**McCracken Hall expansion approved**

The State Legislature has approved a $1.2 million addition to McCracken Hall.

The two-story addition will enable Western to house a pilot plant, a continuous digester, a machine that will make paper from raw materials. When the addition is completed, Dr. Richard B. Valley, chairperson of the Department of Paper Science and Engineering, says Western will be the only institution of higher learning in the nation to have this equipment, as the machine usually is only found in industry.

Construction for the project, which has been under consideration by the Legislature for several years, will probably start next spring and be completed by the summer of 1986.

Western offers bachelor's and master's degrees through its Department of Paper Science and Engineering. The department is recognized internationally for its expertise in paper coating and paper research.

"With this addition, we will be able to improve our research and teaching in modern pulping methods," Valley said. The pilot plant is one of the most complete in the nation and is used for teaching as well as for student and industrial research.

Until now, the department has had "part of a full pulp and paper mill," Valley said. Pulp could be brought in and made into paper. With the new equipment, raw materials will be brought in and made into pulp and then into paper. "The digester will allow us to study pulping of wood and other species so that we can see how other properties vary in making paper," he said.

McCracken was built in 1949 and Western has had a paper pilot plant since 1957, when the first addition was made to McCracken Hall. An addition was made to the pilot plant in 1969. One other addition was made to McCracken in 1971 when a wing was added to the back side of the building. The new addition will be onto the building's northeast side.

In addition to making room for the digester, some other improvements are planned. The addition will provide space for the Department of Chemistry, which is located in McCracken, and the service entrance to the building will be improved.

**Contract ratified**

After five months of difficult negotiations, Western's faculty union has overwhelmingly approved a new contract. The union ratified the contract December 3 and the Board of Trustees ratified it December 6.

The agreement includes a 2 percent increase in fringe benefits for each of the three years the pact is in effect, plus salary increases of 5 percent the first year, 5.5 percent the second year, and 6 percent the third year.

Additionally, the University revised its method of deducting the pay of striking workers, making the process more equitable, and offered to pay all bargaining unit members a $100 bonus when the union signs the new agreement.

**Passing the time—Freshman Lauri J. White, left, of Coldwater, and Gwenndolyn M. Slomp of Kalamazoo relax at the base of a twenty-foot in diameter sun dial recently constructed between Wood Hall and Kanley Chapel. The sun dial cost $14,500 to build and was financed by private donations. It was designed by emeritus Haym Kegelshlag and David Martin, maintenance engineer with Western's planning and engineering services.**

**More than 100 want to be president**

More than 100 persons have applied or been nominated for the presidency at Western, according to Charles H. Ludlow, vice chairman of the University's Board of Trustees and chairman of the presidential search committee.

Dr. John T. Bernhard has announced his intentions to step down from the presidency on June 30, 1985, to return to teaching. He has been Western's chief executive officer since September, 1974.

A seventeen-member screening committee, composed of representatives from Western's various constituency groups, began meeting in early November. By the end of November, Korn/Ferry, the international consulting firm assisting WMU with its search, cut the field of candidates to about twenty persons. The screening committee will reduce this number to live and forward the names to four trustees and two faculty members, who will reduce the number of candidates to two.

**Residence hall life becoming more popular**

While some universities are converting residence halls into conference centers due to lack of student occupants, the facilities at Western are enjoying renewed popularity.

This fall, the number of students occupying Western's twenty-two residence halls has increased, despite a slight drop in total University enrollment.

About 5,638 students are living in residence halls this fall, an increase from last year's peak occupancy of 5,477, according to Robert H. Peterson, manager of residence hall facilities. Current capacity is about 5,800.

Western's enrollment this fall is 18,537, down 505 students from last year.

The increase represents a change from the 1982-83 academic year, when four residence halls with space for 1,000 students were closed due to lack of student housing contracts.

But last fall, a resurgence of interest in residence hall life called for the re-opening of the four halls in the Goldworthy Valley II complex, and the number of occupants have been increasing steadily since then.

In discriminating customers, "Students have become very discriminating consumers," Peterson said. "They want fair value for their money—they're getting it from us and they're showing that they appreciate it."

Western has no rules requiring any student to live on campus. "Everybody is here (in the residence halls) because they choose to be," Peterson says.

He attributes the increase in occupancy to a number of factors, including the economical and plentiful food, the different living options available, the many programs sponsored by the Office of Residence Hall Life, and the increased promotion of these advantages to living on campus.

Some of the special features WMU's food service offers besides regular meals include made to order eggs in the mornings and made to order hamburgers, hotdogs, and grilled cheese sandwiches in the afternoons. Students' tastes are taken into account through weekly menu assessments of foods consumed (or not consumed) and through suggestion boxes.

Various housing options

Different student tastes are also considered regarding living arrangements.

Students may elect to live in a "special interest" hall. This past January, Eicher and LeFevre Halls were designated as "health halls," featuring a weight room with state of the art equipment, a dry sauna, aerobics classes, weight control programs, and calorie and nutritional information on cafeteria menu items.

"High tech" enthusiasts may live in Harrison Hall, which is specifically designed for persons studying engineering or technology-related fields. Features include drafting tables, expanded computer facilities, and specialized study groups.

Living arrangements may also be based on age. Although 50 percent of Western's residence hall occupants are freshmen, older students are attracted to Davis Hall and the two floors of Stinson Hall, which are designated for students with junior class standing or who are age twenty-one and older.

