Two halls to close
In an action related to a decrease in on-campus residence by students this fall, two of the University's 18 on-campus residence halls will be closed starting in January. The halls to be closed are Eicher-LeFevre in the Goldsworth Valley complex on the West Campus and Vandercook on the East Campus.

Paper Tech scholarship fund exceeds goal
The Paper Technology Foundation has exceeded its goal of $500,000 in a scholarship drive to benefit paper science and engineering students at WMU. The funds are being invested, and only the interest is used for scholarships. In the 1981-82 school year, 93 students at Western received a total of $93,395 Paper Technology Foundation scholarships, ranging up to $3,296 for the year.

25-Year Club established
Expressing a desire to recognize "long-time faculty members, administrators and staff members who have completed 25 or more years of employment service," the Board of Trustees has established the 25-Year Club. Membership in the club includes active faculty members, administrators and staff members who have completed 25 or more years of employment service. Currently, 98 persons at the University meet that criterion.

Western Herald wins newspaper award
The Western Herald student newspaper received the highest newspaper award presented by the Associated Collegiate Press (ACP) at the annual meeting of the National Council of College Publications Advisers (NC-CPA) and ACP in St. Louis on Oct. 30.

Western's state appropriation is $1.2 million for pilot-plant expansion
The state has appropriated $1.2 million for the expansion of facilities of Western's Paper Science and Engineering Pilot Plant, according to an announcement by State Senator-elect Robert A. Welborn of Kalamazoo.

State appropriates $1.2 million for pilot-plant expansion

Powell excited about Project EXCITE
It's safe to say that Dr. James H. Powell is excited about Project EXCITE (EXpanding with Computers and Information Technology), the new computer emphasis at Western Michigan University. "I am excited about being EXCITED," Powell said, explaining that his new duties as chairman of the WMU Department of Mathematics to devote full-time as coordinator of Project EXCITE.

"I am excited!" Powell declared. "With this new emphasis, that all students will graduate from Western with at least some computer literacy and facility, WMU is forging a leadership position in the state and in the nation."

Powell provided a progress report on Project EXCITE to the Board of Trustees on Nov. 19, explaining the status of the program since it was announced in September by President Bernhard in his "State of the University" address.

"We've made excellent progress," Powell said. "The project has received overwhelming support from faculty and staff members, from the administration and from students." Powell presented trustees with copies of a new brochure on the project, Project EXCITE: Western, the Computer, and You, which is to be sent to any prospective student who inquires about admission. Copies are available from the Admissions Office.

Powell also described a 27-member Academic Advisory Committee, of which he is the chairman. Under it are organized 13 task forces designed to help implement Project EXCITE throughout the University.

One group of task forces will take the form of "computer inventory" of the campus, determining where computer "hardware" (equipment) and "software" (computer programs) are located and who uses them, and what short-term and long-term needs exist.

Other task forces are to develop computer-literacy workshops for faculty and staff, to disseminate information about the project, to give advice on the distribution of additional computer equipment, to develop proposals for external funding and to serve as a resource for other task forces.

Meanwhile, the gift of a valuable experimental computer plant unit for mechanical and electrical engineers has been announced. The 30-by-40 foot model of a major expansion project at Mead's Escanaba paper mill was valued at $2.5 million when completed three years ago. Built at a scale of 1/16, the model is ideally suited to instruct paper science and other engineering students.

The Board of Trustees has approved a General Fund operating budget of $74,205,800 for the current 1982-83 fiscal year.

That's $2,185,100, or 3 percent more than the 1981-82 budget of $72,020,700, said Robert B. Wetnight, vice president for finance. "We're in balance, but our 1982-83 budget is extremely tight," he said.

Wetnight pointed out that balancing the budget was made especially difficult because Gov. Milliken had issued four executive orders reducing Western's state appropriation by $5,503,192 since Sept. 30, 1981. In addition, an executive order of $6,308,200 was absorbed during the summer of 1982. That cut is being reinstated this fall.

Western's state appropriation is $46,339,700 or $96,100 more than a year ago. Another principal revenue source is tuition and fees, $25,151,100, an increase of $1,921,000, based on rate increases both in mid-year 1981-82 and for the fall of 1982.

Investment income is $750,000, down $350,000 or 32 percent from last year, due to lower interest rates and the lost income on the summer withholding of the state appropriation, Wetnight reported. The prior year carry-over of $1,100,000 is $725,000 more than last year.

Wetnight and Trustee Maury E. Parfet, chairman of the Board's Budget and Finance Committee, noted that spending allocations in all areas of the University have been reduced by $3,847,200. All of the reductions have been made programatically.
Different visions, different promises

Class of '32: The Hilltop Era

Board of Trustee member and 1932 WMU graduate Fred Adams spoke to Western's Class of 1932 on its golden anniversary, celebrated August 20 on campus. In this retrospect, Adams presents a picture of who the members carry campus. In this retrospect, Adams Board of Trustee member and 1932 years ago our campus consisted of Class they carried to the present and hope to carry to the future, and compares the struggles they faced with those of the University now faces in this time of reassessment for higher education.

