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At Western, between 65 and 70 percent of our students receive some form of financial aid, including campus employment. They need your help now—before access to higher education again becomes a reality for only the privileged few, and no one else.

Please... write a brief, personal letter today. It could make all the difference. You may wish to use these addresses:

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Representative's Name
House Office Building
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Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

John T. Bernhard
President

Milwood Project plays role in reducing student suspensions

A unique pilot program called "The Milwood Project," designed to foster a school climate in which all students can find success, is believed to have played a vital role in reducing the number of student suspensions from 173 in September and October 1980 to 27 in the same period in 1981 at Milwood Junior High School in Kalamazoo.

That is one conclusion drawn by Dr. Paul C. Friday, professor of sociology and director of the Criminal Justice Program, who developed the project with H. Preston Elrod, a Western doctoral student and project director, and staff members from Milwood Junior High.

The project is being financed by a two-year grant of $268,315 from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) in Washington, D.C.

Friday said, "This project is unique in that it involves a close collaboration among WMU, the Kalamazoo Public Schools and the Kalamazoo County Criminal Justice Commission (KCCJC)." He noted that "the project was spawned by a concern of the KCCJC that an increasing portion of community crime was being committed by school age youths."

Friday observed that the Milwood experience, funded as an "experimental project," is one of only 11 that have received OJJDP grants in the United States. None of the other programs is exactly like the Milwood Project.

Teacher shortage may soon become a reality

The supply of persons with new teaching certificates has been steadily declining nationally since 1972, and by 1986 the supply of additional teachers will be less than the demand, according to Dr. Tom Ryan, teacher educator and chairperson of the Department of Education and Professional Development.

Ryan cites figures from the National Council for Education Statistics that project an estimated 187,000 new teacher graduates in 1986, compared to a projected demand for 188,000 additional teachers.

"Colleges are not able to recruit top level students to enter teacher training as they should be doing," Ryan says. One reason is the reluctance of graduating high school students to consider enrolling in teacher training because of a teacher surplus the past few years. He noted that not since 1968 has the demand for additional teachers exceeded the supply of new graduates.

That decline in graduating teachers is also apparent at Western. In 1971-72, says Ryan, more than 3,000 teachers were recommended for certification at Western, and this year that number has dropped to 550.

Due to the decline in the need for teachers, Ryan says that rather than limit enrollment, school officials at Western try to be sure students understand the nature of the current job market and where the jobs are.

"It's interesting to note," says Ryan, "that five years ago students came to Western looking for careers in teaching and expecting to teach in particular areas, such as Kalamazoo or Grand Rapids. Students now in search of a teaching degree pretty much know that in order to find employment, they're going to have to go out-of-state, probably to the south or to the southwest, where teaching jobs are more plentiful."

Teachers currently employed in Michigan also affect the outlook for students seeking a teaching degree. Ryan says that "all of these teachers that were hired in the '60s have become progressively older. In fact, the average age of teachers in Michigan right now is 44. The average length of service this year is about 13 or 14 years. What that means is that in the next five to 10 years, many of those teachers that entered the force together will begin to retire. But because retiree State aid programs would deal a devastating indirect blow to this country's defense and economic recovery efforts, the latter would be felt even more severely in the State of Michigan," said President John T. Bernhard.

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Something to share

Alumni are in an ideal position to share information about Western with prospective students. That's why this issue of the Westerner includes a special four-page supplement that can be lifted out and shared with someone you know who might be interested in an education at Western.

The supplement, emphasizing student life at Western, is sponsored by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, the Office of Alumni Relations and the Office of Information Services. Previous publications have emphasized Western's excellent academic programs and student support services.

Go ahead. Share Western with someone you like. And thanks!
Fine Arts Building is named for Dorothy U. Dalton

Citing her "outstanding record of achievement and her truly remarkable service and generosity to this community and this University," the Board of Trustees has named the University's new $16.2-million Fine Arts Building for the late Dorothy U. Dalton.

Henceforth, the building will be known as the Dorothy U. Dalton Center. Located between Miller Auditorium and Kohrman Hall, the facility for Western's instructional and performance programs in music and dance is scheduled to open next fall.

"I'm very pleased by the Board's action," said President John T. Bernhard. "Mrs. Dalton was a great friend of this institution and of higher education. We at Western are highly honored to have the name of this gracious woman on that beautiful building."

Mrs. Dalton was a charter member of Western's Board of Trustees. When she resigned in 1972, after serving eight years on the Board, Gov. William G. Milliken remarked, "She has more empathy with the young than a host of those chronologically closer in age."

She died last July 16 at the age of 90.

Her close association with the University began in 1914, when she was hired as an assistant to its only professor of theater and as director of the Drama Club. "Because of her love of theater, (she) co-founded the Kalamazoo Civic Players and gave of her time, talent and resources in the planning and development of the University's Miller Auditorium, as well as the Civic Auditorium and Carver Center," states the Board resolution.

"Mrs. Dalton was selected as Kalamazoo's 1963 Woman of the Year because of her philanthropy in the community, and she was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree in 1971 by this University because of her enthusiastic interest in the arts, valued assistance and strong interest in young people," the resolution continues.

It concludes, "her quiet and gracious philanthropic efforts have enriched all our lives."

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Handicappers Awareness---President John T. Bernhard (left) and Dr. Elwood B. Ehle, vice president for academic affairs, were among campus and community leaders who participated in Handicappers Awareness Week activities early this year. Bernhard, who simulated blindness, said, "I'm fortunate. I'm going to be able to remove this blindfold and regain my sight. I hope we can heighten the awareness of others of what handicapped persons experience every day." Ehle simulated multiple sclerosis with weights on his arms and legs.

Construction on schedule---The finishing touches are being put on the University's Fine arts building, the Dorothy U. Dalton Center, according to William F. Hamill, Jr., campus planning and extension director. "The second and third floors are completed," he said, "and electricians are working on the conference rooms in the basement." It is an 80-foot circular space with portable seating and platforms that will serve a variety of audiences and stage arrangements.

Trustee Johnson resigns from Board

Mildred L. Johnson, a charter member of the Board of Trustees, has resigned from the Board to devote more time to civic and church duties. Johnson, who lives in Muskegon, was appointed to the Board in 1964.