Stinson has adopted the theme of "finishing touches" and is planning programs on placement, resume writing, and what life is like in the world of work.

Other living options include taking a room but no food service or living alone.

Hockie Hall and portions of Bigelow

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New program serves thought with food

Stop lights have become more than traffic signals in the lives of students in the Eicher and LeFevre residence halls. Green, yellow, and red lights have become nutrition signals in the Eicher-LeFevre cafeteria as part of a new program designed to help residence hall students make educated dietary decisions. Called “Stop and Think Before You Eat,” the program has been devised by Western’s Residence Hall Food Service, the dietetic programs in the Department of Consumer Resources and Technology, and the University Health Center.

“What you eat affects your ability to work and study, your physical health and vitality, and your mental clarity and creativity,” Christine G. Zimmer, University Health Center health educator, said in stressing the significance of the program. “It may also affect your employability, your future health, and the quality of your life.”

There are three components to the “Stop and Think Before You Eat!” program. The first is fat content awareness. Cards with traffic signs are posted in front of food choices indicating fat content. Red, yellow, and green lights indicate the wholesomeness of each food choice. Dietary fat is the component presently considered to be the greatest risk factor related to cancer. Zimmer says. She also notes that a high level of fat intake has been linked with the development of coronary artery disease, which leads to heart attack and stroke, and that the development of coronary artery disease begins during the early years of adulthood.

Calorie plans make up the second component of the program. To help students maintain or lose weight, menus include nutritionally balanced 1,200, 1,500, and 1,800 calorie food plans. A 1,200 calorie diet meets the minimum nutritional requirements for women, while a 1,500 calorie plan meets the minimum requirements for men. An 1,800 calorie diet is suggested as a weight maintenance plan for most people.

The third component of the program is nutrition information. Educational information on nutrition and other diet-related topics is being offered to students in the form of handouts available in the cafeteria.

The program has not required a modification in the Eicher-LeFevre cafeteria menu and it could be implemented in other residence hall cafeterias if it proves popular in Eicher-LeFevre.

Residence hall life

Hal are equipped with kitche nettes. Unlike the other residence halls, Hokie is open 365 days a year. Henry Hall and 200 rooms throughout the rest of Western’s campus are available for single assignments. Students must pay slightly more for the solitude ($2 per night), but the premium has not deterred many students.

Western’s Office of Residence Hall Facilities also tries to accommodate student tastes by matching roommate requests as often as possible and by allowing students to “personalize” their rooms. Western provides paint and equipment free of charge and permits the building of leafs. Helping students grow

Also helping to make WMU’s “houses more like homes” is the Office of Residence Hall Life, which organizes some 1,000 programs each year.

“Heath is not just to make residence hall life more fun, but to

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make sure we complement the educational mission of the University,” Sally V. Pippen, director of residence hall life, says.

For the special interest halls, special interest programs are planned. All students in residence halls are asked to fill out “interest inventories” each fall, and hall programs are scheduled to match common student needs.

“We’re providing experiences that help students through the transitional phase—I see residence halls as ‘half-way houses’ between the shelter of a student’s home and their becoming a contributing member of a community,” Pippen says.

She maintains that today’s residence halls are much more than the “nocturnal storage units” of years past. “By making learning take place in residence halls, we structure the opportunities so students grow through them,” she says.
Historical restoration, recreation, and youth employment are all being served through a land improvement project at Western. The project, in the relatively undeveloped Asylum Lake area southwest of WMU's main campus, is a cooperative effort involving several University departments and the state-funded Michigan Youth Corps (MYC).

During the past two summers, Western personnel and MYC workers have cleared brush and undergrowth from about twenty-three acres of land in the University's wilderness area. These cleared areas have been carefully mowed in an effort to control undesirable vegetation and to aid the growth of prairie plants and oak saplings.

"This area is a prairie, in effect, underneath a canopy of oak trees," explained project director Dr. John T. Houdek, assistant professor of socioeconomic resources and technology. "It's what is known as an oak savanna."

This project is giving us an opportunity to restore the area to its original condition - the condition it was in when the pioneers settled in this area in the 1830s and 1840s. "There's great interest nationally in historical restoration projects," Houdek continued, "and this is an unusual area. Oak savannas are not that common.

Clearing efforts have increased the area's recreational value. "It's now more attractive for joggers, bikers, and cross country skiers," Houdek said. "We hope to be able to mark out some cross country ski trails in the area in the near future.

Open to the public, the area is accessible through gates off Drake, Winchell, and Old Colony roads. "This is a positive project for the MYC," Paul MacNellis, grounds maintenance supervisor, said. "We've given youths an opportunity for summer work on a project with historical and recreational value. And during the summer, the MYC workers had opportunities to attend job skills workshops and learn about various careers.

The area under development was part of a 375-acre parcel of land transferred from the Michigan Department of Mental Health to WMU in 1975. At one time, several state mental hospital buildings stood on the restoration site. Other parts of the parcel have been used over the years as cropland.

"The next step, which will begin probably next year, is to plant seeds of many of the savanna plants that were once growing there," Houdek said. "Biological and prairie restoration groups are going to be important to our efforts. They gather the seeds of some of these plants that are no longer present on our site. Re-establishing these prairie plants may take fifteen to twenty years."

