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Mentor/Mentee program is a concept that works

The concept is simple: pair practicing professionals with students interested in a particular job field, and give those students a beyond-the-textbook taste of their prospective profession.

The concept works. More than 300 Western students have been matched with doctors, dentists, lawyers, psychologists, scientists, and other professionals during the course of the past decade as part of the Vocational Reality Testing Program (VRTP). Directed and developed by Edith M. Coleman-Williams, a psychologist and associate professor in Western's Counseling Center, the VRTP is one of two mentor-mentee programs at Western. The other is operated by the Office of Special Programs in the Office of Academic Affairs. In that program, mentees are paired with faculty and staff mentors on campus.

"Graduates" of the VRTP program have used the experience to formulate career plans. The programme has also convinced others that a particular field just wasn't their cup of tea.

William S. Boehm is an example of a mentor-mentee experience. Boehm, an associate professor in Western's Dental School, has mentored his mentees under Ronald C. Carr and George S. Missias before graduating from Western in 1975. A 1980 graduate of the University of Detroit Dental school, Boehm has returned to Kalamazoo and established his own practice. During the 1983-1984 school year, he lent a hand to student Scott C. Douglass, a Waterford sophomore.

Boehm and Douglass echo each other when they discuss the value of the mentorship experience.

"It gave me insights into the little things about being a dentist that my experience as a patient never gave me," Boehm said. "Showing you 'a day in the life' is the essential purpose of the program. You learn that you're not only a health care professional, but you're a businessman, a boss, a consumer. The program gave me a different picture than what I'd previously had in my mind. This new reality was a very reinforcing experience."

Working with Boehm has whetted Douglass's appetite for dentistry. "I'm more enthusiastic than I even was before," Douglass said. "What I've seen is pretty close to what I've envisioned the profession to be like. It's given me more confidence that this is what I want to do." Douglass belongs to the Medical Science Association (MSA) at Western. The MSA actively encourages its members to get involved in a mentor-mentee relationship.

The program was originally conceived by Coleman-Williams as a means to raise the self-confidence of minority students. It didn't take her long to conclude that all University students could benefit from a mentor-mentee experience.

In building a pool of mentors for the program, Coleman-Williams let her fingers do the walking. "I simply went to the Yellow Pages," she says, recalling the program's roots, "and started going down lists of professionals and calling them."

About 500 professionals have lent the program a hand—many of them alumni. Groups such as the Kalamazoo Academy of Medicine and the Kalamazoo Bar Association have backed the program. Coleman-Williams has enjoyed a "good response" from Western alumni—particularly those in fields other than those that are "popular" like medicine and law.

Wetnight announces retirement

Robert B. Wetnight, Western's only vice president for finance to date, has announced his intention to retire next January. He has devoted more than a third of a century to the institution as a faculty member, academic department head, and chief financial officer.

"It is with mixed emotions that I notified President Bernard this past January of my plans to retire in January of 1985," he told Western's Board of Trustees in May. "But I do look forward to not having to meet deadlines, not having to wrestle with people problems, and not having to face one successive budget crisis after another, except for my own personal budget."

When he joined Western's faculty in 1951, Wetnight was only the second full-time instructor in accounting. He was named to head the academic program when it was departmentalized in 1957. He was appointed to succeed C.B. MacDonald as University comptroller in 1963.

He was named the University's first vice president for finance in 1965 and has been the only treasurer for WMU's Board of Trustees and the WMU Foundation. He is also treasurer of Western's Paper Technology Foundation.

"I have had the privilege of observing and also being a part of great growth of this outstanding institution," Wetnight said. "I have had the pleasure of working with a number of people. I have been blessed with an outstanding staff of dedicated professional people. I am confident that whoever takes my position will inherit a staff of distinction."

He is credited with developing a completely new accounting system for the institution. Among the first new offices he created as comptroller were personnel and payroll, budget, purchasing, and many others followed as Western continued to grow.

"It's time to retire," Wetnight asserted. "I'll be sixty-two when I retire in January and I want to find out if I can tire of playing a lot of golf."

Medallion scholarships awarded to six

Six Michigan high school seniors have been designated by WMU from among 163 applicants to receive its first Medallion Scholarships. Valued at $20,000 each as four-year scholarships, they are the most prestigious recognition Western has for student achievement.

The following recipients and donors are involved: Richard S. (Scott) Allan of Byron Center, WMU Foundation; Christine M. Gruber of Frankenmuth, the Upjohn Company of Kalamazoo; Dawn M. Houghtaling of Battle Creek, Howard and Howard law firm of Kalamazoo, Margaret A. Linder of Walled Lake, Dr. Merze Tate of Washington, D.C.; John H. Shaw of Davison, the First of America Bank Corp. of Kalamazoo; and Denise R. Swartz of Cadillac, Elizabeth and Quindra Binda of Battle Creek.

Each of the six scholarships is provided by a private donor, the scholarship is awarded in his/her name without regard to financial need. When the funds of that scholarship are exhausted, it is retired or it can be renewed by the donor for another student.

'Seldom does a University have an opportunity of such magnitude to recognize students of such exceptional achievement as Western does with these truly remarkable Medallion Scholarships," President John T. Bernhard said. "They are the result of the generosity and vision of both donors, and are a reflection of our students' talent and hard work."

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Medallion scholarships (continued from page one).

The recipients were selected from among fifteen finalists, all of whom were interviewed on the campus by a committee. Criteria for selection included a high school grade-point average of 3.75 as computed by Western and demonstrated leadership.

Recipients must live in Michigan or in a location specified by the sponsor. Each of the recipients is expected to begin classes at Western this fall. The Medallion Scholarship program was established last year under the leadership of J. Michael Kemp, then chairman of the WMU Board of Trustees.

For preschoolers and graduate students alike, Western's Preschool Language and Intervention Program offers a "real world" experience.

The program, funded as part of a $146,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), brings together children from the ages of three to six with graduate students from WMU's Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology. The children, who have speech and language disorders, develop language skills under the direction of the graduate students in the unique setting of WMU's Speech and Hearing Center.

"We're teaching language in a setting that is natural for a preschooler," explains Candis H. Warner, teacher-supervisor for the program. "We have music, finger plays, sand tables, an indoor jungle gym, and other preschool toys. During the time they're involved with an activity, a teacher will be eliciting language from them. A child may be encouraged, for instance, to go from saying 'ball' to 'throw ball,' and from there to 'the ball is big.' We're expanding their use of language." According to Warner, preschoolers with speech and language disorders have typically been aided in a clinical setting rather than in this kind of "activity setting." "They're seen for two-hour sessions in this program, rather than in a fifty-minute clinic therapy session," she said. "In a clinic, the children go to a small therapy room and work individually at a small table with a clinician. There usually isn't group interaction."

Participants in the Preschool Language and Intervention Program gather twice a week for the two-hour session, "These groups have been very successful," according to Warner. "The children develop language skills under the guidance of trained graduate students who work with them individually. They show significant growth in a short time."

Development campaign launched.

"Hi, this is Western Michigan University Calling," was heard by hundreds of WMU alumni around Michigan this spring as a group of upperclassmen launched the 1984 Development Fund Campaign. Over $30,000 was pledged during the four-week drive held in May.

"This is a very positive beginning," Development Director, development fund director, stated. "Our goal this year is a 25 percent increase in alumni giving. Over the past years we did an excellent job of finding that many alumni look forward to making their gift when the students call. Alumni should take great pride in their support, for private gifts increasingly bridge the gap between state assistance and the cost of education today. Alumni contributions provide that margin of excellence which has historically characterized quality education at their alma mater."

"Look forward to your call from a current student when the 1984 phonathon program begins again in September."

In a few words...