She is a past member of the WMU Alumni Association and served as its vice president in 1974-75. Gov. Milliken is expected to appoint someone to fill her term, which expires Dec. 31, 1984.

"Mrs. Johnson took her responsibilities as a trustee very seriously," said President Bernhard. "We will miss her fine support and special interest in Western. I have invited her to visit the campus often, thereby maintaining her loyal ties to WMU."

"We appreciate her long, loyal and dedicated service," said Michael Kemp, chairman of the Board. "We owe her a great debt of gratitude," said Trustee Fred W. Adams. "She is a true friend of students, faculty and staff at Western," said Trustee Charles H. Ludlow.

A native of Flint, Johnson holds a bachelor's degree from Augustana College in Rock Island, Ill., and did graduate work at Western for a teaching certificate. She taught English and social studies for several years first in Iowa and then in Michigan.

She is or has been a leader of many civic and church organizations. In 1980 she was elected to a two-year term as president of the Michigan Synodical Unit of Lutheran Church Women, LCA. She is a past president of the Michigan division of the American Association of University Women.

Johnson has been active in one of the country's first YWCA organizations serving as its president in 1976 and in the Muskegon Historical Society as past president. She was also the recipient of the United Way of Muskegon County's Outstanding Citizen Award for 1978.

Two sports discontinued; soccer spared

President John T. Bernhard has approved the discontinuation of field hockey and wrestling in the Division of Intercollegiate Athletics, but he rejected a recommendation that soccer be discontinued.

"Based on the evidence I have studied, soccer is developing rapidly throughout the country (including Michigan)," Bernhard said. "The Mac presidents will also consider further reductions in athletic programs, such as limitations on coaching staff size, travel, etc. But in addition, WMU must scrutinize its own athletic program in the foreseeable future. The MAC must adjust to the potential of the American Athletic program in the future," Bernhard said.

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The two sports are being discontinued as part of the University Priorities Project, through which 78 University activities were recommended to be merged or terminated.

Special Flooring---Two workers from the DeYoung and Bagin Construction Co., Grand Rapids, are shown laying the resilient, sound-resistant flooring used in the dance, music and library areas of The Dorothy U. Dalton Center, the University's new $16.2-million fine arts building. The special fiberglass blocks support two layers of the wood, which is covered with carpeting in the library and music areas, and with a layer of maple flooring in the dance studios. The building is scheduled to open this fall.
Four leaders in American life are being awarded the degrees at its meeting March 19. Chisholm, Duncan and Thomas were presented with their degrees at Western's winter semester commencement April 24, in Read Fieldhouse.

Bloomfield, the Arthur Kingsley Porter Professor of English at Harvard, will be presented with his degree May 26 in conjunction with the meeting of the International Congress on Medieval Studies and the Medieval Academy of America at Western, sponsored by Western's Medieval Institute.

Bloomfield, whose doctoral degree is from the University of Wisconsin, has twice received Guggenheim fellowships. A former officer of the Medieval Academy, he is now vice president of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and is a corresponding fellow of the British Academy.

An honorary member of Phi Beta Kappa, Bloomfield is the author of four books and numerous articles and reviews. Among his books is "Essays and Reviews: Guidelines to Language and Literature." He was a member of the planning committee of the National Institute for Blind Children.

Shirley Chisholm, a former nursery school teacher, is the senior Democratic congresswoman in the U.S. House of Representatives. She is the only female and the only black on the House Rules Committee. She is secretary of the House Democratic Caucus and vice chairperson of the Congressional Black Caucus.

Chisholm began her political career in 1964 with her election to the New York State Assembly. She became the first black woman to be elected to the House in 1968 and in 1972 made an unsuccessful campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination.

A native of Brooklyn, N.Y., which is inside the congressional district, Chisholm earned a bachelor's degree cum laude, a master's degree in education and a diploma in administration from Columbia University.

She is a specialist in early childhood education and served as a New York City nursery school teacher, day care center director and education consultant before beginning her political career.

She is a member of a number of organizations, including the League of Women Voters, the Brooklyn Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the national board of the American Civil Liberties Union, the Democratic Action, the advisory council of the National Organization for Women and the honorary committee of the United Negro College Fund.

Duncan, who lives in Kalamazoo, joined the Kalamazoo Bank and Trust Co. of Michigan here as an assistant manager in 1950. He has headed the firm since 1969 and in 1971 became president and chief executive officer of the First American Bank Corp., the first multi-bank holding company in the state. He assumed the title chairman as well last year.

Duncan established the "First National Charge Account Service" in Kalamazoo in 1952. He later conned 75 banks in the U.S. and was a director of the Interbank Card Association, predecessor to MasterCard and VISA.

He attended West Virginia University and WMU and is a graduate of the School of Financial Public Relations at Northwestern University and the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin. Throughout his career he has been a national leader in banking education and consumer credit, primarily through the American Bankers Association and the American Banking Institute. He has written and spoken widely in the field.

Duncan is a trustee of the WMU Foundation and is serving as general chairman of Western's first capital campaign, "Partners in Progress." He is a trustee of the W. E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research in Kalamazoo and is or has been the head of numerous local community organizations. In 1976 he received a national award of the National Alliance of Businessmen, and in the same year, he also received a special commendation from President Gerald R. Ford for his involvement in banking and public service.

Thomas, a 1948 graduate of Western who lives in Pittsburgh, Pa., joined U.S. Steel in 1952. He has held his present position since 1976 and is a member of the U.S. Steel board of directors. He holds a law degree from the University of Michigan and has done post graduate work at New York University and the University of California at Berkeley.

Thomas, also a trustee of the WMU Foundation, received a Distinguished Alumni Award from Western in 1973. He is a director, trustee or officer of a number of organizations, including Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co., the Discount Corp. of New York, the Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce and the Allegheny General Hospital.

Thomas has also served as president of the Pennsylvania Economy League and as a member of the Advisory Committee on Industrial Innovation of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Thomas is a member of the Board of Directors of both the United Way of Allegheny County and Southwestern Pennsylvania.

Distinguished Service Award goes to Blasch

Donald Blasch, professor of blind rehabilitation and mobility, received the 1982 Distinguished Service Award at the April 24 commencement in Read Fieldhouse.

