April commencement: another beginning

An estimated 9,000 persons filled Fieldhouse April 19 for the university's winter semester commencement exercises. A total of more than 1,750 students received bachelor's, master's, specialist's or doctoral degrees. An estimated 1,350 of them actually participated in the ceremony.

The floor of the field house was overflowing with young — and not so young—men and women, dressed in the traditional black robes of academe. The mortar boards of some were festooned with sentiment, parting shots written in white tape on the black panels: "At Last," one said. "Thanks, Mom and Dad," said another.

One young man — Walter S. Polk of Detroit, who received a bachelor's degree in flight technology — wore a miniature airplane attached to his mortar board with a wire.

For the record, the university awarded 1,310 bachelor's degrees, 424 master's degrees, three specialist's degrees and 19 doctoral degrees on that bright, early spring day.

It was a time of bright dresses for women and pressed suits for men, some of them the parents of students who would be the first in their families to earn a college degree. Commencement, after all, means "a beginning;" it is the academic equivalent of the Easter Parade.

Many more than one graduate accepted a diploma cover from President John T. Bernhard or Trustees Chairman Maury E. Parfet and then raised it arm's-length toward the roof in a gesture of triumph and, for some, relief.

It was a great and tender moment, mixed at once with sadness, pride and promise. None of them would ever pass quite this way again.

Witnesses to the event included members of the administration, headed by President Bernhard; members of the Board of Trustees, headed by Mrs. Parfet; and emeritus trustees Alfred B. Connable, Dorothy Upholson Dalton and Philip N. Wattersen.

It was an important moment for others, as well. Three distinguished persons received honorary degrees and a fourth was recognized with the university's first Distinguished Service Award.

The honorary-degree recipients April 19 were Dr. Fred S. Keller, 81, of Aiken, S.C., a psychologist who retired in 1976 from Georgetown University and who had been a visiting or adjunct professor here between 1968 and 1973, community leader Duane L. Roberts, 63, of Kalamazoo, a 1950 graduate of the university who is employed by the U.S. Postal Service; and Dr. Myong E. Kim, professor emeritus of art.

The seal, adopted in 1957 at the time Western was designated a university, was designed by John G. Kemper, professor emeritus of art.

Washington, D.C. There he has worked with a national center for planned change in higher education and has pursued ISU requests for federal support.

Ehrle also has worked with Service Corps of Opportunities Colleges (SOC), an AASCU-sponsored project funded by the Department of Defense; SOC's 411 cooperating colleges and universities facilitate higher education opportunities for members of the armed forces. He has been redeveloping SOC's membership criteria to ensure a higher quality of programs.

He replaces Dr. Cornelius Loew, who resigned Dec. 31 to return to full-time teaching. Dr. Philip S. Densfeld, associate vice president for academic affairs, is serving as acting vice president.

Ehrle assumed his ISU vice presidency on July 1, 1976. Previously he was editor of the ISU Magazine.

The University has adopted a logo. The logo, or popular symbol, is best described as a contemporary configuration of the letters WMU, which is intended to stand for the university in a wide variety of situations.

"The new logo, whose uses include letterhead for all official university correspondence, does not replace the University seal," said Martin R. [Joe] Gage, executive assistant to the president. "The seal, however, will be reserved for use on official documents, such as diplomas, transcripts, certificates, legal documents and the like."

The seal, adopted in 1957 at the time Western was designated a university, was designed by John G. Kemper, professor emeritus of art.

The new logo is intended to serve as the touchstone of a university-wide identity program. "We want the logo to heighten the sense of community and to enhance the image of the university, not individuals, departments, areas or colleges—just the university," Gage explained.

The University Publications Office in the Information Services area developed the program.

The logo and guidelines for its use were approved by President John T. Bernhard, upon recommendation by the president's cabinet. The cabinet is made up of executive-level administrators, including the university's four vice presidents.

Elwood B. Ehrle named vice president for academic affairs

The appointment of Dr. Elwood B. Ehrle, 46, as vice president for academic affairs and as a tenured professor of biology was approved March 21 by the Board of Trustees, effective July 1.

Dr. Ehrle, vice president for academic affairs at Indiana State University (ISU), Terre Haute, but has been on special assignment since last August to the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) in

Canoe trip poses problem

Transportation from Kalamazoo to Eagle, Alaska, might pose a greater problem for two women students at Western than a proposed 1,400-mile canoe trip this summer on the Yukon River from the city of Eagle westward to the Bering Sea.

Pamela G. Torbico, 31, a graduate student from Farmington, and Beverly M. Feldpausch, 27, a Lansing senior, said difficulties keep cropping up as they work out details of the canoe trip, which they expect to begin on the river by June 30.

Feldpausch said the river expedition, planned to take 40 days, should not present any insurmountable obstacles for them and their Kevlar canoe, which is stronger than fiberglass and can be repaired with fiberglass and resin.

"There will be no portaging required," she said, "and there are only two sets of rapids and we can shoot them."

But the 3,000-mile auto trip to Alaska is their biggest concern. Feldpausch said, "I have a 1974 van which might not hold up over the rough roads between Dawson in Canada, where paved roads end, and Eagle. They cannot ship the customized canoe to Eagle by air because of possible damage in crating and transporting it," Torbico observed.

Dr. Elwood B. Ehrle

1,300 mile trip—Pamela G. Torbico of Farmington, a graduate student, left, and Beverly M. Feldpausch, a Lansing senior, both at Western, are shown on a practice training session on Woods Lake in Kalamazoo, preparing for a 1,400-mile trip down the Yukon River in Alaska, which was scheduled to begin about June 30. They will take 40 days to complete it. They believe they will be the first women to try the Yukon River journey alone.
An alumni luncheon will begin at 11:15 a.m. Kickoff time for the Homecoming football game is 1:00 p.m. The WMU Broncos will host the Falcons of Bowling Green State University. A number of colleges and departments are planning post-game receptions for their respective alumni. The WMU Alumni Association will host a dance in the University Student Center starting at 9:00 p.m. with Bob Davison's band providing the evening's musical entertainment. This "AFTERGLOW" is designed to provide returning alumni an opportunity to come together at day's end to visit with former classmates. All WMU alumni and friends are invited to return to campus for "BROWN AND GOLD ONWARD"! October 3-4, 1980. Details regarding Homecoming activities and reservation forms will appear in the August issue of The Westerner.

Homecoming Show
Mel Torme and Buddy Rich will perform together at Western's Miller Auditorium Homecoming Saturday, October 4. There will be one show at 8:00 p.m.

Vocalist Torme, a famous recording artist, has performed at major hotels and clubs in Las Vegas in recent years as well as starring in movies and television productions. "The drummer," Buddy Rich, has been a headliner with most of the big bands and the jazz at the Hollywood tours. Rich's 15-piece big band will join him and Torme for this WMU appearance. $8.00, $7.00 and $5.00 tickets are available by May 18 and may be purchased by phoning the Miller Auditorium ticket office (616) 383-0933. MasterCard and VISA are accepted.

Science for citizens grant announced

The National Science Foundation has awarded Western Michigan University a grant of $300,000 over the next three years to establish a Science for Citizens Office of the university's Institute of Public Affairs. The award was announced last month by U.S. Rep. Howard Wolpe, D-3rd District. "It is important for a university be involved in the needs of communities," he said. "It is very exciting by the potential this award represents." "We are extremely pleased that Western will be able to provide yet another outstanding service to the people of Michigan," said Maury E. Parfit, chairman of the Board of Trustees. "We look forward to contributions that will benefit many citizens from this new partnership with NSF."

The center, which was planned with another NSF grant of about $25,000, will serve citizens in the 15-county region throughout Southwest Michigan. It will help make policy decisions and solve problems involving science and technology by bringing scientific and professional expertise to communities in the surrounding 15 counties.

The 15 counties to be served by the center includes Allegan, Barry, Berrien, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Eaton, Hillsdale, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Kent, Muskegon, Ottawa, St. Joseph and Van Buren.

The center at Western is one of only five such centers in the country to be established with an NSF grant, said Dr. Robert W. Kauffman, professor of political science and director of the center. Dr. Jack Wood, professor of biomedical sciences, is the associate director.

Spring enrollment up

Spring session enrollment totals 8,707, which is up 4.2 percent or 354 students over a year ago, according to Registrar Dennis Boyle.

He believes part of the reason for the substantial increase is the difficulty students are experiencing trying to locate summer jobs and the decision of many seniors to beat an anticipated tuition increase next fall.

Honorary degrees presented.

