Four honored as record number graduate in April

Dance master, scientist given honorary degrees

Erick Hawkins, an internationally known dance master, and John W. Nelson, a distinguished research scientist, were awarded honorary degrees by Western at the weekly commencement on Saturday, April 23. Hawkins, considered one of America’s finest male dancers, has headed his own world-renowned dance company. He studied under Harald Kreutzberg, George Balanchine, and Martha Graham. His dance theory has provided the philosophical base upon which the Western Department of Dance has developed.

Nelson retired in 1974 from The Upjohn Company. He studied physics and mathematics at WMU from 1925 to 1928. Though holding no collegiate degree, he attained the rank of senior research scientist at Upjohn.

In his research, Nelson provided the key technical breakthrough in the development of a drug used to prevent organ transplant rejection. He was able to isolate and purify a chemical from horse blood, leading to the development of ATGAM by The Upjohn Company. The drug was licensed by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in 1981.

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Dr. Edward W. Harkenrider, director of student financial aid and scholarships for sixteen years, and Dr. Ralph N. Miller, professor of English and a member of the faculty for thirty-seven years, were named recipients of Distinguished Service Awards presented during the April 23 commencement ceremony.

The awards, established in 1980 by WMU President John T. Bernhard to recognize the contributions of faculty and staff members, include a plaque and a $1,000 honorarium. This is the first year two awards have been given at the same time.

Harkenrider, a nationally known leader in student financial aid administration, came to Western as financial aid director in 1967. Today he administers a program that provides more than $25 million in financial aid each year from private, state, and federal sources.

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It appears that Gov. Blanchard has recognized the financial plight of higher education in this state,” said President John T. Bernhard, responding to the word of Gov. James J. Blanchard’s recommended 7.5 percent budget increase for the state’s regional universities for 1983-84.

The amount of increase for Western would be $3.7 million. The boost, totaling $26 million, would provide a 9 percent increase for the so-called “Big Three” institutions: Michigan, Michigan State, and Wayne State.

“It’s an encouraging sign, and we’re very grateful,” said Bernhard, who is the current chairman of the Presidents Council of State Colleges and Universities.

Bernhard noted that the increase does not include $1.8 million in funds withheld from Western in a recent executive order by Blanchard, which is scheduled to be returned to the University in June 1984.

A schedule of repayment for some $12.3 million in deferred funds for Western announced in March by State Treasurer Robert A. Bowman calls for the funds to be returned to Western in stages through September 30, the end of the state’s fiscal year.
Two named for Board positions

WMU alumna Carol A. Waszkiewicz, an English teacher at Kalamazoo Central High School, and Geneva Jones Williams, vice president for planning of United Community Services of Metropolitan Detroit, have been named to the Board of Trustees.

Both were appointed by Gov. James J. Blanchard to eight-year terms that expire December 31, 1991. Waszkiewicz replaces J. Michael Kemp, who resigned from the Board at the expiration of his three previous terms. Williams replaces Dr. Julius Franks Jr. of Grand Rapids, a charter member of the Board who was first appointed in 1964.

"Western is once again blessed with the appointment of two outstanding trustees, each of whom will bring to the Board and University a unique and refreshing perspective," said President John T. Bernhard. "All of us in the University community look forward to working with them on the Board.

"We will certainly miss Dr. Franks as a valued colleague on the Board. But we continue to trust that we can take comfort in knowing that we share a long and valuable friendship that can only continue to grow. We hope to see Dr. Franks on the campus often," said President John T. Bernhard.

A native of Kalamazoo, Waszkiewicz received her B.A. degree in secondary education in 1959 and her M.L.S. degree in secondary library management in 1975, both from Western. Waszkiewicz, a former Kalamazoo County commissioner, currently serves as a member of the board of the John and Michigan Greenberg Scholarship fund. She is finance chair for U.S. Rep. Howard Wolpe, and is a member of the Kalamazoo County Board of Public Health and chair of its ad hoc committee on environmental health.

An English and speech graduate of Morgan State University in Baltimore, Mrs. Williams holds a master of social work degree from Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania. She is a member of several committees of the Urban Coalition in Detroit, among them are community self-determination and the comprehensive youth program.

She also is a member of the Women's Economic Club of Detroit, the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women, and serves as president of Black Family Development, Inc. She is a member of the National Association of Black Social Workers and the YWCA of Metropolitan Detroit. She has been a faculty member at the Detroit College of Business.

Alumnus wins "Gandhi" Oscar

John Briley, 57, recently received an Oscar from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for best original screenplay for the film "Gandhi." He is a Kalamazoo native who attended Western shortly before serving in World War II as an aircraft navigator.

Briley earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees in English at the University of Michigan, graduating Phi Beta Kappa. He also studied at the Shakespeare Institute in Stratford-on-Avon, England. He began his screen writing career at British MGM. His credits include several positions at the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

He received his B.S. degree in mechanical engineering in 1954 from RHT, M.S. in mechanical engineering in 1959 from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Ph.D. in aerospace engineering in 1966 from the University of Arizona. A registered professional engineer in Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan, Matthews has served as a reviewer of examination questions for the National Society of Examiners, has received his Master of Science in Engineering and Education, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Academic name changes approved

Name changes for four academic units at the University were recently approved by the WMU Board of Trustees.