Dean R. Tyn dall, chairperson of the Distinguished Service Award Committee at WMU, who made the selection, said Blasch was chosen to receive the award because of his "outstanding leadership in improving services for the blind.

Blasch, who has been on Western's faculty since 1961, "was instrumental in developing the long-cane technique for orientation and mobility for the blind, a technique that has been adopted all over the world," Tyn dall noted.

A 1937 graduate of Northern Illinois University, Blasch earned a master's degree from the University of Chicago in 1948. He has done advanced study in psychology at Northwestern University. From 1950 to 1961 he was a counselor and acting director of the Central Rehabilitation Center for Visually Impaired and Blind Veterans at the Veterans Administration Hospital at Hines, Ill. Before that he was a psychologist at the Illinois State Training School for Boys, and at the Guidance Clinic in Evanston, Ill.

Blasch came to Western in 1961 as director of what was then the Center for Orientation and Mobility of the Blind. In 1972 he became the first chairman of the Department of Blind Rehabilitation and Mobility who was formed, remaining in that position.

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By Dr. Edward W. Harkenrider

Dr. Edward W. Harkenrider, director of student financial aid and scholarships at Western since 1967, is widely regarded as a national expert on student financial aid issues. He currently serves as vice chairman of the Michigan Higher Education Student Loan Authority, the state agency that oversees student loan activity in Michigan. This article appeared in a similar form in the Kalamazoo Gazette.

WMU student loan default rate below national average

The University's default rate on federal student loans is well below the national average, according to figures provided by Dr. Edward W. Harkenrider, director of student financial aid and scholarships at Western.

"The current default rate at Western for National Direct Student Loans is 8.7 percent, well below the national average of over 11 percent," Harkenrider said. An NDSL is considered "in default" when any payment is 120 days overdue.

Western escapes government penalties that are enforced when the rate exceeds 10 percent. The penalties consist of withholding funds available to students for loans.

"These figures indicate that 90 percent or more of the nation's student borrowers repay their loans on time," Harkenrider said. "Considering that many are inexperienced borrowers and lack collateral, I'd say that's a pretty good repayment rate."

For example, Harkenrider continued, the combined average default rate for guaranteed and direct student loans for the most recently reported year was estimated 9 percent default rate for consumer and commercial loans in the nation.

Bernhard decays cuts (Continued from Page 1)

In unprecedented action, the presidents of more than 40 public and private colleges and universities in Michigan approved a joint statement condemning the proposals.

"President Reagan's proposed cuts in the Pell [Basic] Grant, Supplemental Grant, National Direct Student Loan, College Work-Study and State Student Incentive Grant Programs—if adopted by Congress—would reduce by 12 percent (over 700) the number of awards to eligible WMU students for 1982-83 and by as much as 45 percent (over 3,000) of the awards to eligible Western students in 1983-84.

For the State of Michigan alone, it is estimated that aid totaling $44 million for more than 97,000 students would be lost in 1983-84.

"The national administration has repeatedly claimed that the budgets proposed are not cuts to these programs, but only "containment" of their growth," Bernhard said. "Although it is true that by lumping all social programs together, the two fiscal-year budgets [1981-82 and 1982-83] contain a 3.5 percent increase over 1980-81, it is far from the truth for the federal student aid programs."

"Quite the contrary, there is a significant reduction for both fiscal years [12 percent for 1981-82 and 50 percent for 1982-83]. As a matter of record, these programs have sustained a reduction every year since 1978-79," he said. "It seems only fair and proper, therefore, that programs as vital to the nation's economy and defense as these should not only be maintained, but should share in the overall 3.5 percent increase for social programs," he continued.

Admitting that the cost of the Guaranteed Student Loan (GSL) Program must be contained, Bernhard said he believes that the imposition of a needs test for all recipients makes good sense. "However, the proposal that graduate students be made ineligible to participate in this program does not make any sense.

Western has 613 graduate students who received $1,608,880 through the GSL program in 1981. That represents 20 percent of the University's graduate enrollment. Very few, if any, of these students would be able to attend WMU without this loan opportunity, Bernhard said.

"Couple all of those factors and others, with increased tuition and fees statewide, plus a severe scarcity of available state and federal funds for higher education for Michigan residents and others will be substantially reduced," Bernhard said.
Technology unites past, present and future

"Applications for Tomorrow—'82," the Open House and technology fair presented by the College of Applied Sciences on March 26-27, drew its largest crowd, more than 2,000 people, since it began five years ago. Exhibits included a fashion show of authentic historical clothing from the turn of the century and demonstrations of computer usage, printing techniques and metal casting.

A feature of this year's program was a multimedia presentation by Robert Malone, pictorial editor of OMNI magazine, on future developments in science and technology and our adjustment to those developments.

"Applications for Tomorrow—'82," represented the combined efforts of 30 student organizations in the College of Applied Sciences.

Western rejoices in 25th anniversary as a University

It was 25 years ago on Feb. 26 that Western Michigan College became Western Michigan University, when Gov. G. Mennen Williams signed legislation granting University status to Western.

The event was commemorated in February by the Board of Trustees in a resolution, which invited students, faculty, staff, alumni and other friends of the University "to rejoice in the achievement of this milestone and [to] affirm [Western's] commitment to providing high quality teaching, research and public service."

"Western has made tremendous progress in the 25 years since it became a University," said J. Michael Kemp, chairman of the Board of Trustees. "Today, Western is truly a major, multipurpose university with a wide array of programs and services to offer its many constituents."

The late Dr. Willis F. Dunbar, professor of history at Western for many years and one of its leading historians, spoke at a convocation March 1, 1957, acknowledging the designation.

"Western should think of itself not just as a University but as a distinctively 20th-century university," he said.

Trustee Fred W. Adams, a 1937 graduate of the University, represented alumni at the March ceremony.

The resolution approved by the Board noted that in 1969 the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education cited Western as the example of an institution with a single-purpose origin that had moved successfully into the ranks of multipurpose universities.

The resolution recognized Western's quarter century as a University and its 79 years of service to the people of Michigan and beyond. Western was founded in 1903.

University status—Gov. G. Mennen Williams (seated) signs legislation on Feb. 26, 1987, granting university status to Western Michigan College. Witnessing the event were (from left) State Rep. Cyril Root, State Sen. Carlton H. Morris, the late President Paul V. Sangren and State Rep. Homer Amett. "It is most fitting that the citizens of Western Michigan should be served by a state university," Williams said.