We represent the "hilltop" era. Fifty years ago our campus consisted of 60 acres lying east of the Michigan Central Railroad, directly atop the hill facing Davis Street. The cable cars ran from the Davis Street level to the hilltop, and most of what they carried to the present were the hill to the majestic front steps of the Administration Building. Classes were held in the Administration Building, Science Building, the Library, Women's Gym and the Campus Training School.

Our off-campus gathering places included Cedar and Davis, Greene's Drug Store at Walnut and Davis, the Oakland Pharmacy, Mrs. McCaslin's Boarding House at Bellevue Place, Schaefer's Brown and Gold Cafeteria on Walnut and Les Graybill's "Little Michigan." Down town there was the New Diana, Cade's Bake Shop, the Chocolate Shop and the China Room Orient Inn and New Asia Chop Suey. A sign of the times is a look at the weekly Western Herald advertisements. Indeed the prices were revealing in comparison to the inflated prices we are living through today.

Real Home Cooked Meals
at the Western Inn
New Fall Shoes at V & A
Hershfield's offered new suits
(Hart Schafner & Marx
with 2 pairs of pants)
Gilmores offered French
flannel berets
J. R. Jones, Dr. West
toothpaste
Alcocols Barber Shop
at foot of Hill: haircuts
Gilmores: men's phoenc
silk hosiery
A date at the theatre meant a trip to the Fuller, Capital State, Ritz, Orpheum or New. If we wanted to drop in for a bite to eat after the show there was always King. Hampton's across South Street from the Capitol for one of their "nickel hamburgers with pickle on top that makes your heart go flippety flop."

Western's faculty in our day numbered 113, but we had a distinct advantage. We had the privilege of sitting in the classrooms of the outstanding professors and teachers who remembered today for their great contributions to Western: Smith, Burnham, William McCracken, Paul Roux, George Sprus, Bertha Davis, Lavinia Spindler, John Hokee, Howard Bigelow, John Everett, Frank Ellis, who said, "The first at Wood, Robert Russell, Manley Ellis, Laura Shaw, Towner Smith and John Gill, to name a few. Dr. Theodore Henry used to pace up and down Davis Street at the foot of the hill just off the campus, puffing on his big black cigar, which was in itself a reminder of the absolute campus taboo against smoking. Of course, no faculty member would have dreamed of throwing a cocktail party, and there was much concern among Dean of Women, Bertha Davis, Dean of Men, Ray Pellett, and President Waldo whether or not women students who dared to bob their hair (much less any of them caught dragging on a cigarette) should be certified for teaching.

Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock meant compulsory assembly for students and faculty in the Women's Gymnasium. We had no dormitory buildings in 29-32 so most of the out-of-town students roomed in private homes located on Lowell, Cedar, Walnut, Vine, Davis, Locust, Oak, Pearl and Bellevue Place at the foot of the hill.

Student activities
Women's and men's debating at Western attracted a large contingent from this class of '32. The men's schedule in '32 included the largest number of debates held in a single year [37] as the question "Resolved that a Substitute for the Capitalist System Should be Adopted in the U.S." Women participated in 22 debates on the question "Should Great Britain Immediately Grant Independence to India."

The players moved their center of activities from the Playhouse at Oakland Drive and Michigan to the newly built Civic Theatre downtown Kalamazoo. For three nights they presented their midway play "The First Mrs. Fraser."

Western's band with 85 members and orchestra with 47 members, both under the direction of George Smith and John Gill, were the largest these two groups had been up to that time. What about athletics 50 years ago? Where did anyone get the idea that today's schedules are so great compared to Western's competition in 1932?

The 1932 baseball schedule included the University of Wisconsin, Universi- ty of Chicago, University of Michigan, Michigan State and Iowa State. Foot- ball opponents numbered University of Detroit, University of Chicago "B" Team, Notre Dame "B" Team, Iowa State, Western Kentucky. Basketball included University of Michigan, Loyola, University of Chicago, Manchester, Ball State, John Carroll and Central Michigan. Teams of calibre were on the track and tennis schedules.

Student parties were held in the Women's Gym, the Men's Gym and on special occasions in the newly decorated ballroom of the Columbus Hotel.

Composition of class
A few words about the composition of our Class of '32. The 1932 Brown and Gold yearbook included 26 pages of pictures of our classmates for a total class of 312 graduates, while the Western Herald listed the names of 448. It is interesting to note all except 17 of our classmates were from Michigan. Those 17 had come to Western from Ohio, Indiana, Tennessee, Massachusetts and Illinois. We had no one in our class from foreign land. This is in contrast to Western's present day enrollment with 5 percent from overseas, the largest group com- ing from far away Malaysia.