A merger of the former departments of Agriculture, Distributive Education, and Home Economics was completed to create the new Department of Consumer Resources and Technology. It is part of the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, and is chaired by Dr. Sue S. Coates.

The Department of Finance and Commercial Law was previously known as the Department of Business General. A part of the College of Business, it is headed by Dr. William F. Morrison.

The third departmental change consisted of the Department of Business Education and Administrative Services becoming the Department of Business Information Systems. Also part of the College of Business, this department is chaired by Dr. Leo Niemi.

The School of Librarianship has been renamed the School of Library and Information Science. It is being run by interim director, Dr. Laurel A. Grothjenger, dean of The Graduate College and chief research officer at Western. The name changes were designed to more accurately reflect the realities of the respective educational structures and programming changes made in recent years.

Matthews appointed dean, engineering and applied sciences

Dr. James B. Matthews, dean of engineering and technology at Bradley University, Peoria, IL, is now the dean of the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences at Western. His appointment, effective April 1, was approved on April 22 by the University's Board of Trustees.

He replaces Dr. W. Chester Fitch, who resigned on April 2, 1982 after serving nine years as dean. In the interim, Albert Boughner, assistant dean, has been serving as acting dean.

Matthews will be returning to Western, where he served as professor and chairman of the mechanical engineering department from 1978 until 1982, when he accepted a newship at Bradley. Previously, he held several positions at the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

Matthews is active in the Association of Energy Engineers, National Society of Professional Engineers, Society of Automotive Engineers, the American Basic Skills, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

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Computers are vital tools in chemistry class and beyond.

A vital tool being used by Western students in courses taught by Robert E. Harmon, professor of chemistry, is the University’s link to the Chemical Abstract Services (CAS) online computer system in Columbus, OH.

The CAS contains the chemical formulas for some six million substances and is adding 7,000 new substances weekly to its data bank, Harmon noted.

He said the use of the CAS system by his students is yet another facet of Project EXCITE, Western’s campus-wide computer emphasis. Project EXCITE (which stands for Expanding with Computers and Information Technology) stresses the concept that it is also a critical source of information to the biological sciences for learning the biological properties of chemicals.

He noted that there is an increasing demand for persons trained in chemical information retrieval who also have facility in CAS system functions. As a consequence, he added, students who acquire such knowledge may easily secure positions in industry as chemical information retrieval specialists.

Harmon has collaborated with Hardy Carroll, assistant professor of librarianship, in developing the computer instructional program that is included in the chemical and scientific literature courses Harmon teaches here.

Harmon observed that before the inauguration of the CAS system by the Department of Chemistry, faculty members and students had to laboriously rifle through bound volumes of CAS indexes to obtain information on chemicals, their structures, and properties.

He noted that the CAS system is also important for research in physics, engineering, paper chemistry, the biological sciences, geochemistry, metallurgy, pharmacology, radiation chemistry, and toxicology.

New room and board rates approved

A 5 percent increase in room and board rates, and the establishment of a variable meal plan option for 1983-84 has been approved by the WMU Board of Trustees. A 10 percent increase was also approved for 1983-84 monthly apartment rates.

Robert B. Wetenight, vice president for finance, recommended a $108 increase, from $2,131 to $2,239 for room and board, including a standard twenty meals per week, for fall and winter semesters, September through April. The fifteen meal option will be $30 less per semester; this plan will not provide food service on Saturdays and Sundays.

Wetenight explained that the increases are "cost driven," citing salaries and utilities.

A breakdown of room rates is as follows: summer, $215; fall, $451; winter, $435; and spring, $219. The $2 per day premium for a single room will not change. Rates for the twenty meal plan are: fall, $665; winter, $688; and spring, $323.

Digital gift—The Digital Equipment Corp. (DEC) has given the University $130,000 for use in the John E. Fetzer Business Development Center, through the “Partners in Progress” capital campaign.

"Western is deeply grateful for this generous gift," said President John T. Bershader, left. With him, from left, are Robert Trocchi of Boston, DEC educational products manager; Ronald Eisenhauer of Chicago, DEC regional sales manager, and Dr. Ronald DeYoung, assistant dean of business and director of the Business Research and Service Institute. The Institute will be headquartered in the Fetzer Center, now under construction on the University’s west campus.

The gift of computer hardware, software, and maintenance will help provide WMU with the most advanced equipment available from DEC.

Chemical search—Even an international student not too familiar with English can easily search out a chemical substance structure using the Chemical Abstract Service Online text structure method of searching, according to Robert Harmon, chemistry professor.

Seated, Saeid Yazdani, a senior from Iran, is receiving instruction from Harmon, rear, on the basics of a TAS-80 personal computer in McCracken Hall.