Right: World-renowned anthropologist Mary D. Leakey received an honorary degree from the university in February, recognizing her significant contributions to an understanding of man's origin. With Mrs. Leakey is J. Michael Korg, vice chairman of the Board of Trustees. Mrs. Leakey helped discover evidence of 3.6 million-year-old hominid ancestors to mankind in East Africa.

Right: Jay Van Andel (right), chairman of the Amway Corp., received an honorary degree from the university in ceremonies in April at the annual meeting of the Kalamazoo County Chamber of Commerce. Van Andel, who also is chairman of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, is here presented with the degree by President John T. Berndt and Trustee Mildred Johnson of Muskegon.
April commencement (continued from page 1)

Won Suhr, 60, who has been president of Chungnam National University in Korea since 1977.

Jay Van Andel, 55, chairman of the Amway Corp., Ada, Mich., received an honorary degree from Western April 14 in a ceremony at the annual meeting of the Kalamazoo County Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Yousef Alavi, professor of mathematics, was presented with a plaque and an honorary of $1,000 as the recipient of the university's first Distinguished Service Award. The award, established by President John T. Bernhard and administered by a committee headed this year by Dr. Visho B. Sharma, is intended to recognize significant contribution to the university and larger community by a faculty or staff member. Alavi has been on the faculty at Western since 1958.

The entire ceremony, which lasted about an hour and forty-five minutes, had the musical emphasis of the Symphonic Band under the direction of Dr. Richard D. Suddendorf, professor of music. The invocation was given by the Rev. Roger E. Geeley, minister of the People's Church in Kalamazoo.

Honorary degree recipients—preparing to participate in April 19 commencement exercises, from left, Maury F. Forbes, chairman of the Board of Trustees, honorary-degree recipients Dr. Fred S. Keller, Duane L. Roberts and Dr. Myong Won Suhr; and President John T. Bernhard.

Board names department chair

Dr. Eugene M. Bernstein, professor of physics and head of the Van de Graaff Accelerator Laboratory at Western, has been named Department of Physics chairperson by the Board of Trustees. He joined the faculty in 1968 after teaching at the University of Texas, the University of Wisconsin and Duke University. Bernstein received B.S., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Duke in 1953, 1954 and 1956, respectively.

He is an elected fellow of the American Physical Society, a member of Phi Beta Kappa, scholar, Honorary of Science and has been an investigator on research grants valued at more than $73,000 awarded to the university in the past 10 years. Bernstein is the author of more than 55 research papers published in scientific journals. Bernstein also is author of a book on effective July 1, replaces Dr. Larry D. Oppinger, who will return to teaching.

Ehrle named to academic affairs post (continued from page 1)

Farr left: Walter S. Pols, bachelor's in flight technology.

Left: Dr. Yousef Alavi, (left) professor of mathematics, was presented with the university's first Distinguished Service Award during commencement April 19. With him here is President John T. Bernhard. The award recognizes exceptional service to the university and the larger academic community.

Ehrle named to academic affairs post

Dr. Myong Won Suhr
President
Chungnam National University, Korea

Yuans L. Roberts
Community Leader

Dr. Fred S. Keller
Psychologist

Remarks made by honorary-degree recipients

Here are some excerpts of remarks by honorary-degree recipients who participated in winter semester commencement exercises April 19 in Read Field House.

I have been a letter carrier for about 30 years. It is a blue collar job. I have received a great deal of satisfaction from it. Because of the economic condition and because of other factors, many of you may not get the positions you have trained for. So let me suggest that, if this happiness you try and find that kind of work that will give you satisfaction.

We are now in a period when the values we once held are losing their standing. We see a loss of faith in government, in the family, in personal relationships, in the world of work, in religion and in education. With all these changes, one may ask, 'What can I do?' and give up and do nothing.

I reply that one person can make a difference—by example, by living his or her life, each person can make a difference.

To live is to function. That is all there is to living. And so I end with a line from a Latin poet who uttered the message more than 500 years ago. "Death plucks my ears and says live—I am coming."

Dr. Myong Won Suhr
President
Chungnam National University, Korea

Our globe is shrinking, and therefore, it is becoming more complex everyday. Unless mankind learns how to live peacefully, with understanding and cooperation, human civilization might perish within a few years. There cannot be East or West. Unfortunately, however, we do not yet fully understand each other.

Eastern nations are now struggling very hard for social and economic development. Naturally, we are learning or copying Western civilization, especially its science and technology. Unfortunately, however, Western civilization is misinterpreted as material culture in spite of its highly spiritual and humane nature. Unless we, the Eastern people, fully understand this basic core of Western civilization, it will be impossible to develop our nations. Your love of veritas, rather than mere knowledge and skills, should be imported to all.

Through my limited experience in the United States as a student, research scholar and visiting professor, I have found that, in spite of apparent differences between the East and West, there are no fundamental differences in human nature.

The university in any nation is, or should be, an idea-polis and value-creating institution. Through the exchange of professors and students between our two universities, not only mutual academic advance ment may be achieved, but also better East-West understanding, which is sine qua non for global progress and world peace.
in career than Fred Orlofsky, who started the funds raised through its gymnastics school. Gymnastics has had its most rapid growth during the 70's. A large percentage of its popularity is due in part to the superb television coverage of championship events and the Olympic Games. Many sports fans will not easily forget the tiny, 4' 11" 84 pounder who won the hearts of millions of TV viewers during the 1972 Munich Olympics. Who could have predicted that a 17-year-old Russian named Olga Korbut could have had such a positive effect on the popularity of a sport? What probably caught the public was not what she had accomplished, but what she failed to do. During the early part of the competition, an unfortunate error in her uneven bars routine caused her to lose all chances of winning a medal in the all around event. As the TV camera moved in, disappointment was evident as tears rolled down her cheeks. Everyone who saw the performance was emotionally moved by her misfortunes. She became an instant heroine. In the individual event finals, the crowd cheered her every move and booed their disapproval if the judges underscored her. She eventually won four medals, three gold and one silver, in the very event she had missed earlier in the week. Young girls could identify with her. All had the potential to become another Olga.

After the 1972 Olympic Games the Soviets toured the United States and other parts of the world highlighting Olga. Every show was a sellout, further increasing the popularity of gymnastics. Four years later at the 1976 Montreal Olympics, all eyes were again focused on gymnastics and Olga, but the impact was different. Olga had a series of injuries and she was four years older. She met her match as a young 14-year-old Romanian named Nadia Comaneci thrilled the fans with a perfect 10.0, the first ever in Olympic competition. In all Nadia recorded six perfect marks and won five medals, three gold, one silver, and one bronze. A new gymnastic queen was born. Since that time, television has covered many of the major gymnastics events around the world. It is one of the most popular events observed by the viewers. Gymnastics Training in the U.S. As a result of Olga's popularity and the televising of the Olympics, the gymnastics boom had begun. Gymnastics clubs throughout the country found they had long waiting lists of girls wanting to learn. Many new clubs and organizations opened to meet the demand. Children from 6 to 16 had dreams of being an Olympic gymnast.

Now most of the early training and development of young girls in the U.S. comes through the various private gymnastic clubs. High school programs throughout the country are also growing by leaps and bounds. At the recent World Championships the average age of the U.S. women was 16 years of age. The life of the elite woman gymnast begins early and is short lived, however. The women's events are designed to highlight grace rather than upper body strength, one reason they can adapt to it at such a young age. In contrast, the men do not start world class gymnastic competition as early as the women. They mature later and peak while they are in college or beyond. The greatest problem seems to be keeping their interest and training level up after they graduate from college. If the male gymnast is able to do postgraduate work, this is to his advantage.

U.S. Involvement in Gymnastics Gymnastics is not a new sport in the United States. Only recently has it received its just publicity. Since the beginning of the Modern Olympic Games movement, the United States has fielded a team. Its earliest growth was through the influx to our country of Western Europeans with a strong German or Czechoslovakian background who started American branches of their native Turverein or Sokol organizations. The most successful Olympics for our men's team was at the 1932 games. This was the last time we were to win any gymnastic gold medals. Until recently, the best performance by a United States team was a fifth place finish at the 1960 Rome Olympics. Our strongest competition has come mainly from Japan and Russia in the men's competition and from Russia and Rumania in the women's. Since 1960 Japan dominated the sport, but in the early and mid-70's the most
popular male performer was Nikolai Andrianov from Russia. In 1979 the Soviets finally dethroned the Japanese at the XX World Championships held in Fort Worth. At the same competition, the Rumanian women won the team competition, which had been dominated by the Russian women since 1952.

The only international competition our earlier teams had was the World Championships and the Olympic Games, alternating every two years. The main reason was the lack of financial support in our country compared to the government subsidies to athletes in Eastern European countries.