Americans sticking with traditional holiday foods

Holiday food traditions have changed little in recent decades, but the marking of East and West, and favorite has changed significantly during the same time span. So says Richard Neslich, associate professor of consumer resources and technology. Neslich directs the food distribution program in the Department of Consumer Resources and Technology.

"I don't see too much in 'new traditions,'" Neslich said. "As traditional as Americans are concerning Thanksgiving and Christmas, I don't think we're ready to substitute geese and lamb and some other things that are traditional holiday foods in other countries. They're not really big sellers here. We're still pretty much looking at turkeys for Thanksgiving and hams for Christmas and New Year's Day."

Once strictly a holiday season delight, turkeys are now marketed on a year-round basis. While turkeys are now more than a holiday season staple, other tastes gather dust on shoppers' shelves in all other months except November and December.

"Grocers probably sell 90 percent of their cranberry sauce between Thanksgiving and the first of the year," Neslich noted. Other foods with special holiday appeal include pumpkin pie, mince meat, and the baking goods necessary for making fruitcakes and Christmas cookies.

Neslich predicts holiday food will be plentiful this year and adds that most of these items are bargain priced at the grocery store.

"Turkeys are really a bargain. Most supermarket chains use turkeys as an item to draw customers into a store, hoping the shopper will buy all the trimmings with the turkey," Neslich said. "Celery, sweet potatoes, and bread stuffing - most of these kinds of items are a bargain to the consumer. Coming close after harvest, there's a buildup of these supplies at this time of year."

Western's food distribution program is one of only five such programs in the United States, and with an enrollment of about 160 majors, it is the nation's second largest.

Paper foundation elects officers

Officers of the Paper Technology Foundation, Inc., were elected during the foundation's annual meeting October 9 and 10 at Western. William V. Cross, a consultant with Neko Chemical Co., Rockport, Maine; William Weidendorf, with Central National-Gottesman, Inc., New York, New York, and Richard N. V. Buren, director of marketing for the J. M. Huber Corp., Macon, Georgia, were re-elected as president and vice-president, respectively, and will take office as president in 1983.

Vice-presidents elected were: William V. Cross, a consultant with Neko Chemical Co., Rockport, Maine; William Weidendorf, with Central National-Gottesman, Inc., New York, New York, and Richard N. V. Buren, director of marketing for the J. M. Huber Corp., Macon, Georgia; and Robert H. Swarts, retired from the Black Clawson Co., New York, New York.

Newly elected trustees are: Robert Breitmier, vice president with the Container Corp. of America, Chicago, Illinois; Gary Butryn, vice president for manufacturing with the Potlatch Corp., Cleoquet, Minnesota; Ernest J. Klimczak, president of Allied Paper Inc., Kalamazoo, Michigan; and Kenneth Hartmann, director of marketing and sales at Anglo-American Clays Corp., Atlanta, Georgia; and Richard N. V. Buren, director of marketing at the Potlatch Corp., Cleoquet, Minnesota.

Several awards were also presented during the annual meeting. William Sickman, retired vice chairman of Appleton Papers, Appleton, Wisconsin, received the foundation's Hall of Fame Award. The award is the highest honor bestowed by the foundation.

A fifteen-year award was presented to Nicolet Paper Co., De Pere, Wisconsin, for its continuous support of the foundation.

Those named foundation fellows, in recognition of their service to the foundation and/or the Department of Paper Science and Engineering, were: Dr. John T. Bernhard, Western's president, and Robert E. Bougourd, associate dean in Western's College of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

Also at the meeting, a special plaque was presented in recognition of the service of Robert B. Wetnight, WMU vice president for finance and treasurer of the foundation.
Sports

Broncos end season with a 5-6 record

Western’s 1984 football team ended its season with a 5-6 record, but four of the losses came by five or fewer points. Named to the All-Mid-American Conference (MAC) team were senior tackle Tom Toth, junior linebacker John Offerdahl, and senior kicker Mike Prindle. Prindle set a league season-kick scoring record with ninety points. He also set a field goal record for the MAC season (24) and a career field goal record (54). Offerdahl’s 525 career tackles, including 182 this fall, easily surpassed the old varsity record of 346.

Volleyball squad captures championship

For a third straight year, Western’s volleyball team qualified for the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament by winning the Atlantic 10, and the team was ranked number one in the nation during the season. Western also set a program record for increased revenues and budgets from $1.6 million to $3.1 million through increased contributions. The team to contend in the Mid-American Conference (MAC) was the help of ten returning lettermen. Coaching Bob Buck’s squad finished the regular campaign with a 25-7 overall record and a perfect 18-0 in the MAC. WMU has not lost in forty-two straight MAC league matches dating back to 1982.

Joseph’s Temple, and West Virginia. Prior to this, he was president of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division 1 National Association of Football Independents (1978-79) and president of the Eastern Eight Conference (1977-78).

The Harbauhs are a father and son team

A year ago, John Harbaugh was playing football against a Western team coached by his father, Jack. This year the Harbauhs were united both at home and on the field when John became a volunteer Bronco coach. John, twenty-two, was a reserve defensive back and in 1984 received a political science degree from Miami University. Although strongly thinking about going on to law school, he has an interest in coaching and was offered a chance to work at Western as a non-paid volunteer.

"I was able, though, to offer him free room and board," Jack says in a tongue-and-cheek fashion. However, Western’s head coach is quick to add that “once people found out John was interested in coaching, I almost didn’t keep him because they offered him part-time positions that paid more money." Those offers came from West Virginia and Kansas.