Our 1932 grad included 93 from Kalamazoo, 36 from Grand Rapids, 12 from Detroit, 11 from Muskegon, 8 from Battle Creek and so on down the list. Those days we seemed to have drawn more from Michigan's Upper Peninsula, a total of 13 from Vulcan, Norway, Ishpeming, Negaunee, Hancock and Iron Mountain.

In those days we all had to do prac- tice teaching in one of the outlying "training" schools before we were eligible for our A.B. or B.S. degree or our Life Certificate. College classes took us to Richland, Portage, Huron, Paw Paw and the Campus School. Class of '32 Senior Day Exercises were held Tuesday morning, June 15, 1932. Honors were announced, ap- preciation of the seniors was voiced by Dr. Waldo so most of the outlying "training" schools before we were eligible for our A.B. or B.S. degree or our Life Certificate. College classes took us to Richland, Portage, Huron, Paw Paw and the Campus School. Class of '32 Senior Day Exercises were held Tuesday morning, June 15, 1932. Honors were announced, appreciation of the seniors was voiced by Dr. Waldo.

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Promises for the future
I know that every class since that first in 1904 has had reason to believe that they lived through a significant year on Western's campus. However, I would like to stack up our four years against any other period in the history of our alma mater.

You may recall that two months after our enrollment in 1928, Herbert Hoover, with the promise of two cars in every garage and two chickens in every pot, was elected President in a landslide.

A year later in our sophomore class, on a certain day in October, the bottom dropped out of our economy and many of our fellow students had to drop out of school for lack of money to meet college expenses. From our enrollment in 1928 as freshman to our graduation in 1932, Western's enroll- ment dropped from 2,316 to 1,388, nearly half our enrollment in the four- year span. Young men and women simply did not have the money to go to college.

When we entered Western in 1928 the Michigan legislature appropriation was $927,465, and in 1932 that appro- priation had dwindled to $300,000, just about half. As if Dr. Waldo didn't face enough problems, it was during our junior year that a resolution was introduced in the Michigan State Legislature to close Western. To meet the pressure of the strong challenges, President Waldo was forced to reduce the college faculty by 20 percent and salaries were drastically cut.

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Sons of the Polish Revolution:
The 50s and 60s.

The Sons of the Polish Revolution held sway in intramural athletic circles on the campus from 1954 to 1969, not always victorious but always competitive. Among that group was John A. Fallon, BA '69. Because many of them left the University in a period not marked by institutional loyalties, these alumni tended to drift away. But at Homecoming 1982 some 50 members of the group returned to see a football game and then to gather at the Holiday Inn West for a gala dinner. Fallon chatted the group, and amid groans from his compatriots had announced earlier that he would bring a prayer for the occasion.

The Westerner is privileged to print this very moving and heartfelt utterance from Fallon, who is now Dr. John A. Fallon, professor of educational leadership at Ball State University. He has advanced degrees from Northern Michigan University and Michigan State University and devotes his major attention to Ball State's Institute for Community Leadership Development. His wife is the former Sidney Miller, EdD '77.

Lord
If you're really up there—and we latter day children of the 1960s have sufficient reason to wonder about that—we ask that you hear our not so humble prayer. Please consider what at first may appear to be anger and disappointment as a measure of candidness befitting only the best of lifelong friends.

We here tonight are the same benign and placid students who three-stepped, shimmied and boogalooed out of Western Michigan University 13 years ago. We were armed for life's toil and tribulations with a used mortar board, an odd and amorphous collection of academic credits and experiences and an empty diploma case duly inscribed in the greatest tradition of academe. 'Your diploma is not ready yet. Please pick it up at the administration building room 105 next Wednesday.' We were then, hopefully but not realistically as now, awestruck and infatuated with altruism and idealism, precociously naive in the ways of the world and purveyors of a sense of mission that could cut to the core of society's problems. We were ready then to deal with the world we had inherited, and we looked it right square in the eye. We were ready, we ideological soldiers of fortune, but as members of the single largest graduation-year class in the history of the world, we were woefully unprepared.

The unprepared
We were unprepared to deal with an escalating war that was being waged on another planet, for all we knew. Few of us had ever even heard of Hanoi, Danang or Hill Number 891 before, and not one of us had ever been there aside from daily vicarious voyages compliments of the major national television networks.

There was real trouble over that war and some of us felt it firsthand and in a very personal way. Our reaction, like most of the world's, was one of unprecedented confusion—confusion between what we heard and thought and what we felt in our hearts. Malthusian theories be damned!

We were also unprepared to deal with other people: who these people were, parents, as wives, as children and as neighbors. Our knee-jerk reaction in that "world is your oyster" of our lives was to be concerned about ourselves first and foremost, and all others second, if at all. After all it was dog-eat-dog and survival of the fittest, you know, and none of us had ever taken an undergraduate course in how to develop and maintain a lasting and loving relationship. Nor had we been trained beyond our instincts to deal with the hard questions of precious and innocent children.