One of the major reasons for recent successes in our U.S. programs has been the sponsorship by various companies. In 1977 the makers of Dial soap signed a three-year contract worth a million dollars with the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. This money has been used to help pay for training camps, expenses for transporting competitors to competitions, foreign travel, and staging international meets. Our junior and "B" teams have had more opportunities to compete internationally than ever before.

Opportunities to compete internationally have kept our "grass roots" program growing. This is of prime importance for future successes. The final goal has been to prepare the strongest U.S. team ever for the Moscow Olympics.

It was not until the 1978 World Championships held in Strasbourg, France, that the United States emerged as a world power. Kurt Thomas won the gold medal in the floor exercise to claim the first title won by a U.S. gymnast in the World or Olympic events since 1932. Also in France, 15-year-old Marcia Frederick defeated Nadia to win the gold on the uneven bars. In 1979 the Soviet Union finally dethroned the Japanese at the XX World Championships held in Fort Worth. At the same competition, the Rumanian women won the team competition, which had been dominated by the Russian women since 1952.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.

In light of our current political situation, however, these dreams may never come true this year for the U.S. gymnastics team. The hard working, dedicated athletes and the fine direction of our coaches under the U.S. Gymnastic Federation. Perhaps the next king and queen will be from the United States.
Perhaps the most prominent woman ever to walk the Western Michigan campus on a regular basis, Miss Lydia Siedschlag, died May 6.

A graduate in the class of 1915, Miss Siedschlag returned to the faculty in 1921, became head of the art department, and spent the next 49 years teaching, writing, and to become visually creative.

Her reputation was secure in the classroom, but in the late 1930s as new buildings began to rise on the campus, she was asked by President Paul V. Sangren to become the interior decorator for the school, and the impact of her facile mind then touched many thousands of students, faculty, staff, and visitors to the campus.

With a tiny budget and a large storage room, Miss Siedschlag planned for each building or area, selected the materials to use in buildings not yet constructed, and what she turned to students for many ideas that could be coming due in time. Her contacts in the art world around the globe made available to her many choice pieces.

And when she couldn’t find just what she needed for that extra touch, she turned to students for many fine pieces—stained glass windows, pew carvings, etched panels, paintings, drawings, etc. She herself turned designer, as she overnight created the special effect needed for the carpeting originally placed in the lounge of Davis Hall.

Miss Siedschlag had a unique talent for searching out unusual objects, and she firmly believed that art should be out where all could enjoy it, rather than stuck away in museums to gather dust.

Her special contribution to the life of Western for more than half a century was acknowledged while she was at the height of her creative work, as Siedschlag Hall, a residence hall for women, was named for her in 1949. She always had a special affection for the coeds who lived there, and many of them were the beneficiaries of her culinary talents, as well.

Miss Siedschlag was an ambassador for good art, good design, and for Western Michigan University whenever she traveled in Michigan, across the nation, and to England, Nigeria, Egypt, and Japan.

Funeral services were appropriately conducted in Kalamazoo Memorial Chapel, now ringed by the stained glass windows which she inspired. It is the only such collection in the world in which the designs were done by university students, under the guidance of Miss Hazel Paden, and then were created and installed by the master glass craftsmen of the Willett Studios in Philadelphia.

Only a year, almost to the day before, the final installation of windows had been completed. In 1960 when the "Hymn of Praise" windows over the narthex were dedicated, Henry Lee Willett called Miss Siedschlag "a sensitive and creative soul.

Services were led May 9 by the Rev. Dr. David McShane of the First Presbyterian Church, with remarks by Dr. Paul Maier, professor of history and Lutheran Student Pastor; President John Bernhard, and Miss Gwen Frostic BA '37. Doctor of Human Letters will be conferred on Mrs. Kathryn Loew as the organist. Memorial gifts for the Lydia Siedschlag Memorial Fund may be sent to the Western Michigan University Foundation, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49008.
Phonathon sets record pledges

Two-hundred and 40 WMU volunteers—emetics, students, alumni and faculty—launched Western's 1980 Phonathon campaign. A pledge drive time record of $22,634 in pledges collected during the month of February. Pledges included financial support for Western's scholarship and loan funds, departmental and college programs, as well as unrestricted support. Volunteer phonathon workers contacted 2,289 Western alumni and friends over the four-week period.

The largest pledge total by a student group was recorded by the Business Management Club which won a $200 grand prize and the traveling "Big Talker" trophy for 1980. Individual "Big Talker" grand prize went to Joseph S. Daly, a Wyandotte junior, who won $75. The $25 second place award winner was Karen M. Koliba, a Warren senior.

"Our volunteers really worked hard to set this phonathon record," stated Dorothy Mortimore, Assistant Annual Fund Director and Phonathon Coordinator.

"I want to sincerely congratulate all our participants for their efforts on behalf of Western." "Phonathons are important for many reasons," Mortimore said. "They provide an opportunity for alumni contact with today's students, whom they are helping to educate and attract to the alumni gifts. The excellent results of this phonathon would have been impossible without the active participation and support of hundreds of alumni who volunteered their time or made a thoughtful pledge." 

First dean of General Studies dies

Dr. Robert M. Limpus, 72, first dean of the College of General Studies, died March 10 in Kalamazoo.

He came to Western as an associate professor of English in 1947, and held a variety of teaching and administrative posts before heading up the new college. He held this position until June 1972, when he returned to the classroom, before retiring that November as professor emeritus of humanities.

Limpus was educated at Northwestern University, and took his advanced degrees at the University of Chicago. Before joining Western's faculty he had taught at Michigan State and Eastern Michigan Universities, and Muskingum College, as well as serving in the Army Air Corps in WWII.

He leaves his wife and two daughters.

1955 class sets reunion

A Silver Anniversary Reunion will be held on Friday evening, October 3, in Kalamazoo for 1955 graduates.

A committee of 1955 class members is currently being formed to advise the WMU Alumni Office on reunion details. Information regarding the upcoming reunion will be mailed to all class members later this month. 1955 graduates interested in serving on the reunion committee should contact the alumni office.

Wepman receives alumni award

Dr. Joseph M. Wepman of Palm Springs, Calif., has received a Distinguished Alumni Award.

A 1931 graduate, Wepman has been cited as one of the first scientists to recognize the need for comprehensive rehabilitation in the field of aphasia. He organized and developed the Language Modalities Test for Aphasia and the Wepman Auditory Discrimination Test.

In addition to a bachelor's degree in speech from Western, Wepman received a Ph.D. degree from the University of Wisconsin and Ph.D. from the University of Chicago.

Thomas G. Tallman, Tuskin, Calif., executive committee member of the WMU Alumni Association, made the presentation to Wepman at the gathering of WMU alumni from Southern California in February.

Wepman and his wife, Ruth, live at 2480 Durango Circle, Palm Springs, Calif.

Buszek: the berry connection books author

These students were part of the 240 volunteers who participated in the February phonathon.

There is no apparent connection between psychology and cranberries, but Beatrice Ross Buszek has formed a one—and it also extends to blueberries.

From her days as an undergraduate at Western, RA 62, then a mother with three small children, she has progressed to a doctoral candidacy and the successful authoring of two specialty books, "The Cranberry Connection" and "The Blueberry Connection." Both are filled with the lore of their respective berries and collections of hundreds of recipes.

When not traveling, studying, or writing, Beatrice can be found at Cranberry Cottage, Granville Ferry, Nova Scotia. This spring she has been in Massachusetts while completing research for a third book, about Loyalist women who were exiled to Nova Scotia during the American Revolution.

Last February The Reader's Digest published a condensation of her first book under the title, "Rubies of the Bog."

Today she has praise for the Western Michigan University of the early 60s, as "open and sensitive to the peculiar needs and circumstances of the more mature adult seeking reentry into higher education."

Beatrice also says that "women today need models and do not have many models in my age group." She has found it a very humbling experience that "so many now confide in me via the medium of the berry books."

In one week her correspondence came from the Northwest Territory, Labrador, Saanich, CA, and Duxbury, MA. "They keep writing," she says. "I have hundreds of letters about their hopes and dreams, sharing with me things they have never voiced before."

"I find it fascinating as a social psychologist and recognize the message; i.e., many women are just now taking a hard look at their lives and trying to find the courage to deal with what they see."

French historical novel published

"Destiny's Daughter," an historical novel by Dr. Frances E. Noble, professor emerita of French, was published in March.

As might be suspected, the novel is set in France, and deals with the religious wars at the time of Catherine de Medicis.

Noble now divides her time between Kalamazoo and Ft. Lauderdale, FL. She was a member of the faculty from 1951 until 1971.

