the Governor, after reading the impact statements from the presidents, would rescind the order. The presidents as part of a whole system will probably not act until they receive a go-ahead from the BOG. The subcommittee felt the Governor would not rescind the order as long as there was no pressure to do so.

Amendment vote due

In compliance with the Greenbook (p. 32), the secretary of the faculty will be distributing a ballot on a proposed amendment to the constitution on Oct. 31, ten working days from the time of its presentation at the second general faculty meeting.

The amendment reads: "The statement in Sturgis Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure defining proxy voting should be amended to the constitution, and each standing committee may determine whether it will use proxy voting."

The ballots will be distributed through the chairs and returned to the academic deans by 4 p.m. on Nov. 7. An amendment to the constitution shall be effective if approved by a two-thirds majority of the ballots cast by the faculty.

MU short of goal

Marshall University has not reached its goal of $15,000 for the United Way campaign, according to Dr. Patrick I. Brown, co-leader of the drive along with John W. Lyles. Faculty and staff are urged to return pledge cards to a United Way departmental representative or the head of your department as soon as possible.

If you did not receive a pledge card or if you have any questions please contact Brown at 429-1365 or Lyles at ext. 6460 right away.

"At this time we are making an urgent appeal to faculty and staff members to make a contribution to this worthy cause and help the university reach its goal," said Dr. Brown.

Address changes needed

If your address has changed during the 1985 calendar year, you need to inform the Payroll Office of the change before Nov. 15.

To accommodate this request, the Payroll Office will insert a change of address card with checks for the pay period ending Oct. 31.

Please make sure the address on your check is correct.

have a greater role in education in the state. Lyle Sattes not only indicated he would like to assist in achieving greater flexibility in the budget but also stated a hope that faculty improvement monies could be increased, thus continuing with long-term gains. Bob Holliday expressed a desire to solve the serious problem of faculty position shortages. He also noted the great strides taken in faculty attendance and interest in legislative matters this year. (Thanks for the great turnout, everyone!)

The problem of Executive Order 2-85 which continues to cripple West Virginia higher education (Marshall lost $940-980,000 in monies with this freeze) was discussed at length. Most of the subcommittee agreed that while some interest credits should have been made, they should not have been in higher education which had already been short-changed for years. President Nitzschke indicated that colleges and universities have been reticent about the matter because they hoped that the Governor, after reading the impact statements from the presidents, would rescind the order. The presidents as part of a whole system will probably not act until they receive a go-ahead from the BOG. The subcommittee felt the Governor would not rescind the order as long as there was no pressure to do so.

Nursing workshop set

The Marshall University School of Nursing is sponsoring a workshop on "Critical Care Advanced Concepts" on Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 29-30, at the Gateway Holiday Inn, Route 60 East, Huntington.

The two-day course has been designed for health care professionals, particularly nurses who are working in critical care settings.

Geared for the experienced clinician, the program content will focus on selected cardiovascular and pulmonary topics and will cover the shock process, cardiovascular assessment techniques, pulmonary status, acute respiratory failure and chest x-rays.

Participants will receive 15.6 contact hours or 1.6 continuing education units, approved by the West Virginia Nursing Association and accepted by the Kentucky Board of Nursing.

For registration information contact the Marshall University School of Nursing at 696-6750.

Women's Center lunchbag

Jan Lilly, peer counselor coordinator with the Huntington Center for Independent Living, will discuss issues and pertinent laws for disabled women at next week's Women's Center lunchbag seminar. The seminar will be held from noon to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 30, in Prichard Hall, room 143.
Choral Union performance scheduled

In its first concert of the season, the Marshall University Choral Union will present George Frederick Handel’s “Dettingen Te Deum” and “Choral Fantasy” by Ludwig van Beethoven on Friday, Nov. 1, at 7:30 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

The 80-voice choir, 50-piece orchestra and soloists will be conducted by Dr. Joseph E. Line, Marshall’s director of choral activities.