The picture was provided by the University Archives.
Kellogg and National Water Lift give to ‘Partners in Progress’

Two major corporations in Southwest Michigan have become participants in the University’s “Partners in Progress” capital campaign. The Kellogg Company of Battle Creek has pledged $100,000, and the National Water Lift Company of Kalamazoo has given $50,000 to the campaign.

The Kellogg pledge is directed for use in construction of the recently announced John E. Fetzer Business Development Center, the primary focus in the University’s $6.8-million campaign. Designed to serve the Southwestern Michigan business, industry, educational and service communities, it is scheduled for completion in September.

Walter T. Redmond, Kellogg president and chief administrative officer, announced the company’s support: "We are pleased to join WMU in this campaign to expand the campus facilities and enlarge its already extensive public service programs. We believe the new Fetzer Center will have a very positive influence in Southwestern Michigan."

WMU President John T. Bernhard, acknowledging the Kellogg Company commitment, stated, "Welcoming Kellogg Company as a Partner in Progress through this magnificent gift is a twofold pleasure. First, Kellogg is a world-class firm with whom WMU is proud to be associated. In addition, their record as an outstanding community citizen extends from within, through excellent employee relations, to all corners of the world with instant recognition of their quality products."

With 1981 sales exceeding $2.3 billion, Kellogg is one of the world’s largest U.S.-based industrial corporations. The Battle Creek firm, employing over 20,000 persons worldwide, manufactures and markets convenience food products.

In making the National Water Lift presentation, James Wood, president of Pneuma Corporation, the parent company of National Water Lift, said, "We are pleased to be able to take part in this campaign. This commitment to the University is gratifying, since this investment will benefit Kalamazoo for generations to come."

President Bernhard, in accepting the check, commented, "This fine gift by the National Water Lift Company is another example of this firm’s deep commitment to Kalamazoo and Southwestern Michigan."

National Water Lift, which produces flight controls and engine components for military and commercial aircraft and missile hardware, employs more than 1,000 workers in Kalamazoo.

Western’s capital campaign, with a goal of $6.8 million, has gifts and pledges of approximately $6.4 million at this time, according to Russell L. Cabier, assistant vice president for alumni affairs and development.

Kellogg Company pledge—President Bernhard (second from left) accepts a pledge of $100,000 from Walter T. Redmond, president of the Kellogg Company of Battle Creek. With them are Harold H. Holland (left), chairman of the American National Bank and Trust Company in Kalamazoo and head of the major gifts division of the capital campaign, and Dr. Darrell G. Jones, dean of the College of Business at Western.

National Water Lift presentation—National Water Lift Company (NWL) of Kalamazoo has given $50,000 to Western’s “Partners in Progress” capital campaign. Pictured above at the presentation are John Jarboe (left), NWL vice-president and general manager; James Wood, president of Pneuma Corporation; President Bernhard, and Cliff Willis, NWL president.

In a few words . . .

■ Graduate level nursing program becomes area project

Recognizing a need of "critical proportions," and the value of cooperation, the presidents of two Kalamazoo hospitals, Western, and Nazareth College have agreed to explore the establishment of a graduate education program in nursing for Kalamazoo and West Michigan. Planning is to center on jointly offering the master of science in nursing [MSN] degree.

Other health-service and health-education institutions and agencies will be invited to participate later. "The need for professionally prepared nurses in a wide variety of health services has been identified as a national, state and regional problem of critical proportion," the presidents said in a joint statement. "The need for graduate nursing education is particularly pressing."

They cited as reasons the increasing sophistication of nursing practice, the need for graduate-prepared nursing educators and the increasing number of nurses in administration and research.

Signing the resolution were Richard J. Wingard, president of Borgess Medical Center; Daniel W. Finch, president of Bronson Methodist Hospital; John E. Hopkins, president of Nazareth College; and John T. Bernhard, president of Western.

■ WMU to computerize library card catalog

The familiar card catalog no longer may be every library’s common denominator, according to Carl H. Sachtleben, director of University Libraries at Western. Instead of sorting through files of catalog cards listing the library’s books, a computer terminal soon may speedily provide the information instead. The WMU library system is one of 10 in Michigan that received money, from a grant given to the Michigan Library Consortium by the Kellogg Foundation, to convert their bibliographic records into machine readable form.

Designers’ Showhouse at The Oaklands

Turn a group of professional decorators and interior design students loose in a place like The Oaklands, the stately former home of University presidents, and the results could easily be called ‘Designers’ Showhouse ‘82.’ The 25 rooms of the historic Italian villa style home are being renovated and redecorated for showing to the general public from April 21 to May 12, sponsored by the Kalamazoo Symphony Women’s Association and the Friends of the Kalamazoo Art Center.

Tickets for tours of ‘Designers’ Showhouse ‘82’ are $5 and are available at the door. The Oaklands, now used as a reception center, was formerly the home of Drs. Paul V. Sanggren and James W. Miller when they served as presidents of the University. Built in 1870, the home was acquired by the University in 1944.
Western is a great place...

Western Michigan University is a great place to be yourself, and this special section is intended to show you why. There's more to college than books, lectures, and labs... there's a whole world here of study and fun, just waiting for you.

Take, for example, more than 250 student organizations, through which you can develop skills—and make friends—that will be good for a lifetime... from the Ski Club and the Sky Broncos (flying club) to the Medical Science Association, the Consortium for Ebony Concerns and the Cordial Corps (University hosts). And don't forget Western's many social fraternities and sororities.

Sports? Western is a member of the mighty Mid-American Conference, winning the MAC's Reese Trophy of all-sports supremacy in men's athletics last year. Western has 19 intercollegiate sports for men and women... plus intramurals,

*to be yourself!
recreational sports in Gary Center/Read Fieldhouse, skating and swimming in the Student Recreation Building, an outdoor Fitness Trail and much, much more.

Student media? Why not write or take pictures for the Western Herald student newspaper. Or maybe you'd want to play records, talk or report the news on WIDR, Western's student-run FM radio station. How about contributing a short story or a poem to Currents?

Student government? There's the Western Student Association and the active Residence Hall Association.