John says he looked forward to working for his dad but was nervous about the responsibility. "It was more than I expected because of my age," he says.

"We needed an offensive coach and I welcomed that opportunity after playing defense. What really surprised me was the amount of football I didn’t know. When you play, all you think about is your own position. I’m just starting to scratch the surface for overall football knowledge." Named to the All-MAC second-team were strong safety Ken Luckett and flanker Cliff Reed. Honorable mention choices were quarterback Steve Hoffman and u-back/tight end Kelly Spielmaker.

Men gymnasts are gunning for the title

With eight all-around members of the women’s gymnastics team returning, combined with two freshmen who have extensive United States Gymnastics Federation (USGF) experience. Coach Kathy Beaugard expects the 1984-85 team to campaign for the Mid-American Conference (MAC) title honors.

Last year the Broncos enjoyed one of its finest seasons in the University’s history with a 6-1-2 dual meet record. This win-loss record included a win over MAC champion Kent State University and a tie with runner-up Bowling Green State University, a victory in Western’s own eight-team invitational, and a fourth-place conference finish.

Gymnastics schedules

Byrd named new athletic director

Dr. Leland E. Byrd has become the sixth athletic director in Western’s history.

He has been a commissioner of the Atlantic 10 Conference, an athletic director at West Virginia University, a high school and college coach, chairman of a physical education department, and a star athlete.

"Dr. Byrd brings a unique combination of skills and background to Western at a critical period in the development of our programs in intercollegiate athletics," said Chauncey J. Brinn, vice president for university relations, to whom Byrd will report. "Never has there been greater potential for success in athletics at Western than right now, and Dr. Byrd is ideally suited to help us realize that potential.

A native of Motaoka, West Virginia, Byrd holds three degrees—a bachelor’s, master’s, and a doctorate—from West Virginia University. He was a basketball All-American his senior year, the first in history, and at age 23 Byrd was West Virginia’s athlete of the year in 1947. In 1948 he was a first-round draft choice of the New York Knicks, but his National Basketball Association career was interrupted by four years service as an Army lieutenant.

Byrd was assistant athletic director for Florida’s Miami-Dade Junior College North from 1966 to 1969, and director at Miami-Dade South from 1969 to 1972. In 1972 he returned to West Virginia as athletic director. During his seven-year tenure, he was responsible for adding eight women’s sports to the Mountaineer program and for increasing athletic budgets from $1.6 million to $3.1 million through increased revenues and contributions.

He was also instrumental in receiving state funding for a new 50,000-seat football stadium and a $4 million athletic and physical education building, serving as the planning committee chairman for both projects. In 1979 Byrd was the first commissioner of the Atlantic 10, a conference that is now headquartered in Rutherford, New Jersey. Its members are Duquesne, George Washington, Massachusetts, Penn State, Rhode Island, Rutgers, St. Bonaventure, St.

Leland E. Byrd, left, has been named Western’s new director of intercollegiate athletics. He will report to Chauncey J. Brinn, right, vice president for university relations.
Edward and Jean Rossi establish scholarship

The recent establishment of the Edward and Jean Rossi Athletic Scholarship Fund is the latest chapter in one couple's long history of involvement with Western's athletic endeavors.

The Rossis have taken a new approach in creating their scholarship fund, one which others are likely to follow in the years ahead. Each year they contribute $1,500 to the Gary Athletic Fund, $500 of which is awarded to a deserving student/athlete in program of semester course work. The remaining $1,000 goes into a permanent endowment fund. After ten years the return on the fund will be sufficient to provide annual scholarships.

This year's Rossi scholarship recipient is Joe Humphries of Plymouth. A junior majoring in business, he received the award from WMU coach Fred Decker and has a 3.85 grade point average. He is from the baseball team as a lefthanded baseball pitcher. A key member of a B-24 and a recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross award for his bravery and sacrifice, Humphries' selection demonstrated the close relationship between the university and the community.

In a few words...

- **Graduate student awarded Fulbright**
  - A Western graduate student traveled to the Asian country of Bangladesh in September as a grant-winner in the prestigious Fulbright exchange program.

- **Engels revisits Nigerian college**
  - Western has been good to me and I'm delighted to be able to return that and encourage young people through our scholarship fund. Engels revisits Nigerian college.

- **AUSA company a national winner**
  - Members of WMU's Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) unit have received one of eight special performance awards presented by the Association of the United States Army (AUSA). The group took top nationwide honors in "best activities to assist the ROCU unit." This marks the first time WMU's AUSA company has won a top national award.

- **Enrollment increases noted**
  - More international students and more continuing education students are on campus this fall compared to last fall. The number of persons enrolled in courses through the Office of Credit Programs in the Division of Continuing Education increased by 14 percent, from 1,754 to 1,996.

- **Book Nook**
  - Dr. James C. Petersen, associate professor of sociology and associate director of Western's Center for Social Research, has edited and co-written Citizen Participation in Science Policy. It is the first book-length analysis of citizen participation in the development of scientific and technical policy.

- **Hazardous waste guide published**
  - Hazardous Wastes and the Consumer Connection, a fourteen-page booklet on the role of consumers in the generation of hazardous wastes, has been published at Western by the University's Science and Technology Center and the Michigan Environmental Education Association. It is a teaching aid as well as a citizens guide.