More than 900 'Meet WMU'

More than 900 prospective students and their parents from eighteen Southwest Michigan counties participated in "Meet WMU Night" on April 13 in Western’s Student Center.

More than 100 academic departments and student services offices were represented at the annual event, described by its sponsors as "a mammoth effort to help admitted, interested, and undecided students explore an education at Western."

The event, held each year, is intended to help admitted students make a smooth transition from high school to Western and to help undecided students determine which college or university they may wish to attend, according to Duncan C. Clarkson, director of admissions.
Eighty years of teaching, research, and public service:
Western Michigan University 1903-1983

This year, Western Michigan University celebrates eighty years of teaching, research, and public service. As the recognized major institution of higher education in southwestern Michigan, Western strives to meet the increasing complexity of educational needs of the state, region, and nation.

Your private support of Western is increasingly important in helping the University maintain and extend quality programs. Today, as Western faces severe financial pressures and the sources of support to higher education are shifting, strong voluntary support is vital to WMU's financial stability.

Your private gifts—whether for the "area of greatest need" or the program in which you have special interest—help provide scholarships, grants-in-aid, faculty/student research, library resources, instructional equipment, and other educational aids which are not funded through state assistance.

Help celebrate eighty years of quality education at Western! Complete the contribution form at the right, clip, and mail your tax-deductible gift to Western Michigan University Foundation, B-3 Hillside, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan, 49008.

Thomas scholarship fund established through untrust

A retired member of Western's occupational therapy faculty and her husband have found a charitable remainder trust to be the ideal way for them to give and receive at the same time. Don and Jane Thomas, long-time residents of Kalamazoo, say they are most pleased with the results of their untrust and "are delighted to be able to help other people's children because we had none of our own."

During Jane's years on the faculty, she served on scholarship committees and saw the need for financial support to help students obtain their education.

When asked why they chose the untrust approach in making their gifts, the Thomases said, "We had arrived at a time in our lives when we were thinking about selling our house and moving to an apartment. We saw a mailing from Planned Giving Services at Western and inquired whether it would be possible to use our house to fund a charitable trust."

The Thomases received an income tax deduction for the gift portion of their trust and, since its establishment, have made additional contributions to the trust's principal.

"We knew we wanted to help students in the OT program, but we also knew we couldn't give up the income from those assets while we were alive," said Mrs. Thomas. "We've combined the untrust with a provision in our wills in favor of Western. The trust and their wills are set up in such a way that, upon their passing, the trust principal and the bequest from the untrust go to the Don and Jane Thomas Scholarship Fund. The Thomases said, "We've been delighted to be able to set up this trust and with the quarterly income checks it provides. We hope others realize that this type of approach works to everyone's advantage and we would encourage people to investigate this possibility."

Jane has retired from the OT department, but keeps busy with a variety of artistic and church activities. Don continues to work for Miller-Davis Company in Kalamazoo as a construction project accountant. Western is pleased to count them among our major benefactors and to know that future generations of students will benefit from the Thomas Scholarship Fund. For further information on how such a trust can benefit you and your family, please contact the Foundation Office.
Among Alumni

Association conducts phonathon for members

Earlier this year the WMU Alumni Association embarked on a phonathon membership campaign. Association members from Battle Creek, Branch County, Dearborn, and Lansing volunteered an evening of their time to call other Western graduates in their areas.

At its October meeting, the WMU Alumni Association's Board of Directors approved a membership fee rate increase effective April 1. The phonathon campaign was conducted to inform alumni of this increase and provide them with the opportunity to take advantage of the lower rates.

For a first-ever attempt at such a campaign, the response was encouraging. New membership pledges were made by ninety-one alumni, with an equal number indicating a desire for further information who promised to consider membership.

To date, thirty-six pledges have been returned. If you are one of the remaining fifty-five who have yet to return your membership pledge, please do so. A well deserved round of applause goes to the following volunteer callers:


A special thank you to Bob Zakar, Jan and Bill Robinson, Judi and Bill Dolezal, and Keith Pretty for serving as area coordinators. Stan Bushouse, Pat Laughlin, and John Bromley generously opened their offices for use during the campaign.

ABE corner

Congratulations ABE Chapters! Collectively, Alpha Beta Epsilon raised $500 for the Oaklands refurbishment project.

Idea Sharing: Alpha chapter's Pat Carey writes, "Our February meeting is normally a luncheon held on Thursday, our regular meeting day. This year, program chairman Bev Thomsen scheduled it for a Saturday. We had an unusually large turnout and a fine mid-winter get-together, as both working and retired members found it easy to attend."

It worked for Alpha—it's an idea worth considering for your chapter.

Other meeting program ideas sent by Alpha chapter's Eileen Smith. Members enjoyed a presentation of kitchen gadgets made by a local store owner. Eileen and members also visited the Nature Center in Albion. Almost every community has a nature center. Have your members visited the one in your community? Thanks to these chapters for sharing their program ideas.

Branch alumni meet!

The third annual spring dinner for Branch County WMU alumni was held April 30 at the Coldwater Country Club. Joining Branch County alumni was Fred Decker, WMU baseball coach, who accompanied former Coldwater high school baseball player Aaron Rohloff, now a junior pitcher.