Her publisher is Belmont Tower.

Annual Report Correction

WMU's Annual Fund apologizes for the following error appearing in its Western Michigan University Foundation 1979 Annual Report and Honor Roll of Contributors:

Omitted from the Memorial Gift listing on page 31 were Dr. and Mrs. Robert B. Stewart.

$5,000 Gift to WMU—Pictured from left are H. R. Klein, turbocenther and emission systems engineer manager with the Ford Motor Co., Dearborn, presenting a $5,000 check to Western for the College of Applied Sciences engineering division and accepted by Dr. Harley D. Behm, transportation technology chairman. The gift will be used for programs to encourage and assist women and minority students to enroll in the engineering curriculum here.
Perry has 'hand-in-glove' careers: librarian and author

Margaret Perry says that even if she suddenly came upon a million dollars, she would probably continue her work as a librarian. "When I walk into a library, it's like putting a hand into a glove."

As the assistant director of libraries for reader services of Rush Rhees Library at the University of Rochester, Ms. Perry administers eight departments employing approximately 60 people. That in itself provides ample tasks to fill her day. But she has never been one to stop working when she leaves the office.

"My job actually motivates me to work harder at my other interests," she says. Although she has "always" worked as a librarian, she had found time to teach Afro-American literature and write three books and numerous articles and short stories.

In Silence to the Drums, Ms. Perry's latest book, she explores a period of black literature termed the Harlem Renaissance. This black Renaissance, for which Harlem was the symbolic capital, encompassed the years 1919 to 1932. The book describes the social environment after World War I and the 1919 race riots that saw such organizations as the NAACP and the Urban League emerge.

Since coming to UR in 1970 as head of the Rush Rhees education library, she has served, concurrently with her library duties, as an assistant professor of both English and education, and presently holds the rank of associate professor of English. She was promoted to her present position in April of 1975. In September of 1976, in addition to her position as head of the Reader Services Division, she was named the acting director of libraries. She held this position until 30 November 1977 when the new director of libraries arrived.

Next to writing, Ms. Perry considers music her main interest. She has performed as a violist for the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra, and minoried in music as an undergraduate at Western Michigan University.

Another "great love" of hers is writing short stories, she says. "I think of myself as primarily a short story writer, and I plan to concentrate on that literary form this year."

After concentrating on short story writing, she would like to eventually do a book on Walt Whitman's influence on black writers. It is also possible that she might do a book on the history of the Afro-American short story. In the meantime, she is currently working on her fourth book: An Annotated Bibliography of the Harlem Renaissance, to be published by Garland Publishing Company. The book is due at the publishers at the end of August, 1980, and will probably appear in print in the spring of 1981.

"America in crisis"—Michigan Gov. William G. Milliken, second from left, was the keynote speaker at "America in Crisis—the Kalamazoo Dimension." a three-day public symposium organized by the university's Institute of Government and Politics. With Milliken after his remarks in Shaw Theatre were, from left, President John T. Benthall, Kalamazoo Mayor Edward Ammen Jr. and Dr. Lawrence Ziring, professor of political science and director of the institute. "If America is to pass successfully through this current crisis," Milliken said in his address, "we certainly will need many skills and a great deal of knowledge. But we will need one thing even more. We will need character."

Margaret Perry

New Life Members
WMU Alumni Association

Chin-Chao Lii, MA '77, Tokyo, Japan; Scott Schallon, BBA '78, Kalamazoo; Sue Boughner White, BA '67, Redmond, WA; Gregory L. Bai, BA '78, Madison Heights; James Bauschke, BS '72, and Jane Arkins Bauschke, Kalamazoo; D. Ethel Perry Eaton, BA '30, Kalamazoo; Eugene B. Farmum, MFA '78, East Lansing; Richard Frezzer, BS '72, MFA '79, Southfield; Ray Ivey, '61, Pittsburgh, PA; Ruth Grover Kreager, BA '64, Bay City; Kalamazoo; Dale Kutchey, BS '69, MA '71; Pontiac; Clarence Maurer, BS '57, and Ethel Maurer, Livonia; James P. Mouw, MSL '78, Forest City, NC; James R. Spiekerman, BS '78, Reese; Melvin L. Stephenson, MBA '78, Walled Lake; Robert Sirota, BBA '63, and Nancy Wade Sirota, BS '62, Union Lake; Robert White, BBA '38, MBA '67, Portage; Thomas Zabel, BA '78, MS '78, and Michelle L. Zabel, Seagoville, TX; Candace Bross, BBA '77, St. Petersburg, FL; Claudia Marie Francisco, BS '78, South Haven; Randi D. Harris, BBA '78, Detroit; James D. McCormick, BS '74, Rexton, VA; Elizabeth Hobin Porte, BS '75, Dearborn Heights; Ethel Lyttle Price, BS '67, Muskegon; Gerhard Weidlich, BBA '78, Union Lake, Paul Jorgensen, BS '75, and Ann Teman Jorgensen, BS '75, Greenville; Philip Smith, BBA '77, and Jeanne Wenzel Smith, BA '77, Portage; Michael Williams, BBA '78, and Dennis Price Williams, BS '78, Portage.

ABE council installs Sutton

One of the great gifts to all those mankind certainly was the decision of the late Homer H. Stryker to desert the teaching profession for that of orthopedic surgery.

As he established an outstanding reputation as a surgeon, his inventive mind was also turning to the development of various devices to make the work of the surgeon easier, the recovery of the patient faster. In his prime, Dr. Stryker was a moving figure in the community, rushed to doctors and patients around the world.

Finally, he formed the Stryker Frame Company to serve as the manufacturing agency for the ideas he was developing: rubber heels for walking casts, electric cast and bone saws, the turning frame and the Circolectric bed. All gave considerable relief to patients and were always an aid to their physical and psychological recovery.

In his prime, Dr. Stryker was a moving figure in the community, rushed yet relaxed, usually with a broad smile on his face, willingness to give of himself and his talents at any time for the greater good.

In 1970 he was honored by Western Michigan University as a "Distinguish ed Alumnus."

Homer H. Stryker, surgeon/inventor, dies

Say Pard'ner!

The call is out for all WMU cowboys and cowgirls to meet in Bronco Country at Waldo Stadium, Saturday, September 6, at 1:00 p.m. You are all asked to wear your western best (boots, hats, denims, etc.), and don't forget something Brown and Gold.

Many activities and just good old fashioned fun is planned for this weekend. So remember:

WESTERN DAY • Saturday, September 6, 1980
WMU vs EMU Football Game • 1:00 p.m. • Waldo Stadium
More details will be coming in the next issue of The Westerner.

Homer H. Stryker, surgeon/inventor, dies

Perry has 'hand-in-glove' careers: librarian and author

Say Pard'ner!

The call is out for all WMU cowboys and cowgirls to meet in Bronco Country at Waldo Stadium, Saturday, September 6, at 1:00 p.m. You are all asked to wear your western best (boots, hats, denims, etc.), and don't forget something Brown and Gold.

Many activities and just good old fashioned fun is planned for this weekend. So remember:

WESTERN DAY • Saturday, September 6, 1980
WMU vs EMU Football Game • 1:00 p.m. • Waldo Stadium
More details will be coming in the next issue of The Westerner.
1934

Maurice Weed, AB '34, reports recent perfor-
mances of his works, "Serenity," for chamber orchestra, and "Symphonic breve" by the Asheville, NC, Symphony, and "Jesus Is Come," a Christmas carol, by the Western Carolina Community Choir. He resides in Waynesville, NC.

1939

Dale Clark, BS '39, a Reed City High School coach, has spent 34 years as a teacher and coach, has been named to the Michigan Coaches Hall of Fame. He coached track for 39 years, from 1941 to 1970; football and basketball from 1941 to 1969; and 15 years of cross country.

1940

John Linden, BS '40, has been teaching art in the Midland school system for nearly 40 years. Linden, who will soon retire, started his art career as a commercial artist.

1942

Dr. Kenneth W. Prescott, BS '42, chairman of the department of art at the University of Texas, Austin, represented WMY at the inaugural ceremonies for the new president of Trinity University, San Antonio, in February.

1943

William Kerosen, BA '43, is president of Risk Treatment Services of Colorado and was recently named president of Risk Treatment Services of Bermuda. He is also president of the Hanoncean Insurance Company of Bermuda. He divides his time between his own hospital, which he operates in South Carolina, and his home in Bermuda, where he is headquartered at Hamilton.

1944

Barbara Wilson, BS '44, was named the coordinator for Battle Creek's Frequentisional activities. She also serves on the Historic District Commission, studying structures of historic or architectural significance in Battle Creek.