- **Cistercian publications**
  - Cistercian Publications, Inc., co-sponsor of Western's Institute of Cistercian Studies, has published three new volumes.

- **Emeritus completes fifth edition**
  - A fifth edition of the book, Abbreviations in Medicine, written by Dr. Edwin B. Steen, a professor emeritus of biology, has been published. The book now contains more than 15,000 common medical and related abbreviations and is considered one of the most comprehensive in its field.

- **Galligan book published**
  - The Comic Vision in Literature, a book written by Dr. Edward L. Galligan, professor of English, has been published by the University of Georgia Press. The book argues there is a comic vision of reality, just as there is a tragic vision. It identifies some of the main imperatives of this vision through a close reading of various British, American, and European texts.
Among Alumni

Dear WMU Alumni:

Jamie Jeremy asked that I take her normal practice in the University, and give you some of my thoughts as your new Alumni Association president. As I look backward to the year ahead, I am pleased to have this opportunity to express my thoughts to each of you concerning our role as alumni.

The University is not a monolithic institution comprised simply of brick and mortar. It is an amalgamation of four critical elements, each of these playing a vital role in the educational process. No single element can exist by itself, but must depend upon the other for nourishment, ideas, and inspiration.

The University is itself, but must depend upon the other elements for its continued existence. These elements are, students, faculty, administration, and alumni. One is not more important than the other, but all must work hand-in-hand with each other for the mutual advancement of the institution and each other. Because of this, the purpose of these remarks concentrate on the role of alumni in the University.

When I graduated from Western Michigan University, I felt smug in my accomplishment, as it was something no one else in my family had achieved. Somehow succeeding in my endeavors overwhelmed me, and there was little thought of what those connected with the University had done for me. It was my achievement.

As my successes have become greater, I have reflected on that accomplishment and how it was achieved. All of us that attended Western were, in some way or another, influenced by people connected with WMU.

It may have been a family member, neighbor, or associate that informed our decision to attend Western. It may have been a teacher who expanded our minds or instilled the discipline to excel in our field. It may have been an advisor who steered us along a career path, or it may have been an administrator who helped us secure the much needed financial resources allowing us to continue our educational endeavors.

There are other, more meaningful relationships that can be forged after graduation. By keeping in close contact with the people at the University, we can exchange valuable information. We can learn what is going on in the real world so that curriculum and courses can be structured to meet future needs. The computer literacy program at Western was born out of such an exchange.

Our personal connections with the University can also afford future alumni employment opportunities. Our attitude toward the University is observed by those around us. We serve as role models in our community and to potential students wishing to matriculate to Western Michigan University. To continue the great tradition that we have at Western, we must continue to seek the top students in our communities and encourage their attendance.

No organization is perfect. We see the imperfections that exist within our University today. As alumni, we must work together with the students, faculty, and administration to identify and eliminate any imperfections, thus giving the University an opportunity to grow and continue to provide the quality education its students and alumni deserve.

I hope you realize that being an alumnus of Western Michigan University is important. The University is a valuable resource which you should nurture, use, criticize, and appreciate. The University is important to you and is important to the University. The WMU Alumni Association looks forward to our continued and future participation in this partnership.

Sincerely,

Allen C. Emmons
President
WMU Alumni Association

Alumni programs

All aboard the “Love Boat”

The WMU Alumni Association is issuing the final boarding call for Western alumni to sail aboard the “Love Boat” March 30 through April 6. Travellers will arrive in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, March 30 and spend three nights at the fabulous Baguantillas Sheraton Hotol. On the fourth day, the group will board the luxurious Pacific Princess and cruise north with sightsee while you study

The Alumni Association is pleased to announce an addition to its 1985 travel program—a trip to Great Britain from July 26 to August 16. The trip is a perfect blend of educational, recreational, and social experiences. Participants will spend sixteen days on the campuses of the University of Warwick, University College of North Wales, University of Edinburgh, and University of York, attending morning lecture sessions and taking part in afternoon sightseeing tours. The final three days will be spent in London.

The price of $2,251 per person includes round trip airfare from New York, all lodging, three meals a day except in London, and all bus and train transportation. Space is limited so call or write the WMU Office of Alumni Relations today and request a brochure detailing all the highlights of this enrichment travel opportunity.

Free career assessment offered

For the third consecutive year, children of Western alumni can take advantage of free career assessment and counseling.

The Alumni Association, along with Western’s Testing and Evaluation Services and the Career Education Council, is offering the program free of charge as a service to children of alumni.

The assessment, developed by the Testing Services and Evaluation staff, explores four areas: interests, personality, work values, and achievement/aptitude.

Participants, along with six hours, exclusive of lunch, will be required to complete the assessment. It will be offered on campus April 2, 4, 9, and 11, 1985, and begins at 9:00 a.m.

Alumni Association annual meeting—The WMU Alumni Association Board of Directors held its annual meeting October 5. Directors present included, from left to right, (seated) Susanne Gehl Merpi, Sonja Kaminski, Lawrence Russell, Georgia Van Adestine, and Michael Dollas, and (standing) Lorraine Bebee, Arthur Auer, Robert Bailey, Keith Preitty, Bill Maze, Hal Grasschurch, Sterling Bird, Allen Emmons. Tom Randolph, James McCour- mick, Richard Carlson, Charlotte Ferraro, and Alan Covey. Directors not pictured are Dennis Duval, David Robinson, Jack Ryan, Fred Stevens, and Emily Wood. Serving as 1984-85 of- ficers are Emmons, president; Preitty, vice president; Carlson, treasurer; and Covey, immediate past president.