Golden Associates formation announced

The Western Michigan University Alumni Association is pleased to announce the formation of the Golden Associates, a group comprised of all WMU alumni who have celebrated the 50th anniversary of their graduation from Western.

The idea for this group came from the alumni themselves, according to M. Jamie Jeremy, assistant alumni director. "Each year at the Golden Anniversary Reunion, many returning alumni express the wish to get together again." It is our hope that the initiation of the Golden Associates will permit this to occur on a more frequent basis.

The Associates' inaugural event will take place Friday, June 17, when they will join the class of 1983 for their reunion dinner in the WMU Student Center beginning at 6 p.m.

WMU Golden Associates who have not yet received an invitation to the June 17 dinner should contact the WMU alumni office for more information.

CAREERS ASSIGNED

More than 200 children of WMU alumni in Southwest Michigan participated in a special career-assessment and counseling program sponsored by testing and evaluation, alumni relations, and academic advising in early April. In the program, offered without charge, the high school juniors and seniors took Western's Career Guidance Assessment and then returned for a personal interview.

It's PARty time!

Bill Doolittle is heading up three golf outings planned this summer for Bronco fans.

The first confrontation with par will be at Hastings on June 23, with Lou Lang directing activities as he has throughout that day's long history. On June 27 the fun moves to Grand Rapids Forest Hills Golf Course, with Al Emmons and Wayne Baskerville working on details.

Closing out the "special" golf season will be the Bronco Outing on Monday, July 25, at the Gull Lake Country Club. Bruce Griffin and Ford Kiefer are on this committee.

Alumni Association new life members

Yvonne J. Anderson, BBA '73, Battle Creek
Thomas Auburn, BBA '70, and Sally Auburn, student, Battle Creek
Steven H. Barker, BBA '73, and Kathryn Barker, former student, Battle Creek
Robert M. Baskerville, BS '52, MA '74, and Phyllis Braham, student, Battle Creek
Thomas Beed, BS '82, and Nancy Roland Bead, BBA '80, Kalamazoo
Wayne Bergh, BS '64, Battle Creek
Paul M. Brown, Lincolnton, NC
Lawrence A. Calkins, BS '72, Battle Creek
William Cozert, BBA '74, and Kathleen Cozert, Battle Creek
William Hamann, BS '61, Kalamazoo
Mary A. Hutton, BA '63, Battle Creek
Pamela Wilson Husted, BA '64, Albuquerque, NM
Graig Hunniford, BBA '72, Crane Pointe
Tayye Hwaad, BS '50, Yokohama, Japan
William Kinner, BBA '81, Kalamazoo
Brenda Kinnick, BS '72, and Robert Kinnick, Battle Creek
Paul M. Kippel, MA '72, MA '73, and Susan
Albert Knapp, BS '91, Battle Creek
Dorothy Lane, BS '74, Coldwater
Patrick L. Laughlin, BS '74, Delray
Robert B. Lowczak, BA '74, Colorado Springs, Co
Roman Maidl, BA '49, and Araceli Maidl, BS '71, Darien
David D. Loizeau, BA '74, Battle Creek
Judy Lozier, BS '80, Edwardsburg
Robert M. Luckholt, BS '74, Colorado Springs, CO
Barbara Mallonee, BA '74, and Araceli Maidl, BS '71, Darien
Weisen R. Moore, BS '53, Wisconsin, VT
Glory Scoville Muncaster, BS '71, MA '74, MA '81, Battle Creek
Lorrie Thayer Myers, BS '56, MA '59, Haines City, FL
Bradley M. McNicol, BS '71, East Lansing
Douglas J. Oleksa, BIS '59, MA
Samuel J. Polish, BS '70, Lisle
Sherman A. Portz, BS '64, and Linda Madill
Peterman, BA '60, Muscatine
Jack Robertson, BA '56, and Allen Robertson, former student, Quincy
Daniel J. Schrock, BS '63, and Dorisella Kolata
Schrock, BS '63, Battle Creek
Mark T. Shumaker, BS '87, MA '90, Battle Creek
Donald L. Starky, BBA '41, Battle Creek
Thomas J. Vance, BS '80, Canton, Bronco Vance
BS '80, APO New York
John F. Wagner, BS '59, East Lansing
Robert A. Zakar, BBA '71, Dearborn
Christina A. Ziel, BBA '81, Southfield
Health Association in Michigan. He spent twenty-eight years with the Association, ten years as president. He was also a part-time faculty member at Wayne State University for thirteen years. Kifer and his wife plan to live in England Harbor on the Keweenaw Peninsula.

After thirty-five years with the Marshall schools, Joe Cooper, BS '48, SED '65, will retire July 1. For the last twenty-two years he has been administrative assistant to the superintendent. He was recently elected president of the American Amateur Baseball Congress, for a term which runs until late 1986. He will move the AAC office from Akron, OH to Marshall.