Student services? How about the Center for Women's Services, Testing and Evaluation Services, International Student Services, Minority Student Services, Handicapper Student Services? If you need help... there's the University Health Center, the Counseling Center, legal aid through the Western Student Association, Career Counseling, the University Police Department and the Ombudsman (who tries to help students and others untangle red tape).

There's on-campus housing, and off... there's on-campus employment, and off... and there are on-campus movies, and off—which means that both Western and Kalamazoo have a whole lot to offer you, from the day you arrive to the day you graduate—and beyond.

You'll find yourself spending some part of many days in the University Student Center, whether in the games area (video games, bowling, billiards), the typing room (manual and electric typewriters are available), Plezer's fast-food restaurant (they have great hamburgers) or at the main counter, which sells a little of everything and cashes personal checks up to $10.

And when you get here you'll get a copy of a booklet called "Existence," produced by the Orientation Office, which is full of good ideas—and good advice—for new students at Western. We thought we'd share some of that advice with you before you look through the rest of this section; it's from a section near the end of the booklet marked "I wish I'd known..."

• I should have learned to type.
• that one of the best things I'll learn in college is to express myself well.
• that getting used to a roommate is like getting married without being engaged.
• that if I keep up with my reading, I can avoid that last-minute panic.
• what it's like to be completely on my own, making all of my own decisions.
• to read more in high school and learn to read faster.
• that if I wait until vacation to catch up on school and sleep, I'll get neither done and will ruin my vacation to boot.
• that there's a lot more to learning that just what goes on in class or from a book.

As we said, Western is a great place to be yourself. See you at Western!
Financial aid
To be considered for financial aid at Western, you must:
1. Complete the Financial Aid Form or the Family Financial Statement as soon as possible and send it to the address shown on each form. These forms are available from your high school counselor or college financial aid office.
2. Send the result of the Pell (Basic Educational Opportunity) Grant application to the Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49008, and then...
3. Submit additional information requested by the WMU Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships. Awarding of aid to eligible students whose files are complete will be done by May 15. Awards will be made to students whose files are complete after that date, provided funds are available.

Residence halls
Western has 19 comfortable dorms, and one of them is bound to be right for you. Whether you elect to stay in a single or double room, in a suite or a room with community bathroom, in a co-ed or single-sex hall, we’re certain Western has living quarters to suit your lifestyle.

Once you settle in, you’ll find that most residence halls have such outstanding features as:
1. comfortable lounges,
2. exercise areas, complete with weight machines,
3. television areas,
4. laundry facilities, and
5. study lounges.

If you don’t like the color of your room, we supply the paint and brush, you supply the enthusiasm and elbow grease. Feel hungry? The dorm cafeterias stay open all day—no extra charge! Feel tired after a long day? Relax and enjoy a sauna. One is available in each residence hall complex.

Western’s residence halls—a great place to live!

Kalamazoo
Located in a moderate-sized city of 80,000, WMU shares in a variety of cultural activities with the surrounding community. The New Vic Players and Civic Theatre are the two primary sources of traditional and experimental drama, while the Gilmore Art Center offers a variety of courses in which students enrolled at WMU may participate. Season tickets at special student rates may be purchased for the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra, and for students seeking a change from campus life there is the Kalamazoo Nature Center, with seasonal exhibits and trails.

The countryside around WMU affords opportunities for cycling, horseback riding, and other outdoor activities. It’s only a 45-minute drive to the shores of Lake Michigan, and in winter the nearest ski facilities are only 25 minutes away.

Kalamazoo is located between two major metropolitan centers. You can drive to Detroit or Chicago in 2½ hours via Interstate 94.
The City of Kalamazoo is served by public transportation via Amtrak from Detroit and Chicago, as well as by Republic Airlines and commercial bus.

**Important offices to contact**

- Financial Aid and Scholarships: (616) 383-1806
- Housing: (616) 383-6100
- Orientation: (616) 383-0904
- Undergraduate Admissions Office (Campus Tours): (616) 383-1950

**ADVISING OFFICES**

- College of Applied Sciences: (616) 383-0545
- College of Arts and Sciences: (616) 383-6122
- College of Business: (616) 383-3982
- College of Education: (616) 383-1989
- College of Fine Arts: (616) 383-0913
- College of General Studies: (616) 383-0941
- College of Health and Human Services: (616) 383-8116
- Counseling Center (for students undecided about their major): (616) 383-1850

**ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?**

Contact: Office of Undergraduate Admissions, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49008
(616) 383-1950

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**Checklist for students**

- Complete Application for Admission
- American College Test (profiles must be sent directly from ACT Center).
- Family Financial Statement of Financial Aid Form (available at high school counseling office).
- Visit to Campus (recommended).
- Scheduled tours, when Classes are in session: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
- June: Orientation Information received.
- June: Housing information received.
- Mid-June to Mid-July: Attend New Student Orientation and register for classes.
- August: Remainder of tuition paid.
- Move to campus.

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**Western Michigan University**

It is the policy and commitment of Western Michigan University not to discriminate on the basis of race, sex, age, color, national origin, religion or handicap in its educational programs, activities, admissions, or employment policies in accordance with Title IX of the 1972 Educational Amendments, Executive Order 11246 as amended, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and all other pertinent State and Federal regulations.
The Development Fund is the new name of the former Annual Fund. According to Helen Flaspohler, director, the new name will more accurately reflect the importance of yearly private gifts in the on-going development of academic programs, scholarships and loan funds, faculty and graduate research, library materials and other instructional resources at Western. Since its establishment in 1966, activities of the Fund have expanded to account for gift support from alumni, friends, parents, businesses, foundations and organizations. The University Club recognizes gifts of $100 and over, and The Cum Laude Club acknowledges all contributors who make an annual gift of between $500 and $999. The President’s Club recognizes and honors all alumni, parents and friends who make an outright gift of $15,000 or more, usually over 10 years, or a planned gift of $25,000 or more.

Today state-legislated funding provides a decreasing percentage of the University’s total budget. Thus, it is imperative, stated Flaspohler, that the Development Fund effectively bring the case for private support before the central purpose of our University. Annual gifts through the Development Fund constitute the cornerstone of all private support to Western, supplying gifts where they are needed most.