“Dettingen Te Deum” will feature soloists Dale Capehart, baritone, choir director at the First Presbyterian Church of Kenova; Earline Allen, contralto, a member of the MU Art Department; Allen Webner, tenor, organist and choir director at the First United Methodist Church of Ashland; and G.D. Nixon, bass, a local musician and music teacher who received his A.B. and M.A. degrees in music from Marshall.

Handle wrote “Dettingen Te Deum” for celebrations held after the British victory over the French at the town of Dettingen in 1743. The English text is taken from the Anglican Book of Common Prayer and is set in stirring and noble choral movements and solos, according to Dr. Line.

The featured soloist for the Beethoven “Choral Fantasy,” a one-movement virtuoso piano concerto which also includes vocal soloists and chorus, will be Dr. Kenneth Marchant, a member of the Marshall piano faculty. “Choral Fantasy” is considered to be the immediate musical predecessor to Beethoven’s famous “Ninth Symphony,” which in recent years was performed by the Choral Union under the direction of Robert Shaw.

Vocal soloists for the piece include Katherine Kirk, soprano; Carolyn Smith, mezzo-soprano; Earline Allen, contralto; Allen Webner, tenor; Bruce Roux, baritone; and G.D. Nixon, bass.

The Choral Union is a vocal ensemble which combines singers from the Tri-State region and from the Marshall University student body. Membership in the ensemble is open to all interested singers without audition.

The Handel and Beethoven concert is open free to the public and is sponsored by the Marshall University Music Department and the College of Fine Arts.

R.S.O. plans dinner

The Returning Student Organization (R.S.O.), an organization for re-entry students aged 25 or older, invites all interested students to attend its meetings.

Beginning in November, regular R.S.O. meetings will be held on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 12:30 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. in the Women’s Center, room 143 Prichard Hall.

The organization’s first social event of the year will be a pot-luck dinner on Saturday, Nov. 2, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Campus Christian Center. Returning students are encouraged to attend with their families. Everyone should bring their own eating utensils, beverage and a covered dish.

For more information on R.S.O. meetings and events contact Chris DeVos at 696-3111 or Patti Matters at 696-3112.

Position openings...

The Marshall University Personnel Office has announced the following campus job opportunities:

Assistant Manager of Housing, Housing Office, Pay Grade 12, closes Nov. 8.

Instructor/Assistant/Associate Professor, Medical Record Technology, Community College, closes Feb. 1, 1986.

Assistant and Associate Professors, College of Business, positions in accounting, computer science, business information systems, finance, management and marketing, closes Jan. 15, 1986.


Child Neurologist, Pediatrics, closes Dec. 31.

Assistant/Associate Professor, Educational Administration, closes Jan. 1, 1986.

Grounds Service Worker, Plant Operations, Pay Grade 2, closes Oct. 25.

Secretary II, Public Safety, Pay Grade 4, closes Oct. 25.

Assistant/Associate Professor of Business Education, Occupational and Safety Education, closes Nov. 25.

Cannett Professor of Journalism, Journalism, closes Nov. 14.

For additional information or to apply, contact the Personnel Office, 696-6455.

EEO workshop slated


In addition to the conference, a special workshop designed specifically for faculty and staff and others involved in higher education will be held Wednesday, Oct. 30, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Memorial Student Center room 2E11.

The conference and workshop are designed to help educate employers and the public about their rights and responsibilities under civil rights laws and inform them about some specific forms of employment discrimination.

Activities on Thursday will include sessions on handicap, sex, race and age discrimination and the history of affirmative action and its application in the work force today. The effects of court decisions and recent Equal Employment Opportunity legislation also will be discussed.

Bruce Bagin, chief of investigations for the Pittsburgh area office of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission will present the Wednesday program and will be one of the main conference participants on Thursday.

Franklin D. Cleckley, professor of law at West Virginia University, will be the keynote speaker for the conference.

According to Cheryl Lynne Connelly, acting affirmative action officer at Marshall, there will be no registration fee for Marshall faculty, staff and students. However, there will be a charge for anyone choosing to attend the luncheon and coffee breaks.