1952
James C. Sterling, LC '52, now bedridden after a series of health setbacks, would enjoy corresponding with old WMU friends. He can be contacted at the Oakview Medical Long Care Facility, 1000 Diana, Ludington 49431.

1953
John A. Russell, BS '53, has been selected as president of the Hospital Association of Pennsylvania. He had been vice president since 1975. He lives in Hershey, PA.

1957
Dr. John E. Ryo, BA '57, MA '63, is now executive director of the Illinois Education Association. B a former president of the National Education Association, Ryo received a WMU Distinguished Alumni Award in 1978. He lives in Springfield, IL.

1958
Richard R. Ford, BS '58, became general manager of the Victor Products Division of the Dana Corporation last December. He has moved to Lisle, IL from Gastonia, NC, where he had been vice president of the National Education Association. Ryo received a WMU Distinguished Alumni Award in 1978. He lives in Springfield, IL.

1960
Dr. Ruth Derby Barnhard, BS '60, MA '64, was one of eight faculty at Iowa State University Ames to be cited as an "Outstanding Faculty" member. She has taught there since completing her doctorate in elementary education at Michigan State University in 1975.

William Bugera, BBA '60, is the new general manager of business services for Michigan Bell in Detroit, moving from planning and financial assurance.

Patrick D. Schiller, BS '60, MA '64, has been newly appointed to the Aviation Council of Michigan, a recently established representative group of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission. Schiller is a member of WMU's transportation technology staff.

1961
Wilford Butler, Jr., BA '61, will receive the Executive Bowl Award of the American Society of Association Executives next September in recognition of his long service. He is executive director of Delta Upsilon Fraternity, with headquarters in Indianapolis.

1962
Northwest Bancorporation, Minneapolis, has elected David R. Downs, BBA '62, senior vice-president-human resources. He had been with Tenneco Corp. since 1969, most recently as corporate executive director-human resources at Houston, TX. He lives in Silverado, NV.

Florence Elizabeth Barrett Thompson, TC '09, is a rare alumnus, for on April 20 she celebrated her 100th birthday. A native of Alleghany County, she came to Western in 1912 and 1912 married Frank Thompson, a Paw Paw mortician. They enjoyed fifty-two years together until his death in 1964. Mrs. Thompson has one surviving child. Two other children previously died. She also has seven grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. Mrs. Thompson now lives at Franciscan Villa, 17110 East 51st St., Broken Arrow, OK.

1963
Erik Krouth, BS '63, has been appointed deputy director of Kalamazoo's new department of human services. Dr. Charles T. Lynch, BA '63, MA '66, is listed in the 42nd edition of "Who's Who in America." He is now professor/chair, department of radio-television-film, California State University, Northridge.

Charles W. Walton, III, MBA '63, has been elected a vice president of Ransburg Corp., Indianapolis, moving there from Brookfield, WI.

1964
Lothar P. Fischer, MC '64, is living in West Berlin and working as an artist, writer, and teacher. He has authored four books and written numerous catalogs, as well as articles on art. His address is 1 Berlin 12 Schliessestra 17. He and his wife have two children.

Ralph Midcalf, MA '64, is a Battle Creek city commissioner, in addition to teaching in the Lakeview Woodrow School.

Tom Ravec, BA '64, MA '66, is now president of the Norris Division, Dover Corporation, at Tulsa, OK. His wife is the former Sandra Kay Miller, BS '64. Robert Tucker, BBA '64, MBA '67, has been named to the Junior Orange Bowl Tennis committee for 1983 at Miami, FL. He is presently a trial lawyer in Miami.

1965
Richard J. Coleman, BS '65, received Coach of the Year honors from NICAA Region III as both his men's and women's cross-country teams won titles for Mohawk Valley Community College.

Dr. Ronald DeYoung, BS '65, MBA '67, has been designated a "Distinguished President" by Optimist International for his service as president of the Kalamazoo Optimist Club in 1981-82.

Toby Lincoln, BS '65, MA '68, has been a candidate in psychology at the University of Michigan, and is in private practice in psychotherapy and in feedback at the Rocky Mountain Institute for Health and Performance, Boulder, CO.

Kenneth A. McCloud, BBA '66, MBA '66, has been named a vice president of Illinois Bell, moving from several management-business services for Michigan Bell. He earned his law degree at the Detroit College of Law in 1977.

1966
Donald McDowell, BS '66, is the new vice president of ADA divisions for the American Automobile Association. He had been general manager of APA-Potomac. He is now responsible for eleven divisions. His office is in Falls Church, VA.

Paul D. McNitt, BBA '66, is the new senior vice president and manager of the Atlanta office of Paul R. Ray & Co. He had formerly been president and principal owner of McKinnis & Goodwin, an executive search firm.

1967
Ralph W. Bennett, MBA '67, is now corporate director of process and facilities engineering for General Foods Corp. After seven years in Battle Creek, he is now in Tarrytown, NY.

James C. Hendrick, BS '67, is the new superintendent of the North Muskegon School District. He had been principal of L. C. Mohr High School in South Haven.