Auditorium named for Putney
Friends and former colleagues recently paid tribute to Mark B. Putney, past president of the First National Bank & Trust Company, by contributing funds to the WMU Foundation to have the small auditorium in John E. Fetzer Business Development Center named in his honor. The auditorium is a small lecture hall with continuous writing surfaces that seats about sixty-five persons.

Emeritus faculty member publishes second edition
A second edition of the book Anatomy and Physiology, Volume I, co-authored by Edwin B. Steen, WMU professor emeritus of biology, has been published by Barnes & Noble Books, New York. Volumes I and II originally were published in 1959 as part of Barnes & Noble's College Outline Series for study, reference, and review. A revision of volume two currently is in production, according to Steen. His co-author is educator and writer Ashley Montagu.

Accountancy rating sixth in U.S.
Western ranks sixth in the nation in producing the best accountants, according to a recent survey of recruiters from the top twenty-five accounting firms in the United States. Recruiters were asked to list the five institutions that produced the best accountants, and their answers were ranked on a weighted scale. The University of Illinois took the top spot, followed by the University of Michigan, the University of Texas at Austin, Michigan State University, Illinois State University and Western.

The survey was conducted in the College of Business is chaired by William R. Welke. It has 22 full-time faculty members and an enrollment of twenty-five graduate students enrolled in the department's master of science degree program.

The results of the survey were reported in the January issue of CPA Personnel Report, a national monthly newsletter.

CAS master's program cited
The master's degree program in Western's Department of Communication Arts and Sciences was one of only five in the thirteen-state central region to be cited in the "distinguished to good" category in a recently published study. The research was sponsored by the Association for Communication Administration and the American Council on Education. The Department of Communication Arts and Sciences, chaired by Richard J. Dieter, offers master's degrees in general communication and organizational communication for students who desire a terminal degree or wish to qualify for further graduate work. Current enrollment in the graduate program, which is directed by Shirley V. van Loesen, is over 150 persons. Those who continue graduate studies toward a doctorate usually matriculate at Michigan State, Purdue, Denver, or Pennsylvania State.
Fellowship funds research into child sexual abuse

Since 1983, the Harold and Beulah McKee Graduate Research Fellowship has allowed six outstanding WMU graduate students to accomplish projects, through a generous endowment to the University’s Partners in Progress capital campaign. The McKees, members of the WMU Foundation, the President’s Club, and long-time benefactors of education, established the fund to encourage research by graduate students and recruit new graduate students to our programs.

Among the recipients this year is Carol Plummer from the School of Social Work. Her McKee research project provides a vivid illustration of the far-reaching significance of the endowment’s impact. The $6,000 stipend has afforded Plummer an opportunity to complete follow-up research on a previous project.

In 1980 Plummer undertook an extensive demonstration project to work on the prevention of child sexual abuse, funded in part by the National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect. The end result was last year’s publication of a volume of activities and strategies for those working with children and adolescents, entitled Preventing Sexual Abuse (Learning Publications, Inc.).

The dominant approach to the problem of child sexual abuse has been one of detection, rather than prevention, of the problem. New prevention programs, aimed at preventing sexual abuse through the direct education of school-aged children, have met and exceeded original goals. Yet funding for research on the effectiveness of these programs has been scarce. Plummer’s McKee project addressed this concern by evaluating the programs’ impact and focusing on the changes in knowledge, attitudes, and skills of school-aged children about the prevention of sexual abuse.

Plummer’s book is a curriculum guide, based on the assumption that prevention of sexual abuse is far preferable to worrying about treatment after the abuse has occurred. Although Plummer acknowledges that not all sexual abuse can be stopped, “the good news,” she says, “is that nearly anyone, anywhere, can contribute to this prevention effort.”

Her curriculum guide provides advice for those working with children in kindergarten through sixth grade and has been adapted for use with older developmentally disabled students or adults. It provides a curriculum for junior and senior high school students, as well as advice for adult groups.

Plummer presented a paper at the Third National Conference on the Sexual Victimization of Children in Washington, D.C., April 26-28. She emphasizes her gratitude to Harold and Beulah McKee for making it possible to perform her evaluative research. “It’s a wonderful thing that they’re doing,” she said. “Research is so important in every field, and it’s something grad students are not always able to do.”

The active involvement of the McKees, not only in graduate education, but through their provision of undergraduate scholarships in athletics, elementary education, music, and theater, and the funding of a conference room at the Fetzer Center, represents an exemplary commitment to higher education and the future.

College seniors ill-prepared for graduation shock

According to Oxhandler, an assistant professor in WMU’s Counseling Center, few students are prepared to face “graduation shock.” “No one has warned them it’s right around the corner,” he says. “It’s a surprise to them that they’re going through all these emotions now. They’ll deny their relationships with the University and with friends are coming to an end. In a lot of cases, students aren’t prepared for the job market. Placement services are available for them to use and they haven’t used them.”

Oxhandler says few students come to him in the months just prior to graduation looking for advice. Ideally, he says, seniors should seek guidance six months prior to graduation.

Graduating seniors have much to be positive about, Oxhandler points out. “The fact they’re graduating indicates they’re headed in a good direction,” says Oxhandler. “They should make a positive self-assessment. They should look at the skills, the competencies they’ve developed. They should enter the job market and new friendships with confidence, thinking ‘I have something to offer.’”

Oxhandler reminds graduates that finding a job can be a long, difficult process. “Don’t get discouraged,” he says. “It might take six months to a year to get the job you want. Students can do themselves a great disservice by taking the first job that comes along—even when they know it’s not right for them.”

Oxhandler offers simple advice to seniors whose graduation days are close at hand: “Enjoy it. That can be hard when you worry too much about what’s going to happen in the next month or two. It’s a beautiful time in your lives. You’ve done well and you should take pride in that and start believing, too, that, ‘Yes, what I’ve done here will pay off for me in the future.’”
The library—an issue of quality.

The academic library has been the very heart of the educational process since universities began. Methods and fashions in education change over the years, but each generation uses the library as a means of realizing its aims, hence the library remains the great conservator of learning. An investment in the library is a permanent investment, guaranteeing returns for years to come, to computer systems, in on-line computer systems, in educational pursuits.

The Dwight B. Waldo Library

Dwight B. Waldo Library Endowment

Western alumni, emeriti, and friends. Named for Western's visionary first president, the Waldo Endowment Fund is made up of many contributions and is invested in perpetuity. The annual investment income is used to purchase books and materials for the library's collection. Support from this endowment fund provides the critical measure of difference, ensuring a vibrant modern library collection—one which will continue Western's tradition of high quality service to its students, its faculty, and the community.

How you can help

Obviously, when current needs outpace available funds, cash gifts are necessary and appreciated. In addition to current gifts, our aim is to build an endowment fund via planned and deferred gifts. Through Western's office of Planned Giving Services, we offer you an opportunity to help yourself as well as your University.

Deferred giving involves the transfer of assets to WMU, while you retain the use of income from those assets during your lifetime. Some of the various deferred giving methods include:

- A Bequest—A simple clause in your will which causes a portion of your estate to go to Western upon your passing, it can be designated for the Dwight B. Waldo Library Endowment Fund.
- A Trust—Several types of trusts are available to you. Under these plans you receive an income for life, and can often obtain a higher income than you received before. You may also receive a sizeable income tax deduction for some types of trusts. Only upon your passing (or the death of your surviving spouse, if you are married) would the trust principal go to the Library Endowment Fund.
- The Pooled Income Fund—Operating much like a mutual fund, the Pooled Income Fund offers you a tax deduction on your lifetime income. When investment rises and falls with investment performance, but currently the fund is earning more than 12 percent. These, and other deferred giving vehicles offer you a unique opportunity, a chance to give and receive at the same time. There can be no better investment than in the young education we can provide.