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Alumni gatherings

Florida

University President John Bernhard will join Western alumni and friends in Florida for a series of Alumni Association sponsored programs February 25 through March 1. Dr. Bernhard, who will step down as president June 30, 1985, and return to the classroom, will share his thoughts about Western as he reviews his ten-year presidency and presents his view of the University’s future.

Program details were not at press time, but these dates and locations have been established: Ft. Lauderdale, February 25; Ft. Myers, February 26; Bradenton, February 28, and St. Petersburg, March 1. Watch your mail for additional information.

New life members

New life members of the Alumni Association are:

New business ventures are risky but exciting

Editor's Note: This is the first in a series of four articles about entrepreneurs. Anne Johnson, an admissions counselor, wrote the series of four articles about alumni in conjunction with a research project. The remaining articles will appear in the February, April, and June issues of The Westerner.

The start-up phase of a new business is both exciting and risky. However, Western alumnus Ed Jones hopes to minimize his risk and maximize his potential for success by first conducting an extensive investigation of his product market as he launches a manufacturing firm in Cassopolis. Jones brings both manufacturing and sales experience to his new role as entrepreneur. After graduating from Western in 1976 with a bachelor's degree in business administration, he was manufacturing supervisor with Ed Jones

John Deere, Inc., in Iowa. Then he joined the Combined Insurance Company of America, where he set up three national sales records. Now Jones is on his own. In the past months, he has researched the feasibility of his business idea, an idea that has spawned a company that produces wood frames for the manufactured housing industry.

"I've done a complete cost analysis on equipment and supplies, and studied government projections on the future of manufactured housing. Then I compared those projections with information I received from the manufactured housing industry itself," Jones said.

"I've also contacted the presidents of several building companies to learn more about their product requirements. They were very supportive, since they were interested in new supplies that might lower their overall costs." After evaluating the market for his product, Jones is optimistic about the future of his firm. "It's so obvious—it worries me that it hasn't already been done. The potential here is phenomenal."

A self-described "workaholic," Jones believes that more people should turn their dream of starting a business into a reality. "My grandfather started his business in an old chicken coop. With hard work, you can start with nothing and build something. I would like other people to realize how possible this is."

Reunions

Class of 1945 to celebrate fortieth
On June 7 and 8, 1985, members of the Class of 1945 will return to campus for their fortieth anniversary reunion. Special mailings will be sent to all class members and details will appear in future issues of The Westerner.

Golden Anniversary Reunion
The Class of 1935 will return to Western's campus June 14, 1985, to conduct an extensive investigation of a new business is highly motivated. "I attribute my drive to my father. For him, there was never anything acceptable but the best. I am proud of him, for the things he's accomplished. I am also motivated to help my own children achieve their goals."

Entrepreneurship runs in the Jones family and Ed is the third generation to venture into his own business. He is convinced that self-employment offers the ultimate job benefits. "I love the control and the idea of being judged based on what I do individually. Even if this particular venture is unsuccessful, I will not re-enter the corporate world."

Jones believes that more people should turn their dream of starting a business into a reality. "My grandfather started his business in an old chicken coop. With hard work, you can start with nothing and build something. I would like other people to realize how possible this is."
Protecting your rights with a will

“I don’t need a will, everything should automatically go to my spouse,” a friend recently commented. “Why go to the trouble and expense of having a will made?”

This friend didn’t know how wrong he was. This kind of thinking fosters the waste and confusion that frequently results when people of even modest means die without a will.

Why do people neglect the right and responsibility of making a will? Some believe they’re too young, too poor, or that it’s too late. Others think they don’t need a will because they have no family or because they rely on other arrangements for financial planning. Like joint ownership, joint ownership is a useful tool, but it should be used in conjunction with a will, not in the place of a will.

Usually, however, making a will simply gets lost in the whirlwind of everyday living, and is put off until it’s too late.

In many states (Michigan included) if you fail to make a will and your spouse survives you, that spouse may get anywhere from one-third to one-half of your estate, not the whole estate. In effect, the state will make your will for you.

Current federal law allows you to pass on everything to a surviving spouse free of federal estate tax, but only if that spouse predeceases you, that spouse may pass on everything to a surviving spouse survives you, that spouse may pass on everything to a surviving spouse. If your spouse predeceases you, your entire estate will be subject to taxes. Furthermore, assuming your spouse does survive you, your estate will still be subject to taxes upon your spouse’s death. While a simple will, by itself, will not avoid federal taxes, it can serve as the foundation of a comprehensive estate plan, often at substantial tax savings. Combining a well-written will with a trust is frequently a way to substantially reduce or even eliminate the estate tax problem.

In 1984 estates valued at $325,000 or less are not subject to federal tax. This amount is scheduled to rise to $600,000 by 1987.

However, legislation currently under consideration in Congress could postpone or even eliminate the planned increase in tax-free estate passage.

For a person with no immediate family, a will is especially valuable. Property can be bequeathed to special friends rather than distributed by law to a distant relative. Bequests to charitable organizations also find a place in the wills of many who wish to continue their involvement in a worthy cause beyond their lifetime.

