Walraven Announces Retirement

Dr. Wesley Walraven, vice president, has announced his retirement effective June 30. Dr. Walraven has 37 years of service in education in Georgia--23 of them at Floyd College.

Dr. Walraven taught in public schools before going to the newly opened Kennesaw Junior College in 1966 as chairman of the Division of Science and Math. In 1970 he was tapped by Dr. David McCorkle as dean of Floyd Junior College, which was to open later that year.

Coming in on the ground floor and having an opportunity to mold Floyd College into what it is today, Walraven has much to be proud of. "I had an impact in developing an unusual college, in that most of the people we hired to start the school have stayed," he said. "It is a real family atmosphere here. We are a team, working for students, and I hope that I had something to do with that.

"I would also like to recognize my wife, Linda, for her contribution to Floyd College. Her support at home and on the campus was critical during the formative years of the college."

"I am particularly proud of my influence in keeping the school student oriented," he continued. "I would most like to be remembered by the students I have come in contact with in the past 37 years. When you hear from a former student, it is positive reinforcement that you are doing a good job."

Dr. Walraven feels that Floyd College is off to a good start to a new era with its second president. "I think the crucial adjustment period is over and that the focus of Floyd College will remain on the students and potential students in our community."

President Cundiff said of Dr. Walraven, "He has been one of the leading visionaries in the state system of higher education. His loyalty and concern for Floyd College have served both students and citizens of Northwest Georgia well. His leadership will be difficult to replace."

Activities to honor Dr. Walraven as he leaves Floyd College are being planned by a committee headed by Harold Boyd, vice president for Student Affairs.

Tenure and Promotions Announced

Two faculty members have received tenure and five have been promoted according to Dr. Wesley Walraven, vice president.

Betty Bowman, assistant professor, Division of Nursing, and Glenn Singleton, assistant professor, Division of Business, have been given tenure. Ms. Bowman has been at Floyd College for six years, Mr. Singleton for seven.

Faculty promotions are as follows: Adrian Bowers from associate professor, Division of Social Science, to professor, Barbara Rees from associate professor, Division of Nursing, to professor, Amelia Billingsley from assistant professor, Division of Developmental Studies, to associate professor, Riley Evans from instructor, Division of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, to assistant professor, and Tim Green from instructor, Division of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, to assistant professor.
Folks

Phyllis N. Weatherly, director of Guidance Services, Paula M. Almond, counselor, Leslie Lunney, counselor, and Harold Boyd, vice president for Student Affairs, attended the Georgia College Personnel Association spring conference titled "From Ideas to Action: motivation, innovation, celebration" April 28-30.

Harold Boyd attended the Regents' Administrative Committee on Student Affairs meeting at Savannah State College, April 26-27. There was much discussion and a special session about recent court cases addressing speech codes.

Paula Almond attended the 1993 Student Success Course Workshop in Atlanta April 18-21.

Nanette Jaynes, assistant professor, developmental English, presented a paper titled "Self-Healing in Shakespeare's Sonnets" and responded to a paper given by L. L. Jacobs titled "Blood of the Gorgon: Women as Healers in Euripides and Shakespeare" at the annual Shakespeare Association of America conference held this year in Atlanta.

The VIPs (Visual Impulse Performers) performed three songs at Atlanta's Channel 11's open house to honor Deaf Awareness Day, Sunday, May 23. The performers are led by Mike Burton, assistant professor, Deaf Education.

Angela G. Stallings, of Lyerly, Georgia, a second-year nursing student, has received the United States Army Nurse Corps' annual "Spirit of Nursing" award. The award is presented to 350 top students from nursing schools in all 50 states. Ms. Stallings was among twelve students from schools in Georgia who were selected to receive the honor.

Dr. Mike Bailey, president of Bessimer State Technical College in Birmingham, Alabama, will bring a team of nine faculty, staff and administrators to campus June 8 for a four-hour tour of our facility. The team is looking toward collegiate accreditation and wants to see how other successful two-year colleges operate.

Floyd College was saddened this week by the death of Hal Reid, counselor. Contributions to help his family defray his medical expenses are being accepted in the Business Office.

Officers of the Floyd College Foundation elected at the annual meeting May 26 are: chairman, Mary Louise Lever, vice-chairman, Rich Hammond, secretary-treasurer, Lee Young, at-large, James Maddox, Jo Heyman, Mary Sib Banks, and Scott Bentley.

The annual Honors Assembly will be held Friday, June 4, at 7 p.m. in the gymnasium. Dr. Ken Weatherman, associate professor of Physical Education, will serve as master of ceremonies.

Graduation will be held Saturday, June 12, at 10 a.m. in the gymnasium. As previously announced, Senator Paul Coverdell will give the commencement address. New additions to the program include a President's Meritorious Award and a Faculty Meritorious Award.

Continuing Education courses scheduled to begin in the coming weeks include:

- Getting Started at Floyd College
- Real Estate Prelicensing Unit II
- Tae Kwon Do: The Korean Martial Art for Youngsters (ages 8-15)
- Tae Kwon Do: The Korean Martial Art (ages 16 and over)

For more information or to register for a course, call the Office of Continuing Education and Public Service at 295-6324.

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