The Development Fund seeks your continued annual support of a fine institution and recognizes your valued contributions to the maintenance of quality education at Western Michigan University.

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- Robert W. Anderson, Keith Alcock
- Lois Galilbash, Theodora Bank
- Mrs. Albert Bellamy, Neila Bibbs
- Corinne Chambers, Olen W. Callaghan
- Theodore Callahan, Thomas L. Callahan
- Robert Cairns, Theodore L. Carlson
- Constance Chambers, Donett L. Chase
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Dear Alumni

Western Michigan University alumni are sometimes accused of being disinterested in their University once they have graduated. Some do not care, but there are increasing numbers who remember that West Campus-oriented support is being shown increasingly in the fundraising areas. In 1981 the first-Center and a number of academic programs; institutions move forward with greater take hold and begin to provide funds make this commitment to give out of their tuition certainly could not have provided the scholarship and loan funds so much in demand, to assist in the development of athletic programs or to provide a new facility.

It wasn't many years ago that Western had no funds earmarked as 'endowment,' the accretion of wealth that provides an annual earned income to be put to current uses. In the latest listing of 192 institutions by the Chronicle of Higher Education, Western has found a place, ranking 186th with a market value of such funds at $2,564,000.

Gary Fund begins 1982 fund drive

"As we kick off the 1982 Mike Gary Athletic Fund drive, our volunteers will be out seeking $725,000," says Bill Doolittle, director of the Gary Fund.

"We had more than 300 working on last year's drive, which topped the $250,000 goal," adds Doolittle. "They did an absolutely superb job for Western's athletic program."

There were more than 2,100 contributors during 1981, with $60 of them making first-time gifts. All contributions go directly to the division of intercollegiate athletics, where the decisions are made as to how the funds can be best used to augment Western's 19 varsity sports. In the past money has been used for scholarships, team travel, recruiting and the purchase of special equipment.

"With the dedication of this large group of volunteers we are optimistic that the 1982 fund will meet its goal," concludes Doolittle. The drive began April 26.

Dewey Haner and John Prince are the co-chairmen for '82, earning that honor by being two of the most productive fundraisers of the past. We appreciate your continued interest and participation.

Homecoming theme selected

"Under the Bronco Big Top—WMU Homecoming '82" is the theme for 1982 Homecoming Week activities from Oct. 10 to Oct. 16. The Homecoming Committee has chosen a logo by a WMU student to depict the theme which will be used on all promotional material, including stationery, posters and magazine ads for postage machines.

"It seems most appropriate to use student talent when selecting a logo for such an important all-University function as Homecoming," said M. Jamie Jeremy, assistant director of Alumni Relations. The designs for the past two years have been by WMU students. Final selection of the 1982 logo was made by the Homecoming Committee.

Watch for more details on Homecoming Week, in the June and August issues of the Westerner.

Alumni Gatherings

* Detroit
A dinner program for alumni and friends is in the works for metropolitan Detroit area has been scheduled for Monday, May 30, at the Recess Club in the Fisher Building.

W. Bruce Thomas, executive vice president for accounting and finance for U.S. Steel and a '49 graduate, and John R. Edman, vice president of the financial staff of General Motors, will address the topic, "How Can Industry Function in a Depressed Economy and Turn a Profit?"

The dinner program will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a social hour (cash bar). A prime rib dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by the program. Program cost is $24.00 per person. Reservations can be made by calling the WMU Alumni Office.

* Hastings
Thursday, June 24, is the date set for the 15th annual golf outing at the Hastings Country Club. Lew Lang is currently working on the details for this year's event. Details will be mailed to area alumni in early May.

Alumni Association new life members

Robert E. Bougan, MBA '87, and Martha Luci Bougan, BA '76.

Charles R. Lewis, BS '82, Franklin, Ky.

Ronald L. McCarthy, BS '79, Richmond

Rose Mcdow, MS '76, Andover, Mass.

Arthur R. Nash, Jr., BS '70, Hillsboro, Ohio

Lew Lang, MA '75, Richland

Michael Scherken, MBA '79, and Julie Leck Closh, BA '79, Detroit

Mark Smiley, BS '81, and Elizabeth Darlison Smiley, BS '79, Macomb, Calif.

Ricky Lynn Stroser, BBA '91, White Plains

Martha Lawler, RN, BS '81, Rockwood

Hew K. Wild, BS '71, Beverly Hills.

Charles Willard, MD, BS '51, St. Louis.

Life memberships are available to individuals at $100, or $10 per year for 10 years, or $30 per year for five years. Family memberships are $100, or $10 per year for 10 years, or $30 per year for five years.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

□ Annual Membership $10 per year

□ Individual Life Membership $150 or $16 per year for 10 years or $32 per year for 5 years

□ Family Membership (husband & wife) $180 or $19 per year for 10 years or $38 per year for 5 years

0 Payment of $ is enclosed; or

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Please check appropriate box:

□ Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms. Other

Please indicate title preference:

Please make check payable to W.M.U. Alumni Association

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
Reunions

1932 graduates celebrate 50 years
1932 graduates from what was then Michigan State College will celebrate their Golden Anniversary Reunion Friday, August 20.

A committee of class members will begin registration at 9 a.m. at the Oaklands. Returning class members will be joined by University administrators and emeriti at a 10:30 brunch. A bus tour of campus will follow.

The class of 1932 will be recognized at the graduation ceremonies that evening. Following commencement, class members will continue their reminiscing at a reunion program.

A committee of class members comprised of Fred Adams, Lorraine Beebe, Bob Becker, Margaret Feaier, Virginia Hathaway, Mary Jackson, Harold McKe, Marion Ware, Phil and Virginia Winterson and Jack Zerden is assisting with the reunion plans.

Reservation forms will be mailed to class members in early May. '32 graduates not receiving reunion information should contact the WMU Alumni Office.

1942 graduates to reunite
A class of 1942 anniversary reunion will be held June 4 and 5 for 1942 graduates of Western.
Deborah L. Pratt, BBA '81, and Diane D. Nicholas, BBA '81, reported that low teaching salaries was a major issue in teacher-preparatory programs.