Edward Shirley, BS '67, has joined the department of communicative disorders at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque.

1968
Dr. Richard Markoff, BA '68, former WMU alumni director, is the new president of St. Vincent's Hospital and Medical Center Foundation at Toledo, OH. He had been with Adrian College since 1977.

1950
Jane Britton Killmer, BA '50, and James A Smith, in Fenton, Jane is in her twenty-sixth year of teaching at Fenton.

1961
Carl J. Wenz, BBA '61, and Ann Alexander, March 20 in Kalamazoo. He is with the Deaebear Investment Group, Schenck, IL.

1971
David E. Holacker, BS '71, and Ellen Prevent, Nov. 13 in Oakland Hills.
1973
Laurence E. Holland, MA '73, and Sheryl Macken, March 14 in Water Valley. He is with Xerox Corp. and they live in Kalamazoo.

1975
Charles D. Rushmore, BS '75, and Martha Hagerty, BS '82, December 18 in Kalamazoo. He is in marketing with Triad Systems Corp. and she is a graduate student in Fort Myers.

Hagerty, Boone, March 26 in Washington, DC. She is with Xerox Corp. and they live in Kalamazoo.

January 29 in Detroit. He is with Barry's Jewel Foods and Davis, Feb. 26 in Kalamazoo.

1976
Michele Lewis, BS '76 and Jonathan C. Boone, March 26 in Washington, DC. She is a special education teacher in the Montgomery County schools.

1978
Gerald P. Duerfe, BA '78, and Georgia Luce, January 29 in Detroit. He is with Barry's Restaurant and Deli, Houston, TX.

Nancy Hinga, BS '78, and Richard H. Wright, Feb. 19 in Kalamazoo. She is with Allen Teaproducts.

Susan Schiller, BS '78, and David McElhin, Nov. 12 in Muskegon. She is an art teacher in Grand Haven and they live in Grand Rapids.

Mary Lou Sepe, BA '78, and Keith D. Maito, MBA '80, January 8 in Portage. Both are with the Upjohn Company.

1979
Steven W. Bryan, BA '79, and Julie Remnant, December 18 in Ann Arbor. He is with the Hydro-Nuclear division, General Motors, and they live in Kalamazoo.

Susan Schoolmaster, BS '79, and Richard Davis, Feb. 26 in Kalamazoo. She works at Bronson Methodist Hospital and they live in Schoolcraft.

1980
Craig B. Baughman, BA '80, and Stephanie Benton, February 26 in Kanley Memorial Chapel. He is manager of Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, Benton Harbor, and they live in St. Joseph.

John H. Jenkins, BS '80, and Shari Collop, January 12 in Sun City, AZ. They are living in San Antonio, TX.

Janette Little, BBA '80, and David J. Marks, Dec. 24 in Sacramento, CA. She is with Ernst and Whinney.

1981
Randy J. Haaksm, BS '81, and Mary Ann Bucher, March 5 in Gogebic. He is with Jewel Foods and they live in Portage.

“Herbert Butler was a lover!”

With those words, Donald P. Bullock, director of the School of Music, eulogized Herbert G. Butler, professor of music, who died March 16 when he was struck in a head-on car crash in Cass County as he returned to Kalamazoo after conducting an evening rehearsal of the South Bend Symphony Orchestra and Choir.

"He loved the out-of-doors . . . [he] loved to develop and apply skills . . . [he] loved knowledge . . . Herbert Butler was a lover of life," Bullock said in his eulogy, given during a recent memorial service.

Butler, who is survived by his wife, Mary, and two sons, Jeffrey and David, carried his love of music into Western in 1960 after retiring for five years at the University of Arkansas. In 1968 he was appointed conductor of the WMU Symphony Orchestra. He was also the coordinator of the WMU High School String Chamber Ensemble, which toured the Midwest.

A noted cellist, Butler studied with such artists as George Sopkin, Frank Miller, Lipold Silva, Bernhard Greenhouse, Nicolai Zedeler, and Frist Maag. In demand as both a solo recitalist and a chamber musician, he presented concerts in nearly a dozen states.

Butler became music director and conductor of the South Bend Symphony Orchestra in 1975, only its third director in 50 years. He also served as first cellist of the Chicago Civic Orchestra and the Battle Creek and Kalamazoo symphony orchestras.

He appeared as a soloist with orchestras at Battle Creek, Kalamazoo, WMU, and in 1972, Detroit. He also conducted the Jackson Symphony Orchestra and the Kalamazoo Junior Symphony Orchestra.

He completed bachelor and master of music degrees at Indiana University, the latter "with distinction." He pursued advantage of his University, the Eastman School of Music, and the University of Texas.

Butlers may be given to the WMU String Program, in care of the University Foundation through the School of Music.

E. Mark Torrance, BA '81, and Marie Kimball, February 12 in East Lansing. She is a sales representative for Torrance Co. in Kalamazoo.

1982
Ens. Chad W. Higg, BS '82, and Patricia Drebhol, December 28 in Comstock. He is in Naval High school in Florida. She is with the United States Marine Corps.