Marshall personnel who plan to attend should contact Ms. Connelly at 696-2311 or 696-2485 prior to the conference and workshop.

Self-care luncheon

“Understanding a Woman’s Menstrual Cycle” will be the topic for the Tuesday, Oct. 29, Self-Care Luncheon at 12:30 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center, room 2W37.

Jan Wilson, family nurse-practitioner with John Marshall Medical Services, will discuss prevention and treatments of PMS (pre-menstrual syndrome) and dysmenorrhea (painful menstruation).
Conference honors Dr. Blankenship

"Issues in Aging: A Family Focus" will be the title of the first Martha Lee Blankenship seminar which will be held on the campus of Marshall University Friday and Saturday, Oct. 25-26.

The program was named in honor of the late Dr. Martha Lee Blankenship who was a long-time member of the Marshall Home Economics Department and served as chairwoman of the first West Virginia Home Economics Professional Day.

A seminar, which will serve as this year's Home Economics Association Professional Day, will feature a program that has been designed to benefit professionals, paraprofessionals, students and lay persons.

The presentations will begin Friday with a panel on "Aging: A Variety of Definitions" at 9:15 a.m. in Old Main Auditorium. All other activities will take place in Memorial Student Center.

Participants will be able to choose from a variety of topics throughout the rest of the day.

The keynote speaker for the luncheon at 12:15 p.m. Friday will be Dr. Barbara Silverstone from the New York Association for the Blind, the Lighthouse, whose topic will be "The Aging Parent and Family."

The first presentation Saturday, Oct. 26, will begin at 9:15 a.m. when Dr. Gloria Barry, gerontology specialist from Temple University, presents "Interdisciplinary Approaches to Care Utilizing the Family Member."

The last major program of the conference will be held at 11:15 a.m. when Dr. Clyde Jensen, president of the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, will present a program entitled "The Miracle of Life."

The Marshall University School of Medicine has certified the program for eight credit hours in category one of the Physicians Recognition Award of the American Medical Association.

The program also is approved for continuing education units, nursing continuing education units, seven continuing education hours for West Virginia Home Administrators and home economics inservice credit.

To register for the seminar or obtain more information, contact the Marshall University Department of Home Economics at 696-2386 or 696-2356.

Rehearsals begin

The Marshall University Choral Union begins rehearsals Monday, Nov. 4, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in room 150 Smith Music Hall in preparation for performances of the Brahms "German Requiem" in Huntington and Charleston April 25-26.

Dr. Joseph E. Line, director of choral activities, is inviting all past members and new members to the first rehearsal and is encouraging local church choir members to join.

Choral Union is a large choral ensemble open to all interested singers in the Tri-State region. No auditions are required. Performances include oratorios, cantatas and other large works.

Rehearsals take place weekly on Monday evenings. For more information contact Dr. Line at the Marshall Music Department, 696-3117.

Art exhibition opens

"Inside Facades. . .," an exhibition of paintings, prints and drawings by Vicki Boatright, a candidate for the M.A. degree in art at Marshall, will open in the Birke Art Gallery Saturday, Oct. 26, and continue through Oct. 31.

Boatright, who received her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in painting from Marshall in 1984, will be honored at a reception in the Gallery, first floor Smith Hall, from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, Oct. 28.

Excused absences. . .

Absences have been excused by the respective college deans for the following:

OCT. 11-12 - Women's Volleyball Team
OCT. 18-19 - Soccer Team
OCT. 19 - Women's Cross Country Team
OCT. 24 - Marcia Casto, Lisa K. Icenhower, Hollis Dobreeff, Philip J. Lewis, Okey J. Napier, James Hawley, John Curtis, Theresa McCoy, Chad Scott, Gregory Smith, Chip Capehart, Amy Smith, Lee Anne Moir, Diana Crawford, Marsha Dille, Jane Boehm, Tom Shriver and Haydn Lloyd.