The library today

Western's library system today is a diverse resource committed to assisting students and faculty in their educational pursuits. WMU's semi-centralized library system offers a variety of outstanding services to the University and the community, such as:

- Serving as a regional resource center for libraries in a sixteen-county area in southwestern Michigan.
- Accessing the collections of libraries all over the nation and the world, through cooperative arrangements with other institutions.
- Participation, through automated on-line computer systems, in semi-centralized cataloging services with hundreds of other libraries.
- Providing automated research services to students and faculty.
- Serving as a major depository of U.S. Government documents.
- Providing one of the most extensive map collections in the United States, with more than 100,000 items.

For the past decade, the University Libraries at Western have been faced with increasing difficulties in keeping pace with the ever-increasing cost of acquiring books and materials. Book costs are up more than 170 percent and subscriptions are up over 400 percent in the last decade. This dramatic increase in the cost of materials is essential to a student's education has forced the library to become increasingly selective in what it buys.

The Dwight B. Waldo Library Endowment Fund

To maintain and enhance the quality of library materials and services in a period of declining state and federal support, Western has established the Dwight B. Waldo Library Endowment Fund to receive contributions from Western's tradition of high quality education is impossible without a quality library. The library must continue to serve as this central educational core for the benefit of future generations.

WMU's gift to the Olympics

Western has had representatives on United States teams in three different Olympic Games. In 1956, track sprinter Iza Murchison competed at Melbourne, Australia, where he was fourth in the 100-meter dash and a member of a gold medal winning 400-meter relay. Nowadays, a charter member of WMU's athletic hall of fame, shared the world record of 3:09.3 seconds for the 100-yard dash at the time of his appearance at the Olympics.

In 1972, former Bronco basketball player Joel Voelkert made the team handball squad, a sport that made its initial Olympic appearance at the Munich Games. Voelkert had taken up that sport while on duty with the U.S. Army.

In 1976, Western freshman Peter Deyo earned a spot on the kayak team for the Montreal Olympics.
Brake is baseball MVP and All-MAC... Senior pitcher Greg Brake of Detroit has been named the "most valuable player" on Western's 1984 baseball team. He was also a unanimous selection on the All-Mid-American Conference first team and was selected on the All-American team.

Brake had a 9-2 record for Coach Fred Decker's club, and his 0.95 earned runs average led the MAC and was a school low since 1967. He set a WMU career record for innings (253 1/3) and ranked No. 2 for wins (20) and strikeouts (196).

Senior catcher Jim Markert of Carol Stream, Illinois was picked by the league coaches for the All-MAC second team, while in other team balloting, freshman outfielder Jim Davis (Kalamazo) was the "most improved" player and sophomore second baseman Rich Maloney of Roseville was the "top defensive" player. The latter received All-MAC honorable mention.

Spring sports

Golf
For golf coach Merle Schlosser, the 1984 season was interesting and rewarding as the Broncos posted a 7-4 dual match record, two tournament championships, and a fine showing at the prestigious Pebble Invitational, one of college golf's premier tournaments.

The Broncos came out strong this year, capturing the Fall Badger Invitational in Madison, Wisconsin, and taking the Kent State Invitational to its list of tournament titles later in the spring. In between, WMU posted its best finish ever at the Kepler Invitational held in Columbus, Ohio, placing sixth out of twenty-four teams. The Broncos ran into a hot field at the MAC's annual meet, held in Kent, Ohio, and had to settle for seventh place.

Softball
In addition to capturing the Mid-American Conference championship and reaching the Mid-East regionals of the NCAA tournament, the 1984 WMU softball team set fifteen records and tied one. Fran Ebert's squad finished the season with a 39-13 mark as the Broncos dropped a three-game series (2-1) at Northwestern in NCAA tournament action.

Five individual season marks, eight individual career marks and two team standards were established during the fifty-two game season. As a team, the Broncos tied the record for most wins in a season for doubles with thirty-nine in each category. Individually, four Broncos were named to the all-league team.

Tennis player Dave Sommerville and softball pitcher Bonni Kinne are WMU's 1984 senior "scholar-athletes." These awards are presented annually to a male and female student-athlete at each of the ten Mid-American Conference institutions.

Kinne of Grand Ledge has a 3.93 academic average (4.0 scale) in bio-medical sciences and was a 1983 WMU Presidential Scholar, while Sommerville of Dearborn has a 3.10 average in industrial management studies.

A 1982 All-American, Kinne owns Western career records for winning percentage (.691), ERA (0.32), strikeouts (293), runs (69), shutouts (48), complete games (78), and innings pitched (657%). In the process, she also played for 1980 and 1981 teams that were fourth and fifth in all-MAC voting.

Mike Gary Athletic Fund surpasses goal, sets record
Funds raised during the Mike Gary Athletic Fund annual campaign, which ran from April 30 to May 31, set another record and surpassed the 1984 goal of $50,000. The campaign ended with $350,877 in pledges and $40,021 in gifts-in-kind received.

The totals were announced by Bill Doolittle, fund director, during a victory celebration June 5. The Gary Fund is used to supplement the athletic budgets for recruiting, team travel, and purchase of special equipment. Both men's and women's sports benefit from the fund, and over 150 volunteers were involved this year.

Men's Tennis
The 1984 tennis campaign for the men's squad coached by Jack Vredevelt ended on a positive note as the Broncos claimed runner-up honors at the Mid-American Conference championships held at WMU May 10-12.

The Broncos scored twenty-six points at the league finals, falling one point shy of the title which Ball State claimed over the three-day tournament. The fine showing at the MAC's capped another successful spring season for the WMU netters as they posted a 20-6 dual match record which included a 7-1 league mark. The season was highlighted with a 7-2 win at Northwestern, which was ranked in the national top ten at the time.

Individually, the Broncos had many standouts, and junior R. J. Dunkle was selected to the all-conference team for a second straight year. He was the league champ at No. 1 singles.

Sommerville, Kinne named scholar-athletes for 1984... Senior James Williams was bothered by a sore knee, but repeated as MAC long jump champion with an effort of 24-4, two inches farther than sophomore teammate Pat Hurst. Williams also ran fourth in the 100 meters and fifth in the 200. The other Bronco individual winner at the MAC meet was by high jumper David Elliott, who cleared 7-2 to equal the league record.

Women's Track
Western Michigan's women's track team had a 4-1 dual meet record, took first place honors in its own ten-team WMU Invitational, and then was second in the Mid-American Conference championships, being edged out by Ohio University, 126-116. Coach Debbie Hunt's squad continues to make inroads on the top spot in the MAC.

Individually, Maria Shoup won the 400-meter hurdles in a MAC meet record time of :58.29 and, in the process, qualified for the NCAA championships. Shoup also ran third in the 200 meters and tied for third in the 100.

A superb effort by the 1984 women's tennis team; coached by Betsy Kuhl, culminated at the Mid-American Conference Championships held in Bowling Green, Ohio, where the Broncos shared the team title with Miami as both schools scored twenty-six points. This marks the first MAC championship for WMU in women's tennis.

The Broncos tuned up for the league finals by posting an 18-10 dual match record which included a 5-3 conference record. Three members of the WMU squad brought back individual championships, including sophomore Amy Yeast and senior Sue Weigand. Yeast and Weigand, along with freshman Marla Whitfield, were selected to the All-MAC team, and Weigand qualified for the NCAA tournament. It marked the third time Weigand had received all-league honors, Yeast has held them twice. Yeast was also honored with an invitation to try out for the Olympic squad.

Men's Track
Coach Jack Shaw's men's track team was 4-1 in dual meet competition and then second at the Mid-American Conference championships, marking an eleventh straight first-division finish. Junior Alex Washington won a second consecutive MAC title in the 110-meter high hurdles and qualified for the NCAA outdoor championships for a second straight time. His best time was 13.64, which he ran in advancing to the semi-finals at the Olympic Trials.