Perhaps, most devastating of all, we had not been taught to effectively manage our own personal insecurity, fear and selfishness. We had gone from carefree kid to mankind literally overnight and experienced our own personal version of your cursed refining fire. While some of us became stronger for it, as does iron in a forge, some of us became permanently and emotionally scarred. Our empty diploma cases became less coincidental and more prophetic as time went by.

Education for life
We're a lot smarter now. You should be able to see it in our faces. Part of it is because we've become even more adept at concealing our soft and tender spots, but part of it is also because we have come by our education for life the hard way—long after reporting one last time to AD 105. Some of us would even go so far as to say that that has happened in spite of you.

As we sit here tonight and reminisce by conjuring up elusive memories sprinkled liberally with equal measures of self-deprecation and face-saving, we ask that you be with us. We also ask that you help us to be as good for our families and others as we can possibly be. We beckon you to help us find quick and inexpensive cures for male pattern baldness, overweight and the dreaded mid-life crisis. Finally, we ask that you help us and others to save: the baby seals, the economy, the postal system, the air we breathe, the bicameral system of government, the Knollwood Tavern, the captive and latent child in all of us, our cherished memories, and our paternal love for each other.

And now, let this celebration go on. If you're really up there, Lord, we ask all of this in the name of Jesus Amen.
**Sports**

With Harbaugh (center) are the team’s 1982 award winners (from left): Mark Kujasznski, most valuable and top defensive player; Mike Gary, John Gill Scholar-Athlete award; Dave Knapp, President’s-Kevin Bengen award for leadership; Harbaugh; Rob Phillips, top defensive player; Tom Scannell, Mike Gary award as top scout-team player; and Mike Priddle, top special-teams player. The awards were presented at the annual Grid Bust Nov. 23 at the Kalamazoo Center.

**Football record is the best since 1941**

First-year coach Jack Harbaugh has guided the University’s 1982 football team to a 7-2-2 record, the school’s best since a mark of 8-0 in 1941. Moreover, the Broncos claimed second place in the Mid-American Conference, matching the best showing since a co-championship in 1966. The Broncos’ two losses came through a combined total of 11 points, and the club was ranked among the top 20 in NCAA Division I-AA polls for seven consecutive weeks.

The Broncos led all Division I clubs in scoring defense, giving up 7.1 points per game. On offense, WMU established school records for passess (255), completions (126) and passing yardage (1,598).

In reviewing key recruiting needs, Harbaugh listed “linemen with both size and speed” and tight ends as the main priority. The staff also will be seeking defensive backs since none was brought in this year and two regulars graduated. Depth at the linebacker position is another concern.

**Sports Update**

**Men’s Cross Country**

The 1982 men’s cross country team completed its season with a fifth place finish at the Central Collegiate Conference championships, a second at the Track Athletics Congress Midwest meet and a seventh place at the NCAA District IV affair.

Coach Jack Shaw’s runners were also 5-0 in duals and third at both the Purdue and Mid-American invitational.

**Women’s Cross Country**

The Bronco women’s cross country team registered a third place finish at the Mid-American Conference meet, finishing just seven points out of the top spot.

Coach Debbie Hunt’s team was paced by All Mid-American Conference performer Kayla Skelly, Chris Sharp and Melanie Decker. Skelly and Sharp, both freshmen, finished second and third respectively at the league meet, while Decker, a senior, was sixth in the individual field.

**Soccer**

Western’s 1982 soccer team set school records for wins and goals (33) during a 10-8-2 campaign.

Moorhead Kani capped ‘most valuable’ honors for Coach Scott Ferri’ squash, scoring 12 goals and eight assists, the latter figure matching a school mark. Sergio Marcos had 12 points, including eight goals.

Defensively, goalie Kyle Leonard tied another WMU standard with six shutouts and owned a 1.36 goals against average. Senior fullback Mitch Ginsburg was cited as the team’s “top defensive” player.

**Men’s Swimming**

Coach Pete Lindsay’s squad gets a big boost this winter with the return of Tony Ellett, who missed 1982 competition after winning the Mid-American 100-yard backstroke in 1981. Ellett is also the varsity recordholder in the 50 freestyle.

The diving corps will be led by Greg Hul, who was ninth in three-meter stand and 12th on the one-meter board at the 1982 MAC.

**Women’s Swimming**

Miriam Lamp, the 100-yard individual medley varsity record holder, is the only senior Lindsay has on this year’s team.

Other returning standard setters are Murray Smith, 200 freestyle, Rose Smyth in the 200 back and 200 fly, and Laura Conti, 200 breaststroke.

