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UMass-Boston Chorus To Present Dorchester Concert

The University of Massachusetts at Boston and St. Ambrose Church, Dorchester, are cosponsors of a concert to be presented by the UMass-Boston Chorus in the church on Adams Street, at Fields Corner, on Friday, December 5th at 8 p.m.

This unique church concert is a rarity in having a concert in a Dorchester church, if not in the Metropolitan area.

The chorus of 80-voices is directed by Lawrence Hill. The accompanist will be Martin Pearlman.

Rev. Leonard T. McGrath, Pastor of St. Ambrose Church, and Rev. James Rafferty, Chaplain at UMass-Boston, made the arrangements with the Chorus for the concert.

The program will include a Processional hymn by Lou Harrison; "Hodie Christus Natus Est" by J. P. Sweelinck; "Nanie" by Brahms; choruses from "Alice in Wonderland", and other presentations.

A donation of \$1 is being requested of the audience so that proceeds may be given to the Pine Street Inn in the South End, Rosie's Place, a Boston rehabilitation center, and to the U.S. Committee for Mother Theresa in Calcutta.

These three charities have been supported by student food marches for the past three years.

Recruitment of Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

The Search Committee has inaugurated a national search for a new Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. Suggestions and nominations from all for candidates both on and off campus are welcomed. Advertisements suggest a deadline of December 31, 1975, but the Committee would be glad to hear from you as soon as possible. Please mail nominations "c/o Search Committee for Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs". Chairman of the Committee is Dr. Philip Finkelpearl, English II.

Housing and Cities Lecture

Prof. Raymond Nasher, a Visiting Commonwealth Professor at the University of Mass., and a Visiting Fellow at Harvard University, will be speaking on Tuesday, November 25, at 12:45 in 2-1-208 on "Federal Housing Policy in the Cities." He will be concentrating his comments on the New Town concept.

Prof. Nasher is President of the Raymond Nasher Company - a real estate development and investment banking firm - which was intimately involved with the Fort Lincoln New Town project in Washington, D.C. and has serviced govern-

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ment in a number of capacities. He was a member of the President's Committee on the Urban Housing, (Kaiser Commission) in 1967-1968; the Advisory Committee on Urban Affairs to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Chairman of the National Commission on Urban Development, in 1964; among many others.

The session is sponsored by the Office of the Chancellor, and the Department of Political Economy. All are welcome to attend.

Social Factors and Mental Health

Dr. Bernard M. Kramer, Professor of Psychology in College II, recently attended a conference of the Social Science Research Council held in New York on the topic of "Research on Racism and Other Social Factors in Mental Health." Minority scholars presented progress reports on their work in this field. An evening session was devoted to the topic of research in intergroup relations in the past 25 years. Panelists presenting keynote papers in addition to Dr. Kramer were Bertram S. Brown, Director of the National Institute of Mental Health and Charles V. Wille, Professor of Sociology and Urban Studies at Harvard.

New Blackwell Volume Published

The Southern Education Foundation announced the publication of Access of Black Students to Graduate and Professional Schools by Dr. James E. Blackwell (Sociology-College I) on November 17th.

This volume grew out of research to determine the degree to which the decision in favor of the Plaintiff in *Brown v. Richardson* had improved equality of access for minority students to graduate and professional schools in the United States. Prof. Blackwell examined historical antecedents to *Brown v. Richardson*, current manpower shortages and needed human resources, the role of an important configuration of variables in increasing the number of trained professionals in the American black population. Specifically, he examined recruitment and admissions policies, programs and practices, financial aid, counseling services as related to enrollment patterns, trends and the production of black professionals.

Much of the data from the unpublished version of *Access* were used by the NAACP Legal, Education and Defense Fund in its brief filed on August 1, 1975 in which HEW and former Secretary Casper Weinberger were sued for not enforcing existing Civil Rights Legislation and judicial orders regarding equality of access to higher education.

Public Affairs Internships

On Wednesday, December 3 between 9 a. m. and 12 noon, a representative from the Coro Foundation will be available to talk with seniors who are interested in learning about the public affairs internships to be awarded for 1976-77 by the Foundation. The settings for the internships are in government, business, labor, the media, and in political and community organizations. Coro Fellows have the option of spending the summer following the nine-month internship at one of four universities in order to complete a Masters in Urban Studies. Descriptive material about the program is available in the Advising Office (Administration Bldg., Rm. 210).

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Faculty are requested to bring this to the attention of their students.

The Coro Foundation representative will be meeting with students in the Advising Office between 9 a. m. and 12 noon on Wednesday, December 3. Interested students should set up a meeting time as soon as possible in the Advising Office.

Program Evaluation

Dr. Kent Chabotar, Associate Professor of Management, College of Professional Studies, addressed two conferences on the topic of Program Evaluation. The first was in Madison, Wisconsin on Nov. 19, and was sponsored by the U.S. Civil Service Commission. The second was sponsored by the U.S. Law Enforcement Assistance Administration and was held in Denver, Colorado on Nov. 20. Dr. Chabotar has authored a book and several articles on evaluation, particularly of management training programs.

Kanter Speaks on Economic
Research

Prof. Sandra Kanter, College of Public and Community Service, appeared as part of a panel discussing fiscal policy at the New England Regional Conference of State and Local Alternative Economic Policies at UMass-Amherst last month, and was a panelist on "How Economic Research Can Aid State Programs for Economic Expansion" at the Annual New England Business Economic Development Conference also held at UMass-Amherst.

On November 8 with Ben Harrison, Associate Professor of Economics and Urban Studies at M. I. T. she delivered a paper on the "Political Economy of State Job Creating Tax Credits" at the Regional Science Association's Annual Meeting in Cambridge.

Prof. Kanter and Prof. Harrison are now finishing a paper called "State Business Incentives" which will be published (probably in the Spring) by the Institute for Policy Studies in Washington, D. C. It will be the first monograph published by IPS as part of its research on alternative state and local policies.

Anthropology Publication

Prof. Gerald Murray (Anthropology I) has published an article, "Haitian Bean Circuits: Cropping and Trading Maneuvers Among a Cash-oriented Peasantry," based on fieldwork done in a Haitian village. The article, which he co-authored with his wife Maria D. Alvarez, appeared in Working Papers in Haitian Society and Culture, Sidney W. Mintz, ed. (New Haven: Antilles Research Program, Yale University, 1975).

Portugal Reviewed

The European Studies Seminar of the College I History Dept. will present Prof. Susan Schneider on The Revolution in Portugal on Wednesday, December 3, at 12:30, College I, Room 4. Prof. Schneider will talk on eyewitness accounts of Portugal's civil strife.

An interesting note in passing: The 1975 Edition of Who's Who in America lists some 10 members of the College II faculty. They are David Landy, Anthropology; Alvan Ryan, English; Paul Gagnon, Richard Powers, and Louis Ruchames, History; R. J. Schork, Jr., Latin; Taffee Tanimoto, Mathematics; George Goodwin and Robert Steamer, Politics; and, Gordon Zahn, Sociology.

U N I T E D W A Y



During the past week over \$1200.00 has been pledged or contributed to the United Way fund drive at UMass-Boston so that we have now achieved nearly 64% of our \$9000.00 goal.

Can we make it?

We think so, if, --the more than 60 contributors to our 1974 fund drive, who have yet to contribute this year, would do so before the current campaign ends. Their participation would ensure the success of the 1975 fund drive.

Because of the necessity to raise the very maximum amount possible, the Massachusetts Bay United Way fund drive has been extended for two more weeks. The extended campaign gives each of us an opportunity to take stock of what we have already done and what we can still do in this most important community-wide endeavor.