Among career Broncos, Sommerville ranks No. 2 for combined singles and doubles wins with 162 and has a winning percentage of .686. In 1982, he earned All-MAC honors for a Bronco team that was third in loop standings.

If you have not been contacted by a member of the Mike Gary Athletic Fund Campaign, Doolittle asks that you consider this a personal request to support both the Gary fund and the Division of Intercollegiate Athletics. Both men and women athletes will benefit from your generosity.

The Broncos were named to the all-league team and had to settle for seventh place.
Dear Western alumni:

On May 18 the WMU Alumni Association Board of Directors held a meeting on campus. The meeting agenda was lengthy and topics varied. In the course of the meeting, one factor remained constant throughout the meeting—the directors' commitment to strengthening ties between the University and its graduates. They are committed to improving and increasing programs and services offered to association members.

Board members will assist the Alumni Relations Office staff with the preparation of a long-range plan. The plan will outline courses of action to ensure the association's objectives are met and its members are well served. Over 370 alumni responded to a questionnaire sent out earlier this year to a random sampling of all alumni. The responses are now being analyzed and will be instrumental in the development of a future course of action for the association.

The responses from the survey will be used by those of us involved in the preparation of this publication. We want to provide you with the information you seek about your alma mater and its people. The responses will also be used by the alumni office staff as we plan programs and offerings.

On behalf of the association board of directors, I thank those alumni who took time to respond to the questionnaire. I encourage all alumni who have ideas or opinions to share them with the Alumni Relations Office staff or any member of the board of directors.

If the association is to meet its objective—strengthened ties and improved programs—we need the support of all alumni. We invite your support—join the Alumni Association, attend alumni events, when they are held in your area, return to campus for Homecoming, reunions, and other events, share your experiences at Western and become a prospective student, make a financial contribution to the Development Fund, and volunteer for display your efforts at your work place. Your support is vital and can be demonstrated in a variety of ways.

Sincerely,

Alumni Association Board of Directors is committed to serving you. Show them your support.

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Reunions

Wartime reunion scheduled for 17-19 August

ATTENTION

You are hereby ordered to report to the campus of Western Michigan University on 17-19 August.

The WMU Alumni Association will host a reunion for all men who were students on campus in the V-12 and V-5 programs. All students who were on campus during World War II are also invited to join the WMU alumni "for a weekend of reminiscing.

Reunion activities will begin Friday, 17 August with registration from 4:00-9:00 p.m. in Walwood Union. Saturday's events will be informal and will include a barbecue lunch, tour of campus, and softball games. A dance featuring Bobby Davidson and his band will take us musically back to the 1940's on Saturday evening. A farewell brunch is then planned for Sunday morning.

Overnight accommodations will be available in a residence hall on campus as well as in motels conveniently located around the campus. Detailed information will be mailed in June.

The Alumni Office is still seeking addresses for hundreds of V-12 and V-5 alumni. Persons with any information are encouraged to contact Alumni Relations.

DISMISSED

'59 to celebrate silver anniversary

October 5

The 1959 graduating class from Western Michigan University will reunite on Friday, October 5. Homecoming events that weekend will be held in conjunction with 1984 Homecoming festivities.

The reunion committee, composed of Tom and Marge (Ginter) Carr, Dick Chormann, Karen Gernant, Dewey Haner, Fletcher Lewis, Charles Mitchell, Jr., Clem Nicollof, Curt Shameson, Jr., Fred Sitkins, and Carol Waskitzewicz are working with the Alumni Relations Office staff on plans for this special occasion. Class members will receive detailed information in August.

Over the years, the Alumni Office has lost track of a number of '59 class members, and the committee needs current addresses for those listed below. If you have address information, contact the WMU Alumni Office, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49008.

Ashley, Tom E.
Beal, Daniel R.
Bennett,_Byron L.
Brooke, Steve
Betteley, Larry R.
Blume, Ed
Bartlett, Joyce R.
Beaty, Judy L.
Bee, John M.
Banks, Margaret D.
Carter, Larry Martin
Cate, Ely
Christensen, Carolyn Dean
Chromett, Thomas K.
Clark, Carl Frederick
Colson, David A.
Cook, Mary Robby
Cousins, Wrenne R.
Courtney, Irene Marie
Deckard, Janice Elaine
Dellinger, Gayle F.
Dewey, Robert R.
Dobson, Alan B.
Dorko, Bettejoy
Dray, James N.
Dykes, Darlene C.
Earle, Graig (Daisy)
Eglin, Carl E.
Eliassen, Donald L.
Eshleman, Paul M.
Evans, Charlotte Ferraro
Ewert, Darlene E.
Ferraro, Delta
Foster, Robert L.
Frye, Robert L.
Gayle, Linda
Granger, Helen
Griffith, Charles W.
Grimes, Robert C.
Gronke, Linda
Hamlin, James N.
Hammer, Elaine S.
Harvey, Elmer
Harvey, Robert R.
Hartman, June
Hartley, Jessie
Hart, John M.
Hart, Margaret
Hart, Thomas H.
Hartley, Joan L.
Hartley, John M.
Hartley, Marlene
Hartley, Ronald
Hartley, Wally
Hartrey, Betty D.
Hartrey, Robert C.
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Career fair sets attendance record

by Joe B. Freeman, MA '66

More than a dozen Western alumni returned to campus on March 28 to take part in Career Fair '84, an event which attracted 2,500 people to the Student Center. It was the largest such program in the history of this event, according to Chester C. Arnold, director of University Placement Services. The alumni were among 166 recruiters representing 87 employers in business, education, health, government, and community service who participated in the fair.

This, the sixth annual fair, was co-hosted by University Placement Services, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Education, and the College of Health and Human Services. Students from Kalamazoo Valley Community College, Nazareth College, Kalamazoo, and Davenport College from Galesburg joined WMU students for the one-day program.

The broad-based Career Fair (not to be confused with Career Day presented by Alpha Kappa Psi business fraternity) featured over a dozen workshops on a range of topics such as "Dress For Success Men/Women," "Introduction to Interviewing," "Resume Writing," "Women: The Law and the Workforce," "Professional Practice Program," and "How To Look For A Job.

Arnold noted that, in addition to the employer recruiters who had booths in the east ballroom of the Student Center, ten graduate programs from the University also were represented, and a special table was available for critiquing resumes.

"This was more than a recruiting event," Arnold said. "It was an educational function designed to provide students, alumni, and Kalamazoo area visitors with helpful information about career planning and employment." Bonnie Truax, assistant director of placement, noted that recruiters and business representatives came from such distant places as Las Vegas, Nevada; Austin, Texas; Dayton, Ohio; and St. Paul, Minnesota.

Representatives from more than thirty-five different cities throughout Michigan, in addition to Kalamazoo, participated in the fair.

She pointed out that Western alumni who took part in the program provided a good cross-section of the overall group, citing among them Jane Pomer DeHart, B.S. '79, occupational therapist at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit; Priscilla Wise Schau, B.S. '71, personnel specialist, Saga Corporation, Kalamazoo, and Alfred M. Hawkins, B.S. '62, M.A. '73, and Sp.Ed. '75, superintendent of Covert Public Schools.

Among other alumni who came back to campus for the day were: Robert McNabb, B.B.A. '65, regional supervisor, State of Michigan Department of Social Services office, Kalamazoo; Mary E. Stacey, B.S. '72, territorial representative, International Playtex, Allen Park; Dr. Bert D. Goens, B.S. '62, M.A. '66, and Ed.D. '69, director of special education, Van Buren Intermediate School District.

Lawrence, Penola S. Pressley, M.A. '75, director of admissions, Kalamazoo Valley Community College, Kalamazoo, and Mark F. McDade, B.A. '80, staff accountant, Price Waterhouse, Battle Creek.