Lansing grad honors Morrison—Dr. William Morrison, who has played a key role in the lives of many of his students, was honored March 18 by 13 former students now in the Lansing area. Morrison was presented with a citation for his "outstanding leadership in the field of education." The citation was presented to him by the Michigan Coaches Association Athletic Directors Association.

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Amy T. Zebel, BS '81, and Michael Ryan, Aug. 1 in St. Joseph.

Dianne Divis, BS '81, and William A. Hillman, Jan. 16 in Benton Harbor. They live in Hartford.

Michael J. Lyster, BSM '81, and Jennifer VanHuss, Nov. 5 in East Lansing. He is a physician for a local hospital.

Deborah M. Shugol, BS '81, and Thomas K. Ansey, BS '81, Jan. 1 in Dearborn. He is with General Dynamics Corp., and she is with Woman's World. They live in San Diego, Calif.

Kenneth F. Simon, associate dean of the College of Education, died Feb. 22 after an extended illness. His retirement with emeritus status had been approved by the Board of Trustees at its February meeting. After a lengthy professional career in higher education administration, Simon came to Western in 1971 as associate dean. While at Western he helped develop a doctoral program in educational administration offered in cooperation with Michigan State University. He was a graduate of Mankato State University, the University of Michigan-Dearborn and Washington State University. Dr. Simon leaves his wife, Barbara Mills, MA '74, EdD '78, three children and two sisters.

Loyd C. Widerberg, MA '69, an instructor of the blind for the past 18 years, died Feb. 8 in Kalamazoo. He was an assistant professor. Widerberg was a graduate of Northern Illinois University and came to Western in 1964 to teach blind rehabilitation and mobility. He leaves his wife and four children.

Mercedes A. Bacon, TC '38, BA '37, died Nov. 22, 1980, in Fortaleza, Calif. She was the wife of Dr. James M. Nuitt and also leaves two children and four grandchildren.

Bea Gustaveo Ayres Henrion, TC '19, died March 3 in Lawton. For 35 years she and her late husband operated a jewelry store in Manistee. She leaves one sister.

Henry H. Lemoin, TC '23, BS '41, died March 5 in Allentown. He was a member of the 1922 undefeated football team and was for many years an active as a coach at Osgood, retiring in 1960. Lemoin was a member of the Michigan Coaches Association Athletic Hall of Fame and until 1984 was an active farmer. He leaves his wife, two children and four grandchildren.

Harvey A. Smith, TC '23, died March 4 in Dearborn. He was a teacher for many years.

Leaves his wife, three children, nine grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Robert Elrod, TC '15, BBA '57, has been inducted into the Michigan Coaches Association Athletic Directors Association of Workers for the Blind.

Hazel Allison Sweet, TC '38, died Jan. 21. She was a teacher for 35 years. She leaves two children, three grandchildren, four great grandchildren and a sister.

Velma Hunt Wolfe, TC '31, died Jan. 27 in Albuquerque, N. M. She leaves her husband, her mother, two sons, two sisters, and a brother. Mrs. Wolfe lived in Flatwell for many years.

Rex USchek Peabody, BS '33, MA '64, died Feb. 21 in Allegan. She was a teacher for 45 years, retiring in 1971. She leaves her husband, one son, a brother and a sister.

Maxine McNeil Cummings, BA '36, died March 9 in Muskegon. She was a bookkeeper for the city of Whitehall until retiring. She leaves a sister.

Neal E. Rautman, BS '36, died March 1 in Kalamazoo. He had taught in Kalamazoo and area schools until retiring in 1968 and at one time was superintendent in Gobles. He leaves his wife and three sisters.

Victor C. Beartie, BS '40, died Feb. 14 in Kalamazoo. He was an insurance agent and is survived by his wife, a son and five grandchildren.

Duane G. Lord, BS '48, died Dec. 6 in Greenville. He had coached first at ontongon and since 1955, in Stephenson. In his senior basketball team was state champion. He leaves his wife, five children, four grandchildren, two brothers and two sisters.

Blasch (Continued from Page 3)

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Blasch is known internationally as a leader in the development and provision of services for the blind and visually handicapped and has received numerous awards. These include the Migel Medal from the American Federation for the Blind and the Anthony Williams Award from the American Association of Workers for the Blind.

He received a concurrent resolution from the Michigan Senate and the House of Representatives in July 1980, which states that "this innovative program has prepared many individuals to teach blind people mobility and skills necessary to get them through the ordinary course of a day."

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The Distinguished Service Award established in 1980, honors a WMU Board of Trustees appointed faculty or administrative staff members. It is given for service through the design and development of innovative and effective programs such as those that serve students in some important and unique way, for service through outstanding leadership contributing to the growth and stature of WMU, and for service that extends the impact of Western and its resources into the community.

The service must affect a significant segment of the University community. The award usually will be given for a cumulative body of service rather than a single event. The recipient receives a $1,000 honorarium.

Retirements granted

Six retirements were granted by the Board of Trustees during the winter semester (effective date in parentheses): Stephen F. Barton, associate director of the physical plant [Jan. 31]; Frederick Everhart, professor of accountancy (Aug. 31); Gerald R. Fletcher, coordinator of the physical plant (April 30); Thome O. Hughes, assistant professor of English [June 23]; Louis Kirali, document and map librarian (June 23); and Michael J. McKirrick, professor of business education and administrative services [April 24].
Payne, Wilkinson assume coaching posts

Vernon Payne, the head basketball coach at Wayne State University for the past five years, has been named as the 10th cage mentor in Western Michigan University basketball history, and Bill Wilkinson, an assistant with two NCAA tournament hockey teams over the last four years, has been named as the lOth cage mentor in Western Michigan University history. Both by Tom H. Wonderling, director of intercollegiate athletics.

Payne, 37, guided the 1982 Tartar team that had no seniors to a 15-9 showing, which included a 63-61 win over WMU in Kalamazoo and also to a school record high third place in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference in 1980-81. Payne has also coached the women's team in each of the last four years, has been named as the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Coach of the Year four times, and has achieved All-American honors.

Payne, a 1968 graduate of Indiana University, was a starting guard on three Hoosier basketball squads including a Big Ten co-championship club in 1971-72. A two-time All-Big Ten selection, he was captain and "most valuable" player.

He had also coached the women's team at Western Michigan University since 1977-78 and the University of Denver (1974-77) and as a graduate assistant at Indiana (1971). He also handled television color commentary for the Indiana Pacers and the state high school tournament.