**Volleyball**

At the beginning of the 1982 volleyball season, Western Michigan University’s head coach Rob Buck was in the stage of rebuilding. Forty-one matches later the Broncos were 33-6, and took three tournament championship titles (including the Mid-American Conference crown), plus an automatic berth into the first round of the NCAA championship tournament.

In six tournaments, the Broncos also took a second and a third place finishes.

Besides the tournament hardware, the Bronco spikes added other honors. Juniors Amy Timmers and Jackie Backus and freshman Heather Sawyer were named to the 1982 All-MAC team. Sawyer was also named the conference tournament’s ‘most valuable’ player.

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Send your special gift by December 31st and you’ll receive our special WMU donor deal!
Dear Alumni,

Western Michigan University is not only a place, it is a tradition. Amon~

Each year the WMU Alumni Association sponsors two prestigious awards: Distinguished Alumni and Teaching Excellence. Nominations for these awards are submitted to a committee, and selections are made, with the approval of the board of directors of the WMU Alumni Association. The active faculty designated for Teaching Excellence awards are honored each October at an academic convocation. At that time they receive certificates and tax-free checks for $1,000. The stipends are made possible through alumni gifts each year to the Development Fund.

Distinguished Alumni awards are presented at a dinner following the ac-

Alumni Gatherings

Grand Rapids Members of the Grand Rapids alumni committee have scheduled alumni ac-

Doolittle updates Gary Fund drive

Collections for the 1982 M. J. Gary Fund are now $171,124.84, reports F. William Doolittle, director. "We are slightly ahead for 1981," says Doolittle, "but we have many outstanding pledges that we need to collect before the end of 1982." During this year the Gary Fund has provided for the "Bronco Corral! at football games and "Gold Pride," a real Bronco who appears at all home football games, and is also supportive of such efforts as the Downtown Lunches for both football and basketball, Blue Line Lunches for hockey and the Bronco Grid Bust. Late November phanatical plans were planned to bring the Gary Fund up to its $275,000 goal for this year. Doolittle is also looking for 18 to 20 enthusiasts who will work during the spring on the steering committee for the 1983 Gary Fund.

Alumni questions teaching of basics at college level

In response to an article appearing in the August issue of the Westerner, page 3, "Intellectual Skills Emphasizes 3Rs." Vicki Casperson Wretzky, BA '64, writes: "I'm not (and never was) question-

Alumni Association new life members

Philip M. Collins, BS '57, Kalamazoo.
Deborah Bruce Cunningham, BS '65, Allen Park.
James Curtis and Vivian Foster Curtis, BS '70, Randolph, Mass.
Gary G. Dorch, BA '68, and Frances Dorch, Flat Rock.
Benjamin Ebling, BA '55, and Myrna McNeil Ebling, BA '55, Kalamazoo.
Margaret Preston Gates, BA '64, Newton, Mass.
Thomas A. Malvitz, BS '78, and Maggie Malvitz Malvitz, BS '79, Chippewa, Iowa.
Michael Mauer, BS '79, and Marilyn Kibbe Mauer, BA '56, Kalamazoo.
Gare L. McPherson, BS '60, and Betty Thomas McIntyre, BA '53, MA '66, Kalamazoo.
John F. McBride, BBA '69, Wilmette, Ill.
William E. Mears, BBA '75, MBA '79, Los Angeles, Calif.
Margaret Mount Preston, BS '55, Jackson.
Elva Hagman Prince, Lansing.
Alas Ruhl, BBA '69, Nevada City, Calif.
Martha Wright Shrum, BS '40, Lansing.
Ron T. Smolenski, BBA '70, Ann Arbor.

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Western Michigan University is not only a place, it is a tradition of excellence, concern among.

More than 105,000 persons have graduated, beginning in the early days with one-year certificates for teaching, then two-year life certificates and bac-

calaureate degrees, and then tentative steps into graduate study with a cooperative major program. Finally came specialist and doc-

toral degrees, indicating that Western has reached a pinnacle of educational endeavor. All of this growth was predicated by growth in numbers—and the growing felt deeply about this newness that

knew that the balloon would no longer remain forever at the heights it once not last forever crept in. The baby boom went bust, and the visionaries fly quite so high nor be quite so big. These forces have been at work, and

there is a proper role for alumni in

But while Western must turn back to its clock a bit as to numbers of

worrying about the total educational

students, faculty, programs, support quality that is in the University be

enhance the University in every possi-

directors of the Western Michigan

this great venture, as well as for those

have scheduled alumni ac-

Alumni Association voted to

 prepares and conduct the greatest membership campaign the organization has ever made. It is hoped that in the

months ahead every alumnus who is not now a member will receive a

personal invitation to become a committed partner in the continuum and enhancement of Western Michigan University.

Pledge your loyalty to Western now through membership in the Alumni Association, through gifts to the Development Fund and by the expres-

sion of your concern and faith in a great educational institution, your alma mater.