Other WMU graduates from Kalamazoo who volunteered their time and know-how for Career Fair '84 were: William J. Parson, B.A. '67, M.A. '71, legal administrator, Brown, Coleman, DeMent, P.C.; Pamela Kies-Lowe, B.A. '78, M.S. '80, educational specialist, Reproductive Health Care Center; James L. Zimmerman, B.S. '62, services manager, State Department of Social Services, Kalamazoo County, John Reimanns, B.A. '74, M.A. '76 and Michael Garrison, M.P.A. '79, both representing the Michigan Department of Corrections, and John Ray, B.A. '72, volunteer coordinator and foster care case worker, Kalamazoo County Juvenile Court.

With the obvious success of this year's career fair, event sponsors face one dilemma. If next year's program attracts 25 percent more students, Western's Student Center will be overflowing. As Arnold says, "It's the kind of problem we like to have."

Alumni gather throughout the state

Branch County
Western graduates in Branch County gathered at the Coldwater Country Club on May 4 for the fourth annual spring dinner.

Philip DeWeerd, vice president of academic affairs, shared his perceptions of Western based on his twenty-eight years of service to the University. Kathy Beauregard, WMU women's gymnastics coach, and Becky Howe, a freshman from Battle Creek, were on hand to update Becky's "hometown fans" on the past season and provide an outlook for the '84-'85 season.

Detroit
Hear Ye. . . Hear Ye. . . Calling all Detroit area Western alumni. The Detroit Area Planning Committee, on Coldwater hopes to see you at its next meeting at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 17 at Tequila Willie's (2655 Evergreen, between 10 and 11 Mile Roads). For more information, contact any committee member: John Childers, 274-6800, days; Julie Schadowski, 335-2264, evenings; Joan Walsh, 884-3783, evenings; and Bob Zakar, 562-4062, days. They are eager to hear from all interested alumni.

Detroit area alumni sponsored two happy hours at Tequila Willie's in Southfield on May 30 and June 14 to informally discuss organizing an Alumni Association chapter and future activities for Western graduates in the greater metropolitan area. The "Let's Get Re-Acquainted" happy hours were a success.

Grand Rapids
The Grand Rapids area alumni sponsored a wine tasting party on May 4. Jake Rohe made the presentation, assisted by Doug Fournier, WMU alumni and owner of Gourmet Galley East. The presentation included helpful hints for alumni to use in selecting wines, as well as actual tasting of a variety of wines.

 Traverse City
Noted artist, poet, and publisher Gwen Frostic and WMU President John T. Bernhard joined fellow Western alumni for the Traverse City Alumni Spring Dinner on May 5. This was the first meeting of what the WMU Alumni Association hopes will become an annual event for Western graduates in northwestern Michigan.

Gwen Frostic shared her insights on creativity and President Bernhard provided an update on Western. Frostic, a 1929 graduate of Western, is president of Presscraft Papers, Inc., Benzonia.

Homecoming logo design selected

David Burhans, a senior from Battle Creek, designed the logo for this year's Homecoming celebration "Live from Western . . . It's Homecoming '84."

The logo was selected by the Student Homecoming Committee from a number of designs presented to the group by students. This is the second time a design by Burhans has been selected to depict the Homecoming theme on all promotional material. He also designed the '92 Homecoming logo.

Homecoming will be celebrated on Western's campus Sunday, September 30 through Saturday, October 6. The Alumni Relations staff is planning a weekend of festivities for returning alumni. The August issue of the Westerner will have detailed information and a reservation form for all Homecoming events.

Western alumni—make sure you're in Kalamazoo October 5 and 6.

Program assesses career potential

The WMU Alumni Association, in conjunction with the University's Career Education Council, again sponsored a career assessment program during April.

More than 200 children of alumni from throughout the state of Michigan participated in the 1984 program.

In its second year, the program assesses high school junior and senior students of alumni in four areas: interests, personality, work values, and achievement/aptitude. Interpretation of the assessment results is completed with the students meeting individually with a counselor.

Many alumni parents accompanied their children to the assessment and re-acquainted themselves with their alma mater. "We are pleased to provide this service to our alumni and their children," Larry Berman, testing and evaluation services director, said. "The assessment was designed at Western and gives high school students an opportunity to discover their aptitude and abilities prior to entering college and choosing an area of study."
1923
Don R. Pears, TC '23, has been awarded a life membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars, after sixty-three years of continuous membership.

1924
John L. Reynolds, TC '24, became president of the Ypsilanti Chamber of Commerce in March, elected to serve a one-year term. He is publisher of the Ypsilanti Press.

1927
Dr. Merze Tate, BA '27, was one of twenty-six members of the Washington, DC, branch of AAUW to be honored at the branch's centennial celebration. She retired as a professor of history from Howard University.

1930
Clark M. Valentine, BS '30, and his wife celebrated their golden wedding anniversary March 10 in Battle Creek. Their son and daughter hosted the event at the Stouffer Hotel for the retired educator and very active alumnus.

1931
Abe L. Draizin, BA '31, former Grand Rapids mayor, has been elected a director of the Grand Rapids Chamber Foundation.

1933
Martha Zemke, BA '33, MA '33, this spring received the Maple Leaf Award of the Village of Vermontville for her "dedicated community service and outstanding contribution to help improve and maintain the quality of life in the village." She retired in 1974 after forty-one years as a teacher, the last twenty-one of which were at Bay City Central.

1939
Cornell Mievering, BS '39, was recently honored for spending fifty years as a State Farm Insurance agent in Muskingum County. This began as a part-time effort while he was teaching school, a career that lasted for thirty-one years beginning in 1918. He is now in business with his son.

1941
Arlt W. Pickens, BS '41, has retired as supervisor of race horse drug detection for the Michigan Department of Agriculture after thirty years of state service. Esther L. Walton, BS '41, has been named division historian for Michigan by the City Central.

1947
Juanita Goodrich Frohm, BS '47, has been elected president of the Calhoun County Humane Society. She is also president of Iota chapter, Alpha Epsilon Pi, in Battle Creek.

1948
Samuel S. Triplett, BA '48, MA '53, was featured in the Grand Rapids Press March 21 as an "extraordinary senior citizen." He retired in 1981, having been the first black male teacher in the Grand Rapids schools.

1949
Harold W. Austrow, BS '49, is director of engineering for Rockwell International in Colorado, Italy, where his plant makes truck axles. He and his wife live in Torino.

1951
G. Edwin Carrigan, BA '51, MA '60, retired in June as associate superintendent of the Mona Shores schools near Muskegon.

1952
Helen Leslie Gill, TC '52, MS '58, retired last June after thirty-five years as an elementary teacher, her last seventeen years were in Boulder, CO.

1957
Col. Robert C. Barrett, BBA '57, returned to his alma mater April 20 to deliver the principal address at the ROTC awards and commissioning ceremony. He is now deputy commander, First Support Command, Ft. Bragg, NC.

1958
Patricia Lloyd Preston, BS '57, had her art work featured in a Lansing Art Guild show in May. Charles E. Verburg, BBA '57, chief of the supply systems management division at Shaw AFB, SC, has received a second Air Force Commendation Medal for outstanding achievement.

1960
Donald R. Brems, BBA '60, has been named a partner in the new firm of Brems Farley, Ltd., in the global product management unit of Dow Chemical Co. He lives in Roscommon.

1959
David L. Powell, BBA '59, has been appointed assistant vice president and chief appraiser in the corporate real estate department of Comerica Bank. Last November he received the MAI designation from the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers.

1961
Ronald J. Stella, BS '61, will become principal of Holland High School in the fall, moving there from New Buffalo.

1964
James H. Beck, BBA '64, has become director of university publications at the University of Michigan. He joined the UM news and information services staff last year.