1947

Ralph LeBlanc, BS '47, a retired Newberg teacher who spent 32 years coaching high school football, was appointed to the Michigan High School Coaches Hall of Fame in March. He began his career at Vestaburg and ended it at Newaygo.

1950

Roger Semrau, BS '50, was named Crower of the Year by the Michigan State Florists Association. He grows a variety of flowering plants in his greenhouse in Armstrong, MI. Roger's wife is Bonnie Schraar Semrau, BS '49.

1951

David Freemon, BS '51, is a U.S. Coast Guard commander and a highly skilled computer engineer at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola. Freemon is the commanding officer of the cutter Suisun, homeported in Kodiak, Alaska. After three days of efforts, the Suisun's crew tried one ship from the ice, and a week later, the other ship was broken free of the ice.

1952

Kenneth Dyer, BS '52, was appointed superintendent of the Bath public schools. He is formerly superintendent of Newaygo City schools.

1953

Barbara Skrobak, BS '53, has taught kindergarten and second grade at Lincoln Elementary School, where she graduated from. She currently teaches in Traverse City, where she and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. William Skrobak, have been married for 17 years.

1954

Allen Anderson, BS '54, MA '56, and his brother, Jack, BS '56, MA '63, have been grade school principals in the Manistee school district for a total of 34 years. Allen, the elder, has been serving as Lincoln School's principal for 22 years, while Jack has been at Wilson School for almost 15 years.

1955

Barbara Skrobak, BS '53, has taught kindergarten and second grade at Lincoln Elementary School, where she graduated from. She currently teaches in Traverse City, where she and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. William Skrobak, have been married for 17 years.

1956

Robert Bradley, BS '56, MA '57, was nominated for the Kansas Master Teacher Award. Bradley has been teaching English at Allegan High School since 1938. He teaches mathematics at Illinois State University.

1957

Clint Heyd, BS '57, retired after more than 28 years of teaching at Baldwin High School, and was honored by the Student Council of the National Honor Society. He is the father of four children and 15 fellow staff members during a special retirement program.

1958

Donald Carlson, BS '58, was appointed corporate director of executive development at General Dynamics Corporate headquarters in St. Louis, MO. He joined General Dynamics in 1959 as a technical aide at the Electric Boat Division, and served for 11 years in a variety of management positions. Since then, he has been responsible for all financial and management relations at the company's Pomona Division.

1959

The Hon. Ronald Taylor, BS '59, was elected to a two-year term as mayor of the Berrien Township Court. He is presently serving his second term, and began his term in 1974.

1960

Raymond Clark, BA '60, MA '63, has been appointed to the advisory board of Home Bank and Trust Company.

1961

Judith Wise, BA '61, MA '71, is currently the director of field services and volunteer development with the Michigan Trails Girl Scout Council in Grand Rapids. In the past, she has served on the faculty at Indiana University South, Terre Haute, Ohio University and at the University of Wisconsin. Oshkosh, where she has taught fieldwork and counseling.

1962

Wilford A. Burdik, BS '62, is the executive director of the Delta Upland Frater 
nomy and serves as editor of the DU Quarterly with offices in Indianapolis.

1963

Larry Wirtz, BS '63, of the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Illinois, has been named a Fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Wirtz is also a member of the National Academy of Engineering and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

1964

Charles Wellington, BS '64, MBA '68, was appointed to the assistant vice president at the East Michigan National Bank and Trust Company. He joined FMB in 1977 as a comptroller.

1965

Richard Fulke, MBA '65, was appointed to the assistant vice president at the First National Bank and Trust Company in Grand Rapids. He is formerly director of community affairs and urban development at the Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce.

1966

Maurice Weed, AB '66, reports on issues of concern to home economics educators and keeps the editors informed of local trends in home economics.

1967

Len Anderson, BS '67, has been named the director of field services and volunteer development with the Michigan Trails Girl Scout Council in Grand Rapids. In the past, she has served on the faculty at Indiana University South, Terre Haute, Ohio University and at the University of Wisconsin. Oshkosh, where she has taught fieldwork and counseling.

1968

A. Butler, BS '68, is a home economics teacher at Franklin High School, has been named the advisory board of Home Economics magazine. She reports on issues of concern to home economics educators and keeps the editors informed of local trends in home economics.

1969

John Stoner, MS '69, was appointed the general manager for business services for Michigan Bell. He comes to the firm from Lifetime, Inc., where he served as a consultant. He has also served several years in the military, and has consulted with Philips Consulting.

1970

William Temple, BS '70, received a doctoral degree from Wayne State University.

1971

LaVerne Hill, BS '71, teaches and coaches at Mansfield Elementary School, and his wife Margaret, have three children.

1972

Ken Mcairy, BBA '72, MBA '76, was chosen as chairman of the Council of the Michigan State University Foundation. He is presently a member of the council.

1973

Gene Miller, BS '73, MBA '74, was appointed as the director of the Michigan State University Foundation. He is presently a member of the council.

1974

Bill Jeffrey, BS '74, is a Des Plaines, IL, consulting firm that specializes in employee relations. He advises employers on all matters of personnel administration and they are recognized as pioneers in the field of industrial relations.

1975

Sherri Simon, BS '75, teaches seventh grade English and senior high German in Three Rivers.

1976

Stuart Miller, BS '76, MBA '78, was appointed the executive director of the Kent County Chamber of Commerce. He is presently a member of the council.

1977

Joan Hickerson, BS '77, MBA '78, was appointed as a regional director for the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Vocational Rehabilitation. She is currently a field representative for the U.S. Department of Education.

1978

William D. Rice, BS '78, MBA '79, was appointed as the director of the Kent County Chamber of Commerce. He is presently a member of the council.

1979

Dr. Janet Branch, BS '79, was appointed acting dean of the School of Education and Technology.
John Hartman, '66

Patrick Decker, '68

John Yellick, '68

Jojo Fowzer, '67

Carson E. Love, '67

David Keeler, MBA '67, was promoted to manager of employment for the western United States of America, United Airlines. He has been with United since 1966.

Allan Bellward, BBA '71, MBA '78, was promoted to vice president and director of marketing at the First National Bank Corporation, Kalamazoo.

Carol Upham, BBA '79, MBA '82, was appointed to the special projects division of the First National Bank Corporation. He started his career with Eaton as a foreman, became an industrial engineer and was most recently general foreman for the Flint Plant.

Bob Sabourin, MA '76, was elected to the special education and early childhood team at the University of Michigan. He has been active in various capacities at the Flint Community Schools, where he also served as an assistant principal for the Flint and the Flint Community School Corporation.

Tom Jennings, BA '89, graduated from the Thomas M. Cooley Law School. While at Cooley he received the American Jurisprudence Award for excellence in administrative law, and besides his legal work, worked as a clerk for a Lansing law firm.

Jerry Collins, '69, was promoted to manager of claims for the State of Michigan. John Nordberg, BBA '68, was formerly a sales representative for Amtrak in the Ottawa area. He has been recently appointed to the special projects division of the First National Bank Corporation.

David Moore, BBA '69, was promoted to president of the Flint Community School Corporation. He has been a senior director and appliance design, appliance design, appliance design manager of the Flint and the Flint Community School Corporation.

Ronald Nettles, '69, was appointed to the special projects division of the First National Bank Corporation. He was formerly a sales representative for Amtrak and a teacher at the Perinton School.

Steve Broome, '70

Barbara Huber, MA '70, is currently president of the Kalamazoo Chapter of the League of Women Voters and has been involved with LWV for the past nine years.

Curtis Hart, BA '70, was recently appointed as a director of the National Coalition for the Arts and has been recently involved with the League of Women Voters and has been involved with LWV for the past nine years.

Carroll Hart, BA '70, was recently appointed as a director of the National Coalition for the Arts and has been recently involved with the League of Women Voters and has been involved with LWV for the past nine years.

John Hartman, '66

Patrick Decker, '68

John Yellick, '68

Jojo Fowzer, '67

Carson E. Love, '67

David Keeler, MBA '67, was promoted to manager of employment for the western United States of America, United Airlines. He has been with United since 1966.

Allan Bellward, BBA '71, MBA '78, was promoted to vice president and director of marketing at the First National Bank Corporation, Kalamazoo.

Carol Upham, BBA '79, MBA '82, was appointed to the special projects division of the First National Bank Corporation. He started his career with Eaton as a foreman, became an industrial engineer and was most recently general foreman for the Flint Plant.

Bob Sabourin, MA '76, was elected to the special education and early childhood team at the University of Michigan. He has been active in various capacities at the Flint Community Schools, where he also served as an assistant principal for the Flint and the Flint Community School Corporation.