"Vern's qualifications, both professionally and personally, make him a fine asset to our program," said Wonderling. "He's very concerned about the academic community and the academic success of his players and is familiar with our recruiting areas, having coached in Michigan for eight years and being from Northern Indiana." Payne holds a bachelor's degree in speech and hearing therapy and a master's degree in guidance and counseling, both from Indiana University.

Payne succeeds Les Workhe, who resigned March 16 to become head basketball coach at the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y.

Wilkinson, 34, served the last three years at Bowling Green State University and coordinated defensive play. The Falcons reached the 1982 national quarter-finals after winning the regular season Central Collegiate Hockey Association championship. In 1979 Wilkinson was at the University of North Dakota as the men's tennis team coach.

Vern Payne  Bill Wilkinson

Spring Previews

Baseball

Three All-MAC performers return from a 1981 that tied for the West All-MAC honors on Sept. 22-23. WMU, which finished second in the conference, is one of the 12 pre-season favorites and was ranked 12th nationally in one pre-season poll.

The three returning all-league picks are outfielder Paul Schneider, shortstop Ray Thoma and pitcher Jeff Kaiser. Schneider, a third-team All-American, hit .411 a year ago and set WMU season records for hits (83) and runs (99) and tied teammate Mark Peabody for the school record with nine doubles. Thoma was a .304 hitter, while Kaiser, a third-team Academic All-American, needs just one victory to match the school career record of 20 set by Frank "Sonny" Overstreet from 1930-31.

Other returning regulars are Gerard at first base, second baseman Tom Ackerman, third baseman Joe Ghehna, and outfielders Tim Gourlay, Osie Haskins and Marc Quince.

Western was third in 1981 MAC, with Todd Demarest earned all-MAC honors for his play in that (10th) and other spring tournaments. Also returning for Coach Steve Schlosser this year are Ron Beurmann, who shared seventh place at the MAC championship, and Brad Rosier and Steve Ellisworth, who tied for 20th. Jack Trivison led the 1981 team with a 76.9 average and then came back during fall competition to post a team low 77.3 over 13 rounds.

Softball

Coach Fran Ebert's softball team has finished among the nation's top 10 teams in the past two seasons, and much of last year's record-setting 39-13 contingent returns, led by the one-two pitching punch of junior Bonnie Kinne and senior Kim Worden. Kinne had a 16-6 record with a 0.36 ERA and then came back during fall competition to post a team low 77.3 over 13 rounds.

Men's Tennis

With only three returning lettermen, Coach Jack Vredevelt's men's tennis team may have a difficult time repeating last year's Mid-American Conference championship. Senior captain Paul Walker is the top returnee. He was the MAC No. 2 singles champion last year and is considered one of the top collegiate players in the Midwest.

Junior Jeff Sussen and sophomore Dave Sommerville return after posting high finishes at the conference meet last year. Top newcomers are Christian Herman, Mike Woody and R. Jay Dunkle.

Women's Tennis

Coach Becky Rueckert's team enjoyed its most successful season in the school's history a year ago, posting a 16-7 record, finishing second at the MAC championships and qualifying for the AIAW Regionals for the first time.

Much of the talent from last year's team returns, including MAC champions Sue Weigand and Nancy Martin. As freshmen, Weigand won the No. 1 singles title, Martin was the 14 total, 14 total, and teamed up for the 14 total doubles crown. In fall competition, both garnered 10-0 records.

Men's Track

The Broncos may have the horses to improve their 1981-82 season, as well as two former champions who are coming off injuries, to go along with a fine nucleus of talented point scorers from a year ago.

Curt Walker, the 1981 MAC and Central Collegiate 3,000-meter steeplechase champion, is back for Coach Jack Shaw, as is Carl Hamilton, the MAC champ in the 3,000-meter hurdles.

Women's Track

On the heels of a fifth-place finish in the first conference meet a year ago, Coach Mike Debacker's team should move even higher in 1982 with a talented, young squad.

All-conference performers returning are senior Sue MacDonald and junior Sally Slocum, members of a winning 3,200-meter relay effort last year at Eastern Michigan. MacDonald had a third place finish in the 5,000-meter run. Other top returnees are sprinter Josephine Williams, who qualified for the AIAW Nationals in the 100-meter dash, and Marlene Stojek, who set several hurdle records as a rookie.

Winter athletes receive honors

All-American recognition by the two-mile men's track relay team highlighted several strong performances by 1982 Western winter athletes.

WMU's quartet of Mike Fowler, Kurt Liechty and brothers Gordon and Jack Mcintosh finished sixth at the NCAA indoor championships with a time of 7:30.4. This is the third time in the last four years a Bronco two-mile team has achieved All-American honors.

Meanwhile, hurdler Carl Hamilton, won the 60-yard-holds at the Mid-American Invitational.

The men's basketball season saw guard Walker D. Russell capture All-MAC honors.

McElroy, 34, all-league second-team honors for a second straight year.

McElroy was also named to the Academic All-District team.

In hockey, goalie Steve Abbott was picked on the All-Central Collegiate Hockey Association academic squad.

Alan Scharns of the men's gymnastics team is all-league and shared first place for rings and horizontal bar as Western hosted the Great Lakes League meet. Steve Zazichko was the other co-winner on rings, and Mark Erschen capped pommel horse laurels.

The women's track squad took one title, the distance medley relay, at the MAC Invitational. Team members were Cathy Hecker, Michelle Smith, Sally Slocum and Sue MacDonald.

1982 Football Schedule

Sept. 4 GRAND VALLEY STATE, 1 p.m.
Sept. 11 at Marshall, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 25 KENT STATE, 1 p.m.
Oct. 2 at Bowling Green, 1:30 p.m.
Oct. 9 at Central Michigan, 1:30 p.m.
Oct. 16 MIAMI (Homecoming), 1 p.m.
Oct. 23 at Ball State, 1:30 p.m.
Oct. 30 NORTHERN ILLINOIS, 1 p.m.
Nov. 6 at Toledo, 1:30 p.m.
Nov. 13 OHIO UNIVERSITY, 1:30 p.m.
Nov. 20 at Eastern Michigan, 1:30 p.m.