Russ Strong
1972
Michael McKinley, BA '72, has been named anchorman by Satellite News Channel for its all-news cable channel. It is operated by the Voice of America Co. and Westinghouse. McKinley had been with Mutual Broadcasting.

1974
David L. Kothbauer, BS '74, MA '79, has shown his artistic skills in Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids after selection of his works for the show.

Doris J. Cumbernes, BS '74, MA '79, received her Ph.D. in sociology from WMU in August.

James R. Hulbert, BS '74, practices law in Greenville. He obtained his law degree from WMU's University College and had practiced in Grand Rapids since 1977.

T. R. Kinzie, BS '74, has joined the medical staff of Gordon Health Services' Saginaw Township Centers. He is a physicians' assistant.

1975
Gary L. Beck, MA '75, has been given responsibility as personnel director for the finance and management information services area of Mead Johnson & Co., at Evansville, Ind. He had been manager of employee relations.

Dr. Milo M. Meadows, MA '75, is the new principal of the Parthenon High School. He had been at Napoleonic.

Robert D. Fein, MA '75, earned his doctor of education degree in August from WMU in the field of educational leadership.

Laurence E. Rudolph, MA '75, EdS '76, received his doctor of education degree in educational leadership from WMU in August.

Andrew T. Lopez, BS '75, has his artistic skills in both Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo as a result of his work being selected for the Michigan Artists 80/81 showings.

Peggy A. Miles, BA '75, is director of the Catholic Charities Northern Michigan.

Mary Norcross, MA '75, MBA '79, has been licensed as a CPA by the State of Michigan and works for Lusebrink, Puckey & Co., Jackson.

David J. Storm, BBA '75, MBA '77, has been elected treasurer of the Petroleum Accountants Society of Anchorage, Alaska, where he is employed by Marathon Oil Co.

Donald E. Neale, BA '75, has been ordained to the diaconate of the Roman Catholic Church and is currently serving a year's internship at the St. Monica's Parish, Kalamazoo.

1976
John F. Flank, BS '76 followed up his summa cum laude undergraduate degree with two master's degrees in mathematics, an MS with honors and a Ph.D., an unusual feat, last August. He has joined the faculty at the University of Notre Dame this fall to teach and engage in research.

Donald D. Biggall, BS '76, has been admitted to the State Bar of Michigan. He is a researcher for the Michigan Court of Appeals and earned his law degree at Cooley Law School.

John B. Stoecker, BS '76, has joined the Detroit law firm of Gandelt, Stoecker and Dickson. They are now located in the new Five Lakes Building.

T. Crowder House on East Jefferson.

1977
Smallcombe, BFA '76, had a spring showing of his jewelry at the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C.

Connie Jo Bailey, BA '76, MA '77, is president of the Midwest Dance Asso. and has recently become associated with the Starlet School of Dance at Oscoda.

Dr. John L. Lilly, BFA '77, became acting city manager in Benton Harbor in June, also continuing to serve as community development director.

Nora Crouch Jones, BS '76, MA '79, has been named home care planning coordinator for the patient education department at Bronson Methodist Hospital, Kalamazoo, where she is employed by Bronson Methodist Hospital.

Dr. David R. Turton, BS '76, has completed his medical studies at Wayne State University and is now a resident at the Naval Regional Medical Center, Port Huron.

Brett Formus, BS '76, heads safety and security services for Leila Hotel, Battle Creek.

Theodore D. Apking, BS '77, MA '78, and William F. Uhlan, IV, MA '77, both received D.D. degrees in August from WMU's August commencement.

Denise Lisiecki Wright, BS '77, is now a professional sales representative for Smith Kline & French Laboratories in the Columbus area. She lives in Columbus, Ohio.

Harold E. Fisher, BBA '77, has been promoted to tax manager at the office of Price Waterhouse & Co., Lansing.

Norman F. Baue, Jr., BS '77, in June received doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Kirksville College. He is interning at Taylorsville Osteopathic Hospital.

Jan Dax, BS '77, has been named assistant director of nursing services for the medical/surgical patient care areas at Bronson Methodist Hospital, Kalamazoo.

Alan R. Sorenson, BS '77, is a commercial loan officer at the American National Bank, Kalamazoo.

Gerard J. Tiller, BBA '77, has had her artistic talent displayed in Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids in shows as part of the Michigan Artists 80/81 show.

Mark Kanjiathinhak, BS '77, has been named a therapist at Riverwood Community Health Center in Niles.

Alex A. Delor, BS '77, was featured initially in the Kalamazoo Gazette, and then throughout Michigan, for his work in developing a form near Otsego, although he is blind.

Carolyne Mills Kaiser, MA '77, an assistant professor of nursing at Lake Michigan College, has been a reviewer for the new edition of "Addison-Wesley's Nursing Examination Review."