In short, avoiding taxes and minimizing unnecessary costs are important functions of a will, but by no means the only ones. Your will is an extremely personal document, and you have the right to manage it wisely and say what becomes of it after you no longer need it.

A will is, indeed, a necessity for everyone.

For further information on wills and estate planning, contact Paul Knudstrup at the WMU Foundation, (616) 383-4973.

Medallion Scholar applicants sought

If you know of a high school graduating senior who may qualify for a WMU Medallion Scholarship, encourage him or her to send for an application today. Besides helping inspire a young scholar, you’ll be fostering academic excellence at Western.

The Medallion Scholarships were established this year to support the studies of the University’s superior undergraduate students. They are the most prestigious and selective undergraduate scholarships awarded at Western. They signify the University’s commitment to exceptional students who have demonstrated superior leadership and intellectual achievement.

These scholarships are not based upon financial need and are awarded regardless of race, creed, or color.

Please provide the following information to students you’re acquainted with:

• Medallion Scholarships are awarded for a four-year degree program and amount to more than $20,000 ($5,000 each year for four years). Satisfactory achievement, befitting such a prestigious award, and graduation from Western are expected.

• Each Medallion Scholar will be provided a faculty scholarly-mentor to encourage, assist, counsel, and advise the student about his or her academic programming.

• The scholarships are awarded on the basis of superior academic achievement while in high school, not on financial need. A selection committee will examine the applicant’s high school academic record and other evidence of academic promise. Finalists will be expected to appear for an interview.

• Applications must be received no later than February 15 preceding the fall semester of the next academic year. Applications will only be accepted from high school seniors.

Application forms for the WMU Medallion Scholarships are available from the Office of Student Financial Aid, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49008-3899.

Last year 163 students applied for these scholarships. Fifteen applicants were invited for interviews, and six were awarded 1984 scholarships.
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Dr. John J. Pruis, BA '48, August 17 was elected to the board of trustees of Hillsdale College. He is also a director of the Northern Virginia Community College Educational Foundation. He was WMU alumna director from 1960 to 1962. His wife is Dr. Dorothy Corne Fenwick, BS '57, MA '64.

Wayne F. Carr, BS '57, is now chairman of the pulp manufacture division, Technical the First of America Bank Corp.

Douglas Wakefield, BA '56, is now an Oakland Community College trustee. Wakefield is librarian at Kennedy High School, Taylor.

Henry Ford III, TC '26, and Mildred Wotring Ford, TC '29, BA '54, observed their fiftieth two poems published this year in The Family Treasury of Great Poems Two years ago another poem was published in an earlier edition. In addition, she is a volunteer teacher in Lynn Haven FL., where she lives.

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Henry Ford III, TC '26, and Mildred Wotring Ford, TC '29, BA '54, observed their fiftieth wedding anniversary this summer in Kalamazoo. Ford was the University attorney for many years and is now retired. Marie Fomesme Wolff, TC '26, BS '62, and her husband observed their fifth wedding anniversary in August at their home in Nashville, IN, where they retired in 1974.


Marguerite Horsfall Fenwick, TC '32, and her husband, Clair, in September celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in Chilms, where they live. She taught in the Chilms-Scotts junior high school for twenty years. They have three children and seven grandchildren.

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Ronald D. Harris, BBA '75, is now controller of Bishop Petroleum, Inc., Houston, TX. Jane Prochnow-LaGrow, BS '75, MA '79, earned her EdD degree at Northern Illinois University in August. Her study was in special education. She lives in Glen Ellyn, IL.

Marshall B. Wayne, BS '75, is systems analyst for Ameristaff Savings & Loan, Mission Viejo, CA, and is an associate media director at William R. Beneke, BA '79, in Chicago, IL.

Michael L. Thorrez, BS '72, has been appointed a director of the advisory board of Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance, Brown Deer, WI.

Russell H. Tiller, Jr., BS '74, is very pleased with his recent appointment as general manager of Thorrez Industries, Kalamazoo.

James A. Allen, MBA '80, in June was elected executive officer of the Home Builders Association of Central Mass., North Andover.

Karen Davies, BFA '78, is now on the faculty of Spirit Square, Charlotte, NC, where she received her MFA degree in sculpture/fiber at the University of South Carolina.

Clarence Winkler, BBA '78, has opened his own accounting practice in Richland. He is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University.

Clarett T. Toth, BA '79, received his MD degree last June at Wayne State University, Detroit.

David W. Johnson, BBA '75, was named manager of external relations for Whirlpool Corp., Portage, OH.

Joseph E. Schmitt III, BBA '76, has joined the faculty of the University of Dayton.

Robert L. Schultz, BBA '67, MBA '71, and Elen Dzwarski, BS '72, MA '74, August 4 in Kalamazoo. They are both teachers in the Kalamazoo City School System.

Beverly A. Moore, BS '82, has joined the faculty of Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo.

Candice Kahan, MSW '72, is now supervisor at the Crayola, Inc., in Easton, PA.

Joan E. Strong, MA '73, is now a member of the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra.

Carolyn A. Stalnaker, BA '76, has been appointed assistant director of the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra.

William H. Pray, BBA '74, has been appointed to the faculty of Oregon State University, Corvallis.

Charles M. Redd, Jr., BS '72, completed his Ph.D. degree this summer at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, specializing in surgical oncology.