Lynda Sue Johnston, MA '82, and Robert H. Baukamp, March 26 in Kalamazoo. She is with the United States Marine Corps.

Debbie Nierzodzinski, BS '82, and Steve Grahame, March 19 in Kalamazoo. She teaches for Hillsound County.

Roger J. Oll, BA '82, and Judith Bellow, February 14 in Kalamazoo. She is with the University of Michigan in 1927 and retired in 1947.

Eleanor Yinger Walton, associate professor emeritus of communication arts and sciences, died February 21 in Kalamazoo. She earned her MA degree in music at the University of Michigan in 1927 and retired in 1947.

Pearl E. Piates, TC '10, BS '32, died March 3 in Battle Creek. She had lived for four years. She was a teacher and principal in Battle Creek for thirty years, retiring in 1948.

Timothy K. Chamberlin, TC '14, died January 11 in Kalamazoo. He retired from teaching in 1951 and was a resident until 1970. He leaves six children, sixteen grandchildren, seventeen great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Lulu E. McWilliam, TC '14, died March 7 in Paw Paw. She earned degrees from Columbia University and the University of Chicago, teaching for many years in Genesee, NY. One sister survives.

Beatriz Blakessley Foley, TC '15, died January 28 in Kalamazoo. Mrs. Foley lived in the same home in the Kalamazoo area for more than eighty years and taught in Kalamazoo for nearly forty years, retiring in 1953. She was a past president of the 20th Century Club.

Cecil J. Platt, TC '17, former postmaster and long-time resident of Bloomington, died January 16. He leaves his wife, two children, and four grandchildren.

1983
Blanche Oliver Hatch, TC '20, died April 11, 1983 in Bradenton, FL.

Gale Pears Blair, TC '25, died January 3, 1983 in North Carolina.

Margaret Pease Downy, TC '26, BS '38, died March 22 in Kalamazoo. She taught at the Chicago Christian University for forty-three years, retiring in 1962.

Evelyn Winter Tavener, TC '27, died March 3 in North Aurora, IL.

Herman L. McKillop, TC '32, died January 13. Her late husband was William E. Smith, BA '39. One daughter survives.

John H. Baker, BS '33, died February 26 in Grand Haven. She was a teacher in Kalamazoo. One son and two grandchildren, her twin sisters, Margaret DeMeyer, BA '33, another sister, Hazel DeMeyer Kup, BA '29, and a brother, Elliott DeMeyer, TC '41.

Earl S. Myers, BS '37, a member of the faculty of Kalamazoo College, died October 15 in Minneapolis. His wife leaves his wife, two sons, four grandchildren, and a sister.

Alice Fredlund Sterk, BA '44, died February 17 in Kalamazoo. She was a former teacher and Upjohn Co. employee. She leaves her husband, one son, one daughter, her mother, and four brothers.

Glen E. Momany, BA '47, director of the Kalamazoo Community Services for a number of years, died March 27 in Kalamazoo. He retired a year ago. He leaves three children, three grandchildren, and a brother.

Hubert M. Ribell, BS '47, MA '69, died December 13, 1983 in Kinsimme, FL. He is survived by his wife.

John H. Jaker, BS '51, died February 16 at the Allen Park VA Medical Center. For many years, he taught in the Battle Creek area. He leaves two children, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

James W. Duggan, BS '54, a administrator with the DePaul-Keller Colleges since 1962, died February 22 in Kalamazoo. He was an avid flyer and flight instructor. Dorr Dorr was a teacher and principal in Battle Creek for thirty years, retiring in 1948.

Sarah L. Bell, TC '56, died January 14 in Battle Creek. She was retired from the Harper Creek schools.

Howard J. Bushlew, Jr., BS '60, MS '62, principal of Trenton High School since 1978, died January 19. He leaves a daughter, one son, and his parents.

Donna Tenney Zseng, BS '69, died February 22 in Pinellas Park, FL. A former Muskegon school teacher, she leaves her husband, three children, and six grandchildren.

M. Christine Cole Thick, BM '76, was killed January 10 outside the Franklin, NJ high school. She taught at the School for the Blind at Albany.

Gary W. Boettger, BS '81, died March 6 in Kalamazoo. He was a psychologist for the Calhoun County Community Mental Health organization and vice president of the Calhoun County Employee Association. He leaves his wife, his parents, one sister, and three brothers.
Artificial playing surface bid approved

A contract to All-Pro Turf, Inc. of Oklahoma City, as low bidder for the purchase and installation of an artificial playing surface in Waldo Stadium, has been approved by the University’s Board of Trustees. The amount of the contract is $388,900, which includes the purchase of the surface and its underpadding, as well as installation and warranty, according to William J. Kowalski, assistant vice president for facilities engineering.