Alex E. Geers, BS '77, is president and owner of Executive Business Systems at Flint. Last spring he was honored by Cado Systems Corp., Torrance, Calif., as the most outstanding of its 15 distributors worldwide. The award was made at Monte Carlo, Monaco.

Thomas G. King, BA '77, has been admitted to practice law in Michigan. He is an assistant city manager for Kalamazoo.

Howard Updegrove, MA '77, has been named principal of West Ottawa high school, Holland.

John A. McLean, MPA '77, has left Michigan to become city manager of Montpelier, Vt. He had been city manager at Spring Lake.

Capt. David Zimmerman, BS '77, has been transferred from Germany to Selfridge AFB, Mt. Clemens, where he serves as area representative and commander for the Air Force Reserve. He and his wife, Phyllis Martin Zimmerman, BS '77, live in Mt. Clemens, and she is a graduate student.

Ray A. Potter, BBA '77, MA '81, is a partner in a new Grand Rapids business, Fan Central Station, selling dining cars. He was also a WMU accounting instructor.

1978
Lois Bircher, BS '78, and Nep Urpinus, BS '78, both received Ph.D. degrees in educational leadership and chemistry, respectively, at WMU's August commencement.

Phyllis J. Hartman, BS '78, and David Knight, BS '78, were exhibitors in the Michigan Artists 80/81 exhibition in Kalamazoo.

David R. Gelinus, MA '78, is the new director of financial aid at Northern Michigan College in Traverse City.

Clifford J. McKinstry, BS '78, received his law degree from the University of Toledo in June.

Denise Dempsey, BBA '78, has moved from WMU to the law school in San Francisco as accounting manager. She is also a certified public accountant.

Ann Kinseiskeye, BS '78, has taken a part-time post with Catholic Family Service of Middletown. She is an assistant professor of social work at Saginaw Valley State College.

Sherry Carter Bump, MBA '78, has been promoted to division manager, Lake Erie Division, Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp. Her headquarters is now in Clevelend.

Michael H. Kuer, BM '78, is a lecturer/recitalist in the Music School when not occupied with his composing.

Bryan Klineketer, BS '79, MA '80, as he can be seen from his vantage point as a blind rehabilitation counselor. Working for the Foundation for the Blind in Los Angeles, he has been a consultant for a TV movie, "The Zertigo Dimension," and a consultant that aired Sept. 28. As the filming progressed he was offered a bit part, and estimates he was on-camera for "all of five seconds." He's the one helping the blind boy load a bus.

Rudolph J. Marcelletti, BS '78, has received his law degree from Cooley Law School, Lansing.

José T. Chacon, BA '81, MA '81, has been named home care planning coordinator at Leila Hospital, Battle Creek.

He and his wife, Josephine T. O'Brien, BFA '79, live in Mt. Clemens, and she teaches guitar at the Kalamazoo School of Music.

Ronald A. Berridge, BBA '79, has been elected to the executive board of the Michigan Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse and was invited to present her findings before the international Congress for the Prevention of Child Abuse, which first aired in September 1979.

Tonya A. Short, BBA '79, has received his juris doctor degree from the University of Toledo, working with Arthur Andersen & Co., Grand Rapids.

Timothy L. Waller, BS '79, has been named the top assistant to the head basketball coach at Eastern Illinois University, Charleston.

Bruce J. Dunn, BBA '79, has been licensed as a certified public accountant and is with Massey Cohn & Co., Lansing.

Lt. Richard E. Trapp, BS '79, completed USAF pilot training and received his silver wings at Reese AFB, Texas.

Ricky R. Davis, MA '79, has been assigned to the Department of Probation and Parole.

Gloria J. Badiner, BS '79, MS '82, was presented a Distinguished Graduate Student Award at the University of Michigan. She is an assistant professor of social work at the University of Michigan.

James C. Womack, BS '79, and James A. Parker, BBA '79, have both received their CPA certification from the State of Michigan. Both are with Lusebrink, Puckey & Co., Battle Creek.

Mark C. Charter, BS '79, is now circuit court law clerk at Allegan, following his graduation from Cooley Law School, Lansing.

Sanita Hodge Vollick, MA '79, was teacher of the month for May in Wayland.

Teressa Brennan, BS '79, has entered law practice in Brighton with her father. She received her JD degree from Cooley Law School.

1980
Kathy Trautman, BBA '80, has been promoted to product specialist for the First National Bank.

Robert H. Knapp, BM '80, has graduated from the Washington University Medical School-Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology as a radiology technologist and is now with the Barnes Memorial Hospital, St. Louis.

Charles Brouwer, MA '80, Keith A. Maki, BBA [1980, and Mary Owen Rosenhain, MA '80, will be among those who will exhibit in the Michigan Artists 80/81 juried show in Kalamazoo.

David M. Graver, BS '80, has been promoted by Gulf Consolidated Piping Group at Houston as district sales manager for its oil and gas production and transmission equipment.