1965
Dennis E. Scheer, BBA '60, has been promoted to manager of human resources at Weldon International, Bridgman. He is also Chikaming Township supervisor.

1966
Dr. Robert T. Williams, BS '65, in May became a human development officer for the National Education Association, Washington, DC. He is the NEA's director of field services.

1967
Robert C. Dixon, BBA '66, was promoted to managing director, freezers, and built-in ice machines by Whirlpool Corp in Ft. Smith, AR.

1968
Kenneth S. Milczynski, BBA '66, has been promoted to vice president in the systems department of Magnaflux National Bank, Detroit. He recently graduated from the University of Michigan's School of Bank Management.

1970
J. Michael Hagman, BS '63, MA '67, has been named director of supply processing for the Michigan National Bank, marketing and commercial services. He lives in Petoskey, MI, having formerly been a registered nurse.

1972
Jack M. VanTress, BS '66, has been elected to the board of directors of Northwestern State Bank, Petoskey. He is a real estate consultant and a registered investment adviser.

1973
Dr. Steven G. Baxter, BS '67, has been promoted from research associate to research associate professor of medicine at the University of Michigan's Department of Veterinary Pathology, and will leave the Ann Arbor area to take a position as professor of medicine at the University of California, Davis.

1976
Dr. Robert H. Gentenaar, BA '61, associate professor of economics at Hope College, was elected president-elect of the Western Division of American Medical Association.

1978
Dr. Robert S. Neill, BS '61, has been promoted to executive vice president of Delta Airlines. He will assume his new duties April 19.

1982
Robert J. Neill, BBA '61, of the Lincoln National Life Insurance Co. Group, is marketing his area of expertise.

1986
Dr. Alfred R. Alperin, BBA '68, is currently acting director of the Center for Counseling and Psychological Services, State University of New York at Purchase. He received his doctorate from Columbia University's School of Social Work in 1982 and is now in the post-doctoral program in psychotherapy and psychoanalysis at the Institute of Advanced Psychological Studies, Adelphi University. He also maintains a private practice in Teaneck, NJ, and lives in Leonia.

1987
Robert V. Burke, BBA '68, is now vice president and comptroller at the Great Lakes National Life Insurance Co. Group, marketing and administration.

1988
Louis H. Draup, BS '68, has become manager of insurance and risk management for The Budd Company, Dearborn.

1989
Sandra Boekeloo Hunt, BM '68, is a string instructor at Kalamaoo's community arts center.

1990
Donald O. Johnson, BS '68, a teacher consultant for special education in the school district and is an agent for Michigan Educational Employees Mutual Insurance Co.

1992
Robert J. Neill, BS '61, is manager of residential services to the elderly for Encore in Omaha, NE. Jeanne T. Michels, BS '68, is the co-author of Letters from Bernice, a children's play which had its premiere at the Boardhead Theatre, Lansing.
Alumni who received degrees in April

Fourteen of the twenty persons receiving master's degrees this month participated in the April commencement, had received previous degrees from the college.

Many WMU alumni participated in the April commencement services as they received their master's degrees. By classes, these were:

1969 Leigh G. Dobbs, BS '69, MBA '79, has been promoted to facilities engineer, process systems department, Kellogg Co. He lives in Richland, MO.

1970 Dr. Roger D. Beyer, BS '70, MA '72, has opened a practice in obstetrics and gynecology in Paw Paw. He earned his MD degree at Wayne State University and his residency in St. Louis, MO. Donna R. Blackall, BA '70, has been elected third vice president/1984 state conference chair of the Illinois Association of Teachers of English. She is language arts chair at Thomas Junior High School in Detroit. Joyce Ann Fouts, BA '70, has now account management for Sandy Corp. She is training and communications consulting firm.

1971 Suzanne Herb Bedford, BA '71, MA '79, was honored in March for her teaching expertise at Wayland. Charles E. Binder, BA '71, became magistrate of the U.S. District Court in Bay City in February. He has a law degree from Duke University and has practiced law in Bay City since 1978. Robert Boyd, BBA '71, has joined Touches & Co. in Dallas, TX, as a senior consultant. He is a charter member of the International Society of Certified Employee Benefit Specialists, and is president-elect of the Tarrant Employers' Health Action Group.

1972 James H. Childress, BS '72, MA '75, has left WOVT, Grand Rapids, to become community relations and marketing director for Community Newspapers, Inc. Father Thomas J. Helfrich, BA '72, is one of sixty-six chaplains in the armed forces now located in Rochester, NY, to receive the University of Rochester's first annual Award for Excellence in Secondary Education.

Andrew M. Jugan, BS '72, is track coach at Syracuse University and was director of the NCAA indoor track championships.

1973 Mark Bekken, BA '73, has been re-elected as Saukagunk Village trustee. He is an assistant football coach at Saukagunk High School. Dan L. Butkovich, BS '73, became branch officer for First of America Bank in Ozoneo in April.

1974 Paul J. Michalke, MSL '74, was awarded a scholarship to attend Project Close-Up in Washington, DC, for Michigan State University. He is at MacMackin Island School since 1978. He is a member of Michigan Historical Society.

Dr. Joel Ola, BS '71, is now a policy analyst for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan in Detroit. He earned his MA and PhD degrees at the University of Michigan. He and Katharine Green were married in March, and they live in Dearborn.

Gary R. Rossa, BBA '71, has been appointed Schoolcraft-Telegraph branch officer by Comerica Bank-Detroit.

Minttun, vice president of communications for Medical Research, Inc., has been appointed Schoolcraft-Telegraph branch officer by Comerica Bank-Detroit.

Margaret White, MSW '71, has retired as director of Child and Family Services of Livingston County and entered the race for county commissioner.

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Michael R. Monitith, BSME '72, has been appointed vice president of construction for Medical Research, Inc., has been appointed Schoolcraft-Telegraph branch officer by Comerica Bank-Detroit.

John H. Powell, BS '72, was ordained recently by the Evangelical Free Church of America. He is now a pastor in Los Cruces, NM.

William P. Roschek, BBA '72, has been appointed to sales manager for the KVP Group of James River Corp.

Karen T. Detterman, MA '72, has been named manager for J.M.T., Inc., commercial photographers in Battle Creek.

Mark Christiansen Germansa, BS '72, was teacher of the month at Clarkson High School, where she teaches English.

John F. Murphy, MS '73, has been promoted to manager of information systems at Whirlpool Corp., St. Louis.

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Darrell L. Day, Jr., BS '73, has been promoted to sales manager of Waterright Paper Co., where he has worked since 1966. He is also a member of the Waterright school board.

Jaroslav G. Garling, BA '73, has been appointed to facilities engineer, process systems department, Kellogg Co. He lives in Grosse Pointe, MI.

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Gary L. Rader, BBA '73, has recently earned his MA and Master of Divinity degrees at Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Aurora, IL. He is currently a resident chaplain at the University of Michigan Medical Center.

Capt. William W. Underly, BS '73, MA '78, has graduated from the Air Force Administrative Management officer course at Keesler AFB, MS, and is assigned to Tinker AFB, OK.

Randi S. Yoder, BA '73, is now enrolled in the Graduate Management Program at Glendale, AZ.

Felicia P. Zolg, BA '73, MA '79, has become a certified registered nurse. She works at Bronson Methodist Hospital, Kalamazoo.

Joseph Lalove, BS '76, became hand director for Hastings schools in February. He also plays in a jazz band. The Pacific Two. John J. Sheehan, BS '76, one of 113 persons nationwide to receive a Writer's Fellowship grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. The $12,500 will provide him with time to work on his poetry, and he plans a trip to Spain as part of his work. He is a painter, and a clerk in Schuler Books, Grand Rapids.