Spring football drills completed

“We solidified eighteen or nineteen of our top twenty-two positions, and that was our major objective at the start,” stated Coach Jack Harbaugh in reviewing the recent spring football practice period. Offensively, pleasant surprises were the play of transfer Steve Hoffman at quarterback and Shawn Faulkner at tailback. The major problem of the entire spring was inconsistent offensive line play. Additional experimentation will be done in the fall and the staff will also look at some freshmen for those spots. The defense led all of NCAA Division I a year ago in scoring yield (7.1 points per game) and the Broncos should have another good unit this fall. Jack Giarmo made a successful switch from linebacker to middle guard, and sophomore-to-be Roy Swape performed well at outside linebacker after coming over from tight end.

Cornerback and three-year regular Demetrius Jones was timed at 4.04 for forty yards. “This is an indication that he’s ready to emerge as one of the outstanding defensive backs in the Mid-American Conference,” concluded Harbaugh.

Gary Fund drive almost over

June 1 is the magic date for the Mike Gary Athletic Fund, when a large corps of workers expects to finalize the raising of $325,000, the 1983 goal. Already, Bronco boosters have placed the athletic fund raising at a peak for the Mid-American Conference.

In review...

Baseball
Coach Fred Decker’s club began their baseball season with a 10-13 record, but did take three of four meetings from arch-rival Eastern Michigan to open defense of its 1982 Mid-American West Division title. Nine players from the club are now playing professionally.

Men’s basketball
Everyone figured Western’s men’s basketball squad would be in for a difficult year. The Broncos managed a 5-23 record but did enjoy some bright spots along the way, most notably a 65-59 home win over eventual Mid-American Conference tourney champ Ohio University. The Broncos also posted one-point home wins over league rivals Central Michigan and Northern Illinois.

Women’s basketball
The team began the year with a 3-3 mark. However, first-year coach Jim Hess soon had to begin compensating for injuries and the club lost its next two games in a row.

Golf
Western’s golf team had a sixth place finish among fifteen entries at the Illini Invitational in Champaign, IL, for its best early showing of 1983.

Brad Rosiar led Coach Merle Schlosser’s squad through three fall and four spring tournaments with a 78.9 average.

Men’s gymnastics
Western, second at the Great Lakes Conference meet, fared well considering their talent-laden opponents. The top team effort of the season came together at Kent State, when the Broncos knocked off the eventual GLL champs with a meet record shattering 264.15 total. The Broncos closed out the winter campaign with a 4-9 record.

Women’s gymnastics
Having broken all possible records along with a best ever dual meet record, it surely was a memorable season for Western Michigan’s 1982-83 women’s gymnastics team.

The 8-4 Broncos, fourth in the Mid-American Conference meet, set season, team, career, and individual marks in each of five categories.

As a team, Coach Kathy Button’s athletes established a new team total high mark with 170.55 points at the Indiana Invitational, finishing with an outstanding 6-2 record versus MAC foes.

Hockey
A youthful Bronco hockey team that featured just seven seniors and juniors among its top twenty players, finished its first year under Coach Bill Wilkinson with an 11-23-2 record.

Highlighting the season were a 3-1 win and 3-3 overtime tie in early February against Bowling Green, the nation’s No. 1 ranked team at the time.

Softball
All-American pitcher Bonni Kinne was sidelined with a back injury. However, Coach Fran Ebert received solid performances from Beth Belleville (6-2, 0.51 ERA) and Terri Sonon (4-3, 0.55 ERA), as the Broncos got off to an 11-5 start.

Sonon, who played third base when not pitching, led the club in hitting with a .333 average, and in RBIs with an outstanding defensive backs in the Mid-American Conference,” concluded Harbaugh.

Women’s tennis
First-year Coach Betsy Kuble’s squad began the campaign with a 7-5 mark and beat Mid-American opponents Toledo and Ohio University by 9-0 counts.

Freshman Amy Yeast earned the No. 1 singles job and won ten of her first twelve matches. The balance of the singles lineup was Sue Weigand (9-3), Nancy Martin (7-5), Lynne Schendel (7-5), Janet Ray (6-6), and Julie Hawthorne (7-5).

Men’s track
The indoor season for the men’s track team was highlighted by the appearance of sophomore Alex Washington at the NCAA meet. He reached the hurdle semi-finals and qualified for the championships by running a 14.07 in the 110 hurdles.

The Midwestern Athletic Championship Invitational.

The Broncos also hosted and finished sixth in the Central Collegiate Conference meet. Coach Jack Shaw’s team had thirty points, a dramatic improvement from 1982’s total of thirteen.

Men’s tennis
The Broncos finished second in two outdoor invitational meets which they hosted, picked up a second place at the Purdue Invitational, and defeated Eastern Michigan 71-38 in a dual meet.

They also competed against eight other Mid-American entries at the Eastern Michigan University Invitational and came up with second place.

Award for McIntosh—Five-time track All-American Jack McIntosh (second from left) is shown being honored at halftime ceremonies during a home basketball game. Making the presentation (from left are Halbert Sates, assistant track coach, Tom H. Wonderling, athletic director, and Jack Shaw, head track coach. McIntosh was runner-up for 1979 and 1982 NCAA 800-meter honors and won that event while representing the United States in 1982 summer competition against the Soviet Union in Indianapolis.