Carolyn M. Nock, BA '80, MA '81, received her specialist in education degree in psychology from WMU in August.

John A. Short, BBA '79, has received his juris doctor degree from the University of Toledo, working with Arthur Andersen & Co., Grand Rapids.

1981
Jean M. Almlich, BS '81, is now medical administration coordinator for Health Circle in Kalamazoo in a new health care organization and a subsidiary of Blue Cross and Blue Shield.
Brown & Gold—Among the more than 1,000 high school and transfer students and their parents who attended Brown & Gold Day Nov. 13 was Nina Williams (right), a senior at Bronson High School, shown talking with Dr. David Chaplin, chairman of the Department of Sociology. In addition, high school and community college administrators also attended. Students could obtain counseling and information on admission to Western in addition to touring the campus.

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The Politics of the First Christmas

By Paul L. Maier

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. . . .

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child.

LUKE 2: 1-5

The first person mentioned in Luke’s familiar story of Christmas was neither Palestinian, nor Jew, nor shepherd, nor wise man. In fact, he would seem to have had nothing at all to do with the story, for he was the Roman emperor, Caesar Augustus. And yet it was his decision, 1,500 miles away in Rome, which started the train of events that finally led to the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem.

Under normal circumstances, Jesus would have been born in Nazareth, the home of Joseph and Mary. But as Luke explains, Augustus decreed an enrollment or census of his vast empire, and all subjects of Rome had to return for registration at their ancestral hometowns. Since both Joseph and Mary were distant descendants of the much-married King David, they prepared to travel down to David’s city, the sleepy little town of Bethlehem in the Judean hills six miles southwest of Jerusalem.

Was This Trip Necessary?

Their Mary was not about to endure the rigors of this eighty-mile journey on the back of a jogging donkey while in a state of very advanced pregnancy has been doubted by some scholars. Rome never required her subjects to return to their original homes for such enrollments, they claim, and Luke must have garbled his facts. But this view has been disproved by the discovery of a Roman census edict from 104 A.D. in neighboring Egypt, in which tax-payers who were living elsewhere were ordered to return to their original homes for registration. An obscure Galilean couple had to obey a distant Caesar, and earlier the Roman general Pompey had conquered Palestine, and the land orbited perforce into the Roman universe. Currently, it was under Rome’s control as a “province” ruled by a local king. Herod the Great, who was directly responsible to the Roman emperor.

Augustus himself, the grandnephew and adopted heir of Julius Caesar, was Rome’s first emperor. His fascinating career began in the bloody civil wars of the late Roman republic, continued beyond a victorious showdown with his arch rival Mark Antony, and culminated in a lengthy era of peace and prosperity, well styled the Pax Augusta, for Augustus created and preserved the happy concord throughout the 44 years of his rule—a less familiar than the vaunted glories of Roman cities, but also the Roman system of taxation. But the emperor was pleased enough with the results that he proudly mentioned his census. Unfortunately, he reported figures only for that Roman date, 767 A.U.C. (“ab urbe condita,” “from the founding of the city”) all because of that unknown subject, born in Bethlehem. And he would have been amazed that future generations would wish each other a “Merry Christmas” rather than “Io Saturnalia!”—that great end-of-the-year festival in Rome which featured pagan delights and many of the holiday trappings of our secular yuletide, including holly, mistletoe, and evergreens, the exchange of gifts, and much feasting and drinking.

The census of 28 B.C. showed 4,233,000 Roman citizens.
The census of 14 A.D. showed 5,556,000 Roman citizens.

At the time of Augustus’ death in 14 A.D., Jesus was about 19 years old, an apprentice carpenter in Nazareth, and the emperor still could not possibly have heard of him. He would have been astounded to know that later ages would assign his own death to the year 14 A.D. (“in the year of the Lord”) rather than the Roman date, 767 A.U.C. (“ab urbe condita,” “from the founding of the city”) all because of that unknown subject, born in Bethlehem. And he would have been amazed at future generations would wish each other a “Merry Christmas” rather than “Io Saturnalia!”—that great end-of-the-year festival in Rome which featured pagan delights and many of the holiday trappings of our secular yuletide, including holly, mistletoe, and evergreens, the exchange of gifts, and much feasting and drinking.

But the successors of the emperor and of the baby would discover each other soon enough.

“The Politics of the First Christmas” is adapted from the first chapter of Paul L. Maier’s book, First Christmas: The True and Unfamiliar Story, (Harper & Row). Dr. Maier is a professor of ancient history at WMU. His latest book, The Flames of Rome (Double- day and Signet paperback) deals with the question of why Nero persecuted the Christians so horrendously after the great fire of Rome.

Maier is also the author of First Christmas, First Easter, and First Christians, which have just been published in a boxed trilogy set in paperback. An earlier documentary novel, Pontius Pilate, has been purchased for television.