1977
Sharon Bradley-Johnson, EdD '77, was honored in April as the Michigan Association of Governing Boards of Colleges and Universities. She is a professor of psychology at Central Michigan University. Spec. 4 Brian N. Grable, BS '77, has completed a Redeye/Chappie Attack weapons system repair course at Redstone Arsenal, AL.

Dr. Richard R. Hartman, BS '77, received his doctorate from Lawrence University Institute of Paper Chemistry, Appleton, WI, in August 1983.

Ken L. Lehtinen, BS '77, has become a systems programmer IV for the Mead Corporation, Escanaba. John Lenos, BS '77, has become a director for Ash Advertising, Inc., Elk Horn, IA.

Randy C. Luech, BS '77, has become group controller for Inca Plastics, Inc., and Mid-American Electric Co., Fort Wayne, IN.

Leslie A. McDonald, BBA '77, has circumnavigated the globe twice in the last few months, recording the events on tape film. The first flight was over both poles, a forty-five hour trip in a Gulfstream II jet. The second trip was a much more conventional route, but included stops in Russia and The Peoples Republic of China.

Dewin Rushing, BBA '77, earned his juris doctor degree at Thomas Cooley Law School, Lansing, this spring and is now employed by Legal Aid of Central Michigan, Mt. Pleasant.

Lucille M. Schneider, BS '77, is now a counselor at the Marriage and Family Center in Holland.

Ted C. Schumann, BBA '77, has passed his MCA examination and is with Leo B. Knousa, CPA, Bay City.

Teresa Turner-Jones, BS '77, shared the top spot in the International Women's Figure Skating competition in Munich, West Germany, in March. She and her partner have been invited to perform in Los Angeles during the summer Olympic Games.

1978
William A. Beck, BS '78, has joined Mead Corp, Escanaba, as a senior process control engineer, moving there from Brunswick, GA.

Jeffery L. Howald, BBA '78, is now comptroller of First of America Bank-Michigan, living in Kalamazoo.

Michael Ickdowski, BBA '78, became branch officer for the Cartilage Hills office of Clinton Bank & Trust Co., in February.

Barry Murchie, BME '78, has completed his MBE degree at St. Ambrose College, Davenport, IA. He is a metallurgical engineer for John Deere Co., and his wife, Mary Murchie, are BS '78, is chief therapist dietitian at Illini Hospital, Silvis, IL. They live in Coal Valley, IL. She was recently chosen as one of the top dietitians in Illinois.

Carol Black, BBA '78, has become a registered nurse and business development officer at the American National Bank in South Haven.

Mary Murchie, BS '78, MA '81, has been invited to perform in Los Angeles for the four years. He lives in Schuylkill Haven.

1979
Capt. Terry A. Blakely, BS '79, has completed his air defense officer advanced course at Ft. Bliss, TX.

Diane M. Burdette, BS '79, has been promoted to captain as a logistics officer for the 11th signal battalion at Darmstadt, West Germany.

Michael Garzon, BBA '79, has been appointed legal consultant to DeNovo Corp., Utica, a fast food franchiser.

William R. Grimaly, BS '79, has become vice president-agricultural lending for First of America Bank-Ludington. He had vice president-agricultural lending for First of America Bank-Ludington. He had

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1980
Dr. Robert J. Ackerman, PhD '80, an associate professor at Indiana University, Pennsylvania, keynoted the forty-eighth annual spring conference of the WMU Department of Counseling and Personnel.

Ted A. Barrett, BA '80, made the dean's list for the fourth term at Cooley Law School, Lansing.

Linaes L. Baines, BS '80, has opened his law office in Jackson, having been admitted to the Bar following graduation from the University of Michigan Law School.

Karen Reehling Blum, MA '80, has been appointed associate vice president for institutional advancement at Madonna College, Chicago, IL. She is responsible for alumni affairs and annual giving. She lives in Evanston, IL.

Frederick Boulson, BS '80, is the co-author of a textbook on typing for high schools and junior colleges. He lives in Traverse City, MI.

Gregory M. Clark, BS '80, has graduated from the Southeastern Paralegal Institute at Houston, TX, and is now with Shell Oil Co., Houston, TX.

Phyllis Curtis, BA '80, has become a registered nurse and is now on the staff at the Methodist Hospital, Kansas City, MO. She is the new teaching certification officer for the Kansas City police department.

Diana Rose, BBA '80, MA '81, is now director of marketing and media services for Maxwell Advertising, Lakewood.

Sheryl L. Scally, MPA '80, became Kalamazoo's first female city manager in April. She has been assistant city manager for several years.

Joanne K. Shillito, BS '80, is a faculty member in the community arts program in Kalamazoo.

1981
Sister Olga Bonfiglio, MA '81, has been awarded a $30,000 fellowship by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation for study and self-enrichment. This was one of forty-three grants awarded nationwide. She is assistant to the president for public relations at Nazareth College and has a graduate degree in public relations.

Brian Brill, BS '81, heads his own jazz band, Fast Tracks, which is based in Ann Arbor and is moving into the Midwestern jazz scene.

Debra Calbert, BS '81, won the 1984 WMU Secretarial Award for her professional competence, achievement, and service. She works in the WMU Department of Business Information Systems.

David J. Conge, BS '81, Sturges, and Daiga Langens, BA '82, were recently on the program for the Monday Musical Club at St. Joseph, N.D. Sales meetings are held for the Gladwin Buyers Guide in March.

William H. Ficek, MSW '81, in April became executive director of S.A.F.E. Place in Battle Creek, a victim-assistance organization against domestic violence.

Thomas Schultz, BBA '81, became general manager of the Gladwin Buyer's Guide in March.

Kathy A. Lucas, BS '81, is an instructor in the community arts program in Kalamazoo.

1982
Thomas M. Fisher, BS '82, has completed basic training for the Army at Ft. Leonard Wood, MO.

2nd Lt. William J. Gillette, BS '82, is stationed at Charleston AFB, SC, with the 76th Military Airlift Squadron, following completion of USAF pilot training at Vance AFB, OK.

Philip Glennie, BBA '82, is now sales manager for Computer Land, Kalamazoo.

Mary Lee Goode, BBA '82, has been promoted to credit officer-commercial credit at American National Bank, Kalamazoo.

Joseph Black, BBA '82, has graduated from the USAF medical laboratory specialist program at Lackland AFB.

Margaret Hamilton, MM '82, is a horn instructor in the community arts program in Kalamazoo.

Vestina Hawkins, BS '79, has been chosen as an all-American at U. S. Women's Indoor field hockey team. She is track coach at Gull Lake High School. She is a field hockey coach at Kalamazoo College and Kalamazoo Valley Community College.

Kathleen James, BS '82, has twice appeared on National Public Radio's show, A Prairie Home Companion. She will also be featured in a 1984 ABC production on Alaska.
Three Rivers.

Ronald F. Lucas, RA '92, has been promoted to manager of The Mixing Bowl, Three Rivers.

Debbie L. Martin, BS '82, has completed basic training as an Army reservist.

Debra May, BM '82, is an instructor in music in Kalamazoo's community arts program.

Joseph.

Barbara Wisdom, BS '83, is the new manager of the Worgess Agency in Detroit.

Nathan F. Rykke, BBA '82, has been promoted to manager of Wendy's Restaurant on West Michigan Avenue in Kalamazoo.

Arthur Skale, MBA '82, has been elected vice president and general manager of Farmers and Merchants National Bank, St. Joseph.

Janet E. Andersen, MA '83, is the new director of editing and publications for the AAUW Townley.

Benjamin, March 2 in Kalamazoo. He is with Beacon Tool, Inc.

Kay Lawrence, MM '82, gave an April piano recital in Albion.

Malika J. Mohamed, BBA '83, is now enrolled in the Graduate School of International Management at Glendale, AZ.

Frank E. Calvaruso, BS '76, and Wendy LaVigne, May 26, is a Highway Express manager and they live in Gainesville, FL.