Tom Jennings, BA '89, graduated from the Thomas M. Cooley Law School. While at Cooley he received the American Jurisprudence Award for excellence in administrative law, and besides his legal work, worked as a clerk for a Lansing law firm.

Jerry Collins, '69, was promoted to manager of claims for the State of Michigan. John Nordberg, BBA '68, was formerly a sales representative for Amtrak in the Ottawa area. He has been recently appointed to the special projects division of the First National Bank Corporation.

David Moore, BBA '69, was promoted to president of the Flint Community School Corporation. He has been a senior director and appliance design, appliance design, appliance design manager of the Flint and the Flint Community School Corporation.
Eric Werner, '71
Patricia Fansberg, '75
Richard Prater, '73

---

She

at the American National Bank, Kalamazoo.

Kansas

ville Middle School and has held a local
teller and in 1973 joined the bank's manage-
tment training program. She has served as a
credit analyst and a mortgage loan credit
manager. Werner, MBA '73, was elected assis-
tant vice president of securities at the State
Mutual Life Assurance Company of
America, in Worcester, MA.

Connie Collick, BA '70, passed her state
licensing exam and was promoted to a
registered and bank supervisor. Collick
pointed the general manager of Southwest
Paper mill superintendent for the

assistant paper mill superintendent. She
was a speaker at the Big Rapids Christian
Society, Calhoun County

and his wife, Susan Park, BS '71, opened an

inexpensive printing service.

Mish,...
Barbara Evans, BBA '76, was promoted to trust officer in the employee benefits division at Traverse City State Bank Trust Department. She joined the bank in 1976 as personnel marketing assistant.

Janet Warz, BA '76, joined Wenzel school, Suffolk, as head, teacher. She previously taught first grade in Colon for three years.

Paul Hershman, MPA '76, is serving as a local consultant to the Alcoholics Rehabilitation center at Tri-Country Community Health Center. He served as the director of an out-patient treatment program for two years and for the last five years has been coordinator of a drug abuse and marriage and substance abuse services.

Debra Harker, BBA '76, of Lansing, was made a member of the life insurance million dollar sales club.

Tony Lavender, BM '76, is a singer, drummer, and percussionist in the Miami area.

She has a busy schedule of dates in the Parkway and state universities in Fort Lauderdale. He is also teaching percussion at the University of Miami, Coral Gables.

Deborah White, BS '76, is a special education teacher at Parson Elementary School, Holly.

Richard Boy, BA '76, is teaching elementary school in Strup's.

Mike Ross, BA '76, is teaching at Crystal Lake School, Franklin.

Anthony Pandolfi, BA '76, has been promoted to the rank of inspector with the City of Portage Police Department. He serves as second in command of the department.

Pandolfi has 23 years of police experience with Elmhurst and Illinois and the Michigan State Police.

Debra Adams, BS '76, has joined a certified public accounting firm of Gaynor & Associates of Niles.

Kathleen April, MPA '76, was promoted to plant controller of Comerica Corporation of America's folding carton factory in St. Paul, MN.

She is responsible for the re-engineered, re-equipped and re-trained team in the manufacturing area.

Mark Gillings, BBA '76, was promoted to vice president of sales at General Telephone Company, Three Rivers. He joined GenTel as a communications specialist in 1976.

Carol Allen, BS '76, is a speech therapist and teacher of pre-school handicapped for the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District. Prior to her work with GenTel for two years, as a speech therapist with Lapeer Community Hospital, she is a substitute teacher in the Carson School District and has been a substitute elementary teacher.

Karen Miesen, MA '77, was promoted from personnel assistant to personnel manager at Auto Specialties Manufacturing Company, St. Joseph. Before joining the company last year she was an employment counselor with Scolling and Scolling and a personnel representative with Barker & Soon finishing Community Center, Otsego.

Pamela Almstrom, MA '77, is with the Community Counseling Center in Grand Rapids.

1978

Edie Wurtschelter, BS '78, is now a varsity coach at Vicksburg high school. She was formerly engaged at the Helen Cooper Center, Kalamazoo.

Charlotte John Batts, BA '71, and Linda Nedeveld were married at the Second Reformed Church, Kalamazoo. Mr. Batts is employed at Ballarini, Inc.

Janet Lynn Adams, BS '71, and Marvin Vanderklip, BS '70, were married in kalevala Memorial Chapel. The couple live in Fruitport, the bride is a financial analyst for Telephone Continental Motors, Muskegon, and the groom is an engineer for the same firm.

Faye N. Bleier, BS '72, became the bride of Robert DoMarde of Hancock's Apostolic Lutheran Church. The bride is a teacher at Parkside school and lives with her husband in Midland.

Verf John Flanders, BS '73, married Patricia Scott Simpson at First Baptist Church at Otsego. The couple now live in Grand Rapids and Mr. Flanders is employed by Swift & Company, Holland.

Robert L. Barin, BA '78, is now assistant to the superintendent at Sturgis city hall.

Janice Marilyn Kidd, BS '74, was married to Gary Lee Slater in Traverse City in April. They live in Kalkaska and she is a secretary at Cheyenne Golfers.

Karel Ellen Hall, BS '79, and Joseph Ovans, were married at the United Methodist Church of South Haven. The bride is the daughter of secretary services at the Community Hospital, Medical Park, Waterville.

Judith Sophie Rybinsky, BS '75, was married to John Norman Osnach at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Kalamazoo. She is a materials planner for Charge Fan Company.

Linda Bliven, BS '75, became the bride of Robert R. Johnson of St. John's Lutheran Church Three Rivers.

Dennis Conner, BS '76, and June Ellen Buckwold, BS '77, were remarried at First United Methodist Church, Benton Harbor. The bride is the director of Lincoln Center and the groom is employed by the Michigan Department of Social Services.

Gary Stephen Conferd, BA '76, and Rhonda June Fergason, were wed at St. Michael Lutheran Church, Kalamazoo. He is a tool design engineer for the Bonar Corporation.

Sheerie Ann Terrell, BS '76, and Jack Slater, BS '71, both of Southfield, were married at Comstock United Methodist Church and now live in Southfield. The groom is employed by Detroit Edison Company and Associates.

Larry Preston Silver, BA '76, married Mary Lou Moody at St. Margaret Catholic Church, Otsego. The groom is a construction technician for General Motors Hydramatic.

Debra Sue Harris, BS '76, and Ross Woodham, were married at the First Congregational Church of South Haven. The bride is a teacher in the South Haven public schools.

Katy Ann Kraussman, MA '76, MA '79, married Dwight W. Kerchum at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Kalamazoo. They live in Des Moines, Iowa.

Ann Elizabeth De Meyer, BS '76, married Scott Reed, senior at Kalevala Chapel. The couple make their home in Chicago, where the bride is employed by LMK.

Kathleen Jo French, BS '76, was married to Donald Lee Brown last February. The couple live in Shevrod and Mrs. Brown teaches third grade in Quincy Community Schools.

Kathy Jo Krshef, BS '76, became the bride of Jerome McAdlin last February and now lives in Betterne.

Bert E. Paulson, BS '78, is now Mrs. Robinson, and lives in Flint.

Susan Kay Holt, BA '79, and David Roy Jackson, were married at the First Presbyterian Church, Battle Creek. Mrs. Jackson was employed as a secretary at the Kellogg Company.

John Paul Rees, BS '79, and David William Spencer, BS '79, were married at the First United Methodist Church and now live in Plainwell. The groom is employed by Safety Services and the bride is a substitute teacher and works at the Un-Wrinkle Rinsers.

Gauman Yasemin Cakmakci, BS '79, married John Ryder at the Agape Christian Fellowship, Kalamazoo.

Deaths

Charlotte Robe Stevens, TC '11, of Fullerton, CA, died April 10, 1979.


Gary W. Chisholm, TC '37, died in March, in Union City.

John F. Chisholm, TC '30, of Laramie, WY, died in February, in New York City.

Leroy Goodale, TC '21, BA '30, of Birmingham, MD, died in March, 1980, after a long illness. He was a former superintendent of Holt schools, instrumental in changing the school system into one that offered grades K-12. He retired as assistant principal of a Birmingham school in 1962.

Margaret Minkowski, TC '27, BA '33, of Grand Rapids, died in February. Irene Barber, TC '30, of Battle Creek, died in January. She taught in the Battle Creek school system from 1927 until her retirement in 1964.
Living memorial—A tree was planted in ceremonies in April in memory of the late Byrn R. Gaff, a faculty member in the College of General Studies (1968-73) and associate ombudsman (1973-76) who died last spring. Among those present, from left, Dr. Philip W. Kramer, ombudsman; Patricia Klein, assistant professor of social science and then president of the Commission on the Status of Women, which sponsored fund-raising to purchase the tree; Nor- man Gaff; Mrs. Gaff’s husband; and Pres- ident John F. Bernhard. The tree is located to the west of Henry Hall.

Helen Tavenee Griider, TC ’24, BA ’34, of Ocean Ridge, FL, died October, 1979. Wilma Born Seiblin, TC ’25, of Ionia, died in January. She taught in the public schools for 36 years. Mary Elizabeth Simmons, TC ’26, of Dimondale, died May, 1979. She was a member of Lansing’s Zeta Chapter of ABE.

Robert Shumaker, BS ’26, owner and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught at Albion high school and during his lifetime was instrumental in organizing the first high school band in Three Rivers and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught information of WLKM radio and served on the:

She moved to Alpena.

Allegan rural schools, died in December, 1979.

Robert Shumaker, BS ’26, owner and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught at Albion high school and during his lifetime was instrumental in organizing the first high school band in Three Rivers and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught information of WLKM radio and served on the:

She moved to Alpena.

Allegan rural schools, died in December, 1979.

Robert Shumaker, BS ’26, owner and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught at Albion high school and during his lifetime was instrumental in organizing the first high school band in Three Rivers and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught information of WLKM radio and served on the:

She moved to Alpena.

Allegan rural schools, died in December, 1979.

Robert Shumaker, BS ’26, owner and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught at Albion high school and during his lifetime was instrumental in organizing the first high school band in Three Rivers and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught information of WLKM radio and served on the:

She moved to Alpena.

Allegan rural schools, died in December, 1979.

Robert Shumaker, BS ’26, owner and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught at Albion high school and during his lifetime was instrumental in organizing the first high school band in Three Rivers and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught information of WLKM radio and served on the:

She moved to Alpena.

Allegan rural schools, died in December, 1979.

Robert Shumaker, BS ’26, owner and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught at Albion high school and during his lifetime was instrumental in organizing the first high school band in Three Rivers and publisher of the Portage Headliner, died in March. Following graduation, he taught information of WLKM radio and served on the:
Dr. John E. Sandberg, dean of the College of Education, has been elected as the Region IV representative to the Teacher Education Council of State Colleges and Universities (TECSCU). His responsibilities will include representing six Midwest States at the regional meetings. 

Dr. Donald F. Sellin, professor of sociology, has a vital role in the academic community beyond the University. Since 1948, he has been awarded a $2,500 grant by the National Endowment for the Humanities to attend a June 15 to 8 summer seminar at Cornell University on "Russian Modernism." As a graduate student here since 1946, she was graduated from Kiev University in Russia and received her master's degree from Indiana University.

Dr. Chester L. Hunt, professor of sociology, was presented with a plaque and an honorarium of $1,500 as the recipient of a Distinguished Faculty Scholar Award. The award, which recognizes outstanding professional achievement and wide recognition in the academic community beyond Western, was presented at a colloquium last month at which Hunt spoke. Hunt, who has taught in the Philippines and in Japan under Fulbright grants, has been on the faculty at Western since 1948.

The appointment of Barbara S. Liggett as manager of personnel services has been approved by the Board of Trustees.

Liggett, a 1972 honors graduate of Hope College, has done graduate work at the University of Michigan's Bureau of Industrial Relations. Her professional experience over the past six years includes two years each in personnel administration as director of management analysis for Geneseo Country, at the City National Bank of Detroit; and as a private consultant in personnel at Flint, primarily for social service agencies in Michigan.

Jewell M. Street, 28, has been promoted to the position of affirmative action officer. She has been the assistant affirmative action officer since March, 1979.

A native of Detroit, Street received her B.B.A. degree from WMU in 1974. She joined the Borgess Medical Center staff in Kalamazoo and served as employment interviewer, 1974-76; employment supervisor, 1976-78; and assistant personnel manager, 1978-79.

As an undergraduate student here, Street was the first female and minority president of Systems, Performance and Management.
Bronco Sports

Softball team places fourth nationally

After becoming a Midwestern power over the past few seasons, Western Michigan's softball team established itself in 1980 as a national power. The Broncos posted a fourth-place finish at the AIAW Division I Women's College World Series at Norman, Okla., over the Memorial Day weekend. WMU entered the tournament as an at-large selection after sweeping a third straight state AIAW title and finishing third at the nearest regional event. The Broncos dominated the all-championship team with three selections, while no other team could land more than two players on the 13-berth squad. Marks of 7-23 and 3-13. The WMU second in Reese Cup

Sports bits...

Under first-year Coach Les Worthe, the men's basketball team finished with a 12-14 record and shared fourth place in Mid-American Conference standings (7-9). Worthe inherited a 1976-79 team that had respective marks of 7-23 and 3-13. The 1979-80 jump enabled Western to share seventh place among the nation's most-improved teams.

Senior guard Kenny Cunningham, Toledo, O., led the Mid-American Conference in scoring (24.2) and shared free throw percentage leadership (.860). He was named to the All-MAC team, mislabeled "player of the year" honors by only two votes and was an honorable mention All-American.

The wrestling team set a season victory record with an 18-5 dual meet campaign and then went on to finish fifth in the Mid-American Conference, the best Bronco showing since 1973.

With All-State selection Patti Renidine heading the list, some impressive records fell to the women's basketball team during the 1979-80 season, including the honor of scoring more points in a single year than any of its predecessors.

Coach Fran Ebert's team closed the season with a 19-10 mark, scoring 2,026 points and breaking the old mark of 1,931 set in 26 games during the 1977-78 campaign. Among the victories chalked up by the Broncos were two in the Motor City Tournament, which they won for a second consecutive season.

Reaching new heights in team and individual performances, the Bronco women's gymnastics team enjoyed a banner season this winter under first-year Coach Kathy Bunn. The team set a single-meet high with 126.5 points in winning the Northern Illinois Invitational, a mark almost 10 points higher than the old record set two seasons earlier. And the team success was only the beginning.

Western Michigan University finished fifth in Central Collegiate Conference track standings and also qualified two individuals and two relays for the NCAA Indoor Championships.

The qualifying relay units for Coach Jack Shaw were in the two-mile (7:32.7) and the distance medley (19:48.03).

The golf team took championship honors at the Gullstream Invitational at Padre Island, Tex., and the Southern Illinois-Edwardsville Invitational to highlight its 1980 season. WMU also finished sixth in the Mid-American Conference and qualified for the prestigious Northern Intercollegiate.

A Mid-American Conference championship, a second place finish in the Seattle Invitational, and a first-place showing at the Northwest Invitational highlighted a storied season. The MAC title was the third for Coach Jack Shaw, who had also guided the Broncos to victory in 1971 and 1976.

Mid-American Winter Standouts and Coaches—Front, from left: Ron Voss, western New Mexico State; Tony Farrow, Central Michigan; and Mike Schmitz, and wrestler Doug Smith, Portage Northern. Back, from left: Jim Lindsay, swimming coach; swimmers Dan Page, Greg Perry and Tony Elliott; basketball players Kenny Cunningham and Mark Weishaar; Les Weithke, basketball coach, and wrestling coach George Hoibs.

Gymnastics win fifth Great Lakes title; six take individual crowns

Coach Fred Orlofsky's WMU men's gymnastics team won its fifth straight Great Lakes League championship to highlight its 1980 season. In the process, the Broncos took six of seven individual crowns.

Kalanlo senior Jim Laatsch, an NCAA vaulting qualifier for the second straight year, won this event and rings

with respective scores of 18.85 and 18.3 (10.0 scale). Laatlech also set season and career vaulting records with respective norms of 9.49 and 9.60 (10.0 scale) and added a seasonal standard of 9.83 for the ring.

Erie, Pa., senior Tim Smith was WMU's other double Great Lakes winner. Smith had placed second to Michigan at the invitationals. At the league meet, WMU won nine of 18 events and also established 14 new varsity records. Western won six of ten dual meets during its regular season schedule.

Junior Tom Brehm of Fremont and Rochester senior Mike Schmitz capped two of the top three MAC individual awards.

Slocum, who qualified for the NCAA championships in the 1,600-yard freestyle, was the "outstanding swimmer" of the championship meet, while Schmitz was the recipient of the "outstanding senior swimmer" award, presented annually by the Miami University Men's Aquatic Club.