Karen M. Fischer, BS '76, and Kevin Fess, have joined the Orlando, FL, schools and they live in San Antonio.

Melvin Hyman, April 1 in Kalamazoo. She is a special education teacher in Martin, and they live in Onego.

G. Cook, BA '83, now manages the Butzbaugh in Saginaw.

Susan Puckett, BBA '83, has graduated as a certified public accountant. She is with Coca-Cola, and he is a sales representative with the Romeo schools.

They live in Indiana.

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Deaths
Carlson H. Cameron, president of the WMU Paper Technology Foundation for three terms and an ardent supporter of the University, died April 1 in Marshall. He retired as senior vice president of Michigan Carter Co. in 1975 after forty-three years. In 1981 the University presented him with a Distinguished Service Award. He leaves his wife and a son.

Hazel Hayden Gower, TC '07, died October 23, 1981, it was learned recently. She was an East Lansing resident.


Glady's Cardinal Kneeland, TC '18, died February 28 in Cadillac.

Ella Banks Richards, TC '18, died April 3 in Grandville. She was a teacher and a member of the Maple Grove school board from 1939 to 1951, becoming the first woman elected as president of the board. She leaves four children.

Clara Louise Gladding Sheldon, TC '19, died May 1 in Kalamazoo. She had been a teacher in Pellston, Sturgis, and Mendon. She leaves her husband, a son, Frank, BA '48, Portage, three daughters, including Mary Louise Cooper, BS '52, Kalamazoo, and Georgia Prillwitz, BS '56, Berrien Springs; a sister; a brother; fourteen grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Anna Chandler Williams, TC '19, BA '32, died February 10 in Williamsburg. She leaves her husband, a son, Frank, BA '56, Berrien Springs; a sister. She had taught in Union City for thirty-one years, retiring in 1974. She leaves her husband, three children, three grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

Harold L. Bills, TC '25, an employee of the Saniswater Paper Co. from 1927 to 1968, and president for the last eleven years, died April 15 in Kalamazoo. He leaves three sons, including Harold R. Jr., BA '56, a daughter, fourteen grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Anna Brown Barney, BA '26, died February 20 at her Traverse City home. She leaves her husband, a son, Charles, BA '30, Kalamazoo, and a daughter.

Ruth Betka Cassin, TC '29, died April 11 in Lansing after a long illness. She leaves her husband, a teacher in Union City for thirty-one years, retiring in 1974. She leaves her husband, three children, three grandchildren, and a sister.

Florence Rosemore Buel, BS '38, died January 11 in Lansing after a long illness. She leaves her husband, two sons, and a sister, Carol Rosemore, TC '53, BS '49.

Ruth Fahre Hutson, BS '38, died November 19, 1982, in Plain City, FL. She leaves a son, a daughter, and a sister.

Edith Elzey Gerecke, BA '66, died on November 27, 1982, in Battle Creek. She taught in the Lakeview schools for twenty-six years, retiring in 1977. She was honored recently for her work in literacy programs in Calhoun County. She leaves her husband and two daughters.

Helen Thome, BA '33, died in August 1983, the Alumni office has recently learned. She leaves three children, two brothers, a sister, and a half-sister.

Eunice Boger Tanner, BA '35, died November 5 in Bonners Ferry, ID. She leaves her husband, a son, two brothers, and a sister.

Elsa Herman Adolph, BS '57, March 11, 1983, in Kalamazoo. She was an elementary teacher in Union City for thirty-one years, retiring in 1974. She leaves her husband, three children, three grandchildren, and a sister.

Katherine A. Bietz, TC '28, BA '43, died March 18, 1983, in Yorktown Heights, NY. She leaves her husband.

Violet Hook Bell, TC '27, died March 2 in Boca Raton, FL. She taught for thirty-six years in Detroit and lived most recently in Boynton Beach, FL.

Ruth Stroud Bier, TC '28, BS '43, died April 6 in Charlevoix. She lived in Burr Oak, retiring in 1970 after forty years of teaching, the last eighteen of which were in Sturgis. She leaves a brother and a sister.

Jessie Gehbard Hoyt, BA '29, died September 27, 1983, in Yorktown Heights, NY.

Frida Nickerson Scott, TC '29, died April 20, 1983, in Greenville.

George R. Walcott, TC '30, BS '34, died March 17 in Grand Rapids.

Edna L. Earl, BS '33, died May 13 in Kalamazoo after a long illness. She taught in Hartford, Flint, and Kalamazoo, retiring in 1973. She leaves a sister, Margaret Earl Kellman, BA '34, Portage.

Sylvia Johnson, BA '35, died October 12, 1982, in Flint.

Charles H. Irwin, BS '34, a professor emeritus at Grand Valley State College, died in August 1983, the Alumni Office has learned. He leaves his wife and three children.

Laurie Hogan Muenter, BA '34, died July 8, 1983, in Williamsburg. She had retired as a teacher from Traverse City's Oak Park School.


Lucille Kosteksky Zimmerman Hansen, BS '34, died in early May in Bakersfield, CA. She had taught in the Springfield schools. She leaves her husband, a son, Ronald Zimmerman, MBA '69, a daughter, two brothers, four sisters, and four grandchildren.

Kathleen A. Awe, BA '35, died in May 1983, in Williamsburg.

Winona Seaman, TC '51, died in January in Muskegon.

Betty Link Witwer, BA '51, died several years ago, the Alumni office has recently learned.

Joseph Schaefer Aue, BS '53, died April 16 in Kalamazoo. She leaves three children, her mother, a brother, and a sister.

Alma Stewart Barlow, MA '59, died April 11 in Portage. She had been a Kalamazoo area school librarian for many years. She leaves five sisters and a brother.

Lucille Kosteksky Zimmerman Hansen, BS '34, died in Bakersfield, CA. She had taught in the Springfield schools. She leaves her husband, a son, Ronald Zimmerman, MBA '69, a daughter, two brothers, four sisters, and four grandchildren.

Vernette French Sherman, TC '60, BS '67, has died, the Alumni office recently learned. She lived in Jenison.

Barbara Baskin Loessel, BS '62, died April 16 in Flint, where she lived. She taught there and in Kearsley. Mrs. Loessel leaves her husband, one son, her parents, five brothers, and three sisters.

Frank B. Cooper, BS '66, died April 14 in Hastings. He leaves two daughters, nine granddaughters, and fourteen great-grandchildren.

Dorothy Jean Elsley, BS '70, MA '76, died March 15 in Kalamazoo. She had been a teacher in Schoolcraft, Co., Kalamazoo. She leaves her husband, Paul, three daughters, including Pamela Elsley Gerecke, BA '66, Kalamazoo, and five great-grandchildren.

Helen Thorne, BS '74, died April 17 in Kalamazoo. Before her retirement, she had been a medical and surgical supervising nurse at the Kalamazoo Regional Psychiatric Hospital. She leaves a son, three brothers, a sister, and a granddaughter.

Nona Grace Steigerwald, BS '81, was killed March 11 in a two-car accident near Fort Calhoun, NE. She was a teacher in Schoolcraft, Co., Kalamazoo. She leaves her husband, two sons, and two daughters.

Arthur L. Willis, BA '44, died June 12, 1983, in Panama City. He had been the principal of the Kalamazoo Public Schools for many years. He leaves five children.

The program also draws heavily upon the involvement of parents and consultants in such fields as occupational therapy, early childhood development, special education, and educational psychology. Parental observations of their children at home are recorded in notebooks, which are exchanged regularly with program staff. With the aid of consultants, a personalized language program is designed for each child. The goals are to "graduate" from the program when their individual needs have been met. The graduate students gain practical experience in planning for and working with young children, and the children benefit from learning in a "real world" atmosphere.