Slocum set MAC records for the 400 individual medley (4:07.46) and 1,650 free (15:35.09) and won the 500 free in 4:31.51. Schmitz broke his own 200 IM league record with an effort of 1:54.71 and copied other titles in the 100 free, 200 (2:00.51) and 400 freestyle (6:52.3).

Western's other MAC individual champion was Grand Blanc sophomore Greg Perry in three-meter diving with 401.1 points.

Swimmers in best

MAC finish since 1969

First-year Coach Pete Lindsay directed the men's swimming team to second place in the Mid-American Conference, the highest Broncos standing since 1969.

At the league meet, WMU won nine of 18 events and also established 14 new varsity records. Western won six of ten dual meets during its regular season schedule.

Junior Tom Brehm of Fremont and Rochester senior Mike Schmitz capped two of the top three MAC individual awards.

Slocum, who qualified for the NCAA championships in the 1,600-yard freestyle, was the "outstanding swimmer" of the championship meet, while Schmitz was the recipient of the "outstanding senior swimmer" award, presented annually by the Miami University Men's Aquatic Club.

Slocum set MAC records for the 400 individual medley (4:07.46) and 1,650 free (15:35.09) and won the 500 free in 4:31.51. Schmitz broke his own 200 IM league record with an effort of 1:54.71 and copied other titles in the 100 free, 200 (2:00.51) and 400 freestyle (6:52.3).

Western's other MAC individual champion was Grand Blanc sophomore Greg Perry in three-meter diving with 401.1 points.
Smith retires with emeritus status; building named for L. J. Brink

Charles A. Smith, noted speaker, humorist and professor of English who has been on the faculty longer than any other current member, 45 years, was granted retirement with emeritus status by the Board of Trustees last month.

Smith, who joined the faculty in 1935, received a Teaching Excellence Award in 1978 from the Alumni Association, based on recommendations of students and alumni for "superior classroom teaching skills and professional expertise."

A 1932 graduate, Smith received an M.A. degree in English from the University of Michigan in 1937. Before joining Western's faculty he was a director of the former Sturgis Freshman College in 1934-35. He also taught at Michigan, where he did further graduate work from 1944 to 1946.

In recognition of his 40 years of service to the university, the Board of Trustees has saluted the retiring Lawrence J. Brink by naming the Printing Services Building in his honor. Brink, who retired May 30 as director of printing services, also received special tribute from the Kalamazoo area's four state legislators: Sen. John A. Welborn and Reps. Mary Brown, Donald H. Gilmur and Robert A. Wellborn.

They presented him with a joint resolution recognizing his many career achievements.

He was cited by the trustees for "his quiet but untriting efforts to enhance the image of this institution, his exemplary skills and efficiency in printing instruction and production, and his enviable record of service to this university."

A native of Grand Rapids, Brink was granted retirement with emeritus status as an associate professor of industrial education last December. Brink received a B.A. degree in 1940 from Western and an M.A. in 1948 from the University of Michigan.

Canoe trip (continued from page 1)

She said it is believed that they will be the first women to make the Yukon River journey alone. In preparation they have taken long canoe trips on Midwest waters the past several months and have done special physical conditioning to build up their stamina to make 35 miles a day on the Yukon River.

Coming back from the Bering Sea they must paddle 100 miles or so against the current to the town of Holy Cross, where sea planes can land. Then they will fly back to Eagle.

Their trip plan, developed over a number of months, includes mailing food packages in advance, addressed to themselves at three towns along the Yukon River. "This will really lighten our load," explained Feldpausch.

The women have received some financing from nine sponsors, which will cut the estimated trip cost of more than $4,000 in half, Torbico said, but "finances will be a major concern."

Consequently, contingency plans to cut costs and a June fund-raiser organized by friends at the Kalamazoo restaurant where Torbico works are important elements in the trip preparations.

Feldpausch is employed as an exercise leader in the cardiac rehabilitation unit at the Borgess Medical Center in Kalamazoo.

Torbico has been taking art classes as an education major at Western and is planning to graduate in June. Feldpausch is a physical education-coaching major.

Display cited

A display booth designed and constructed by automotive engineering students won first prize over booths from 11 other institutions at the national Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) congress and exposition at Detroit's Cobo Hall this winter.

57th Year of Bronco Football

As a jubilee at Waldo Stadium for five exciting Saturdays this fall. Not only will Coach Elliot Uzelac's Bronco football team be exciting to watch in 1980, but so will the rest of the colorful pre-game and post-game pageantry.

Tailgate parties, marching bands, and lots of fun with your friends. There's nothing like a college football Saturday in the fall!

The season ticket holders of Western Michigan University will be treated as our preferred customers. Choice seating location at tremendously reduced prices.

The Broncos have the Mid-America Conference's longest winning streak as they enter the 1980 season—in a row and rolling! Coach Uzelac indicates that the Broncos will display a more balanced attack, offensively. And no one, but no one, had a stronger defense than the Broncos during those last five weeks of '79.

The "Diamond Jubilee" of Bronco football will be something that you'll want to be a part of, and it's easy to do. Simply return the order form (below) along with the proper remittance.

TAKING ADVANTAGE OF REDUCED PRICES BY PURCHASING HOCKEY & BASKETBALL TICKETS, TOO!

Season ticket purchasers can get the jump on other Bronco fans by ordering their hockey and basketball tickets as well as for football. Western's pun and hoop squads are in full gear, so now's the time to order!

Please Print:
Name__________________________
Address__________________________
City, State, & Zip__________________________

Payment:
□ Check Enclosed (Payable to Western Michigan University)
□ Charge it to my VISA-MASTERCHARGE
Acct. #__________________________

1980-81 Western Michigan University Athletic Ticket Application

GENERAL PUBLIC

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Price</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Football Season Tickets</td>
<td>(Reg. single game price-$32.50)</td>
<td>@ $27.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Basketball Season Tickets</td>
<td>(Reg. single game price-$46.00)</td>
<td>@ $40.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hockey Season Tickets</td>
<td>(Reg. single game price-$70.50)</td>
<td>@ $50.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Combination Football-Basketball</td>
<td>@ $60.00</td>
<td>$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Combination Football-Hockey</td>
<td>@ $70.00</td>
<td>$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Combination Basketball-Hockey</td>
<td>@ $70.00</td>
<td>$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Combination FB/BSK/HOCKEY</td>
<td>(Handling)</td>
<td>@ $90.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOTAL</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Office Use Only

Office Use Only

Table Continued

1980-81 HOME BASKETBALL OPPONENTS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>FALL STATE</th>
<th>BOWLING GREEN</th>
<th>CENTRAL MICHIGAN</th>
<th>EASTERN MICHIGAN</th>
<th>GRAND VALLEY ST.</th>
<th>ILLINOIS-CHICAGO CIRCLE</th>
<th>KENT STATE</th>
<th>MIAMI</th>
<th>NORTHERN ILLINOIS</th>
<th>TOLEDO</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1.00</td>
<td>Bowling Green (Homecoming)</td>
<td>11.00</td>
<td>Kent State</td>
<td>18.00</td>
<td>Toledo</td>
<td>20.00</td>
<td>Northern Illinois</td>
<td>25.00</td>
<td>Ohio University (Parent's Day)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Office Use Only

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>FALL STATE</th>
<th>BOWLING GREEN</th>
<th>CENTRAL MICHIGAN</th>
<th>EASTERN MICHIGAN</th>
<th>GRAND VALLEY ST.</th>
<th>ILLINOIS-CHICAGO CIRCLE</th>
<th>KENT STATE</th>
<th>MIAMI</th>
<th>NORTHERN ILLINOIS</th>
<th>TOLEDO</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1.00</td>
<td>Bowling Green (Homecoming)</td>
<td>11.00</td>
<td>Kent State</td>
<td>18.00</td>
<td>Toledo</td>
<td>20.00</td>
<td>Northern Illinois</td>
<td>25.00</td>
<td>Ohio University (Parent's Day)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Only two opponents to be named

1980-81 HOME HOCKEY OPPONENTS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>FALL STATE</th>
<th>BOWLING GREEN (2)</th>
<th>FERDINAND ST. (2)</th>
<th>LAKE SUPERIOR ST. (2)</th>
<th>MIAMI (2)</th>
<th>MICHIGAN (1)</th>
<th>NORTHERN MICHIGAN (2)</th>
<th>OHIO STATE (2)</th>
<th>R.P.I. (2)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2.00</td>
<td>Bowling Green (2)</td>
<td>Ferdinand St. (2)</td>
<td>Lake Superior St. (2)</td>
<td>Miami (2)</td>
<td>Michigan (1)</td>
<td>Northern Michigan (2)</td>
<td>Ohio State (2)</td>
<td>R.P.I. (2)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Only two opponents to be named