Robert L. Strange, BBA '74, is now an assistant professor in the Department of Physics at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Charles B. Redd, Jr., BS '79, received an MA degree from Central Michigan University.
She is a social worker for Family & Children's Services.

Jane Marchetti Reich, BS '72, parochuted into her wedding with Paul Oremek, BS '79, June 30 in Frankenmuth. They live in Las Vegas, NV, where she is a nurse at Valley Medical Center and he is an engineer at Raytheon Electric & Engineering Co.

Vicki Scannell, BS '73, and Andrew Edmann, August 5 in Minneapolis, MN. She is teaching dietetics at Normandale Community College. They live in St. Louis Park, MN.

She is a manager of Cantos, Crossroads Mall, in the city of Detroit. She lives in Warren, MI.

Patrick A. Benton, BS '80, and Susan Raizer, June 30 in Kalamazoo. He is a transmission engineer at the Waterford Power Laboratory. She is a financial manager at the University of Michigan.

Douglas Newington, BBA '81, and Susan Goodrich, June 9 in Augusta. He works for the American Home Foods, Maumee, OH. She is a sales representative for the Beef Industry Refrigeration Co.

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Kevin Schwan, BS ’83, and Christine Lay, August 15 in Monroe. He is an industrial supply sales rep at Chelsea, MI. Three years ago he was an agent for Michigan Mutual Liability Co. He leaves his wife, Christine Lay, 18 years ago.

Liana Sheave, MA ’83, and Lawrence Bocke, July 14 in Decatur.

John C. Stap, BBA ’83, and Ann Johnson, August 23 in South Haven.

Terry M. Teyes, BS ’83, and Karen Star, MBA ’83, and Warren Myer, August 4 in Kalamazoo. She is a W MU College of Business professor.

Benjamin R. Genet, BS ’83, and Jody W. O’Brien, June 30 in Janesville.

Jodi E. VandenBosch, BA ’83, and Dina Hadley, June 23 in Kalamazoo. He is with General Motors Corp.

John F. Wills, BS ’83, and Mary Ann Bogio, June 16 in Kalamazoo. He is a student at Cooley Law School, Lansing.

Deaths

Carl E. Millard, TC ’17, died January 12, 1983, in Three Rivers. It was recently learned. He earned a degree at the University of Michigan and many years ago he was an agent for Michigan Mutual Liability Co. He leaves his wife, Bernice Allen Millard, July 16, one son, and one granddaughter.

Carol C. Bailey, TC ’22, BA ’28, died August 26 in Alpena. A longtime Grand Rapids resident, he retired in 1977 after forty-five years in education, last serving as principal of the Riverfront High School. She leaves her wife, one daughter, two grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and one brother, Dr. Perry Bailey, TC ‘24, BA ’34, Lansing.

Robert M. Miller, TC ’22, BA ’25, coach, athletic director, and principal in the Sturgis school system, died September 30. After graduation he coached for five years in Mason, and moved to Sturgis for the remainder of his active career, becoming principal in 1948. Miller was honored in 1965 by the Sturgis Exchange Club with its Book of Golden Deeds Award, and in 1966 he was elected to the Michigan High School Hall of Fame. He leaves his wife, one daughter, two sons, daughters, Mildred Meier, ’54, Plainwell, and Judith Miller Nuechterlein, BA ’56, Frankenmuth, and seven grandchildren, including Kimberly Meier, Coleman, BS ’80, Charlotte, NC, and Ronald Meier, BS ’83, Kalamazoo.

Katherine Ellinger Livingston, TC ’23, BA ’28, MA ’82, died September 2 in Kalamazoo. She had been a teacher in the Galesburg, Comstock, and Gull Lake school systems, and was living in Galesburg. She leaves one daughter, three grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, one sister, and one brother.

Barbara Beach Elsner, TC ’24, died June 16 in Lansing. She leaves her husband and two children.

Aida Cart Hambek Server, TC ’24, died July 14 in Jackson. She made her home in Leoni, where she had been a teacher. She also had taught in Fremont, Greenville, and Kalamazoo. A native of Ionia, she leaves her husband, one sister, and seven stepchildren.

John M. Barnes, TC ’25, died July 19 in Traverse City. He began teaching in 1950 and in 1956, and became a high school principal in 1958 and a superintendent in 1960, a position he held for thirty-three years. He continued residing in Flat Rock after retiring in 1982. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Jeanne Red Foy, TC ’25, died October 11 in Kalamazoo. She had taught in Bangor for many years and made her home there. She leaves four daughters, one son, fourteen grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Carolyn Cole, BA ’26, died October 12 in Kalamazoo. In December, she had been in the hospital for some time due to illness. She was an active member of the Michigan Athletic Fund and at the time of her death was a member of the board of directors of the WMU Alumni Association. She leaves her father, two sons, one brother, and two sisters.

Jack E. Craig, MA ’59, EdD ’66, died June 10 in Lakeland, FL, where he had lived since retirement in 1978. He had taught in Olivet and Holt, and lived in Marshall and Chicago. He leaves his wife, and his mother.

Huggett Graham, BA ’39, died May 14 in Madison, WI. She leaves her husband and two children.

Cecil F. Dorn, BS ’42, died May 28 in Kalamazoo. He was a member of the Kalamazoo County Board of Directors.

Josephine D. Meyer, MA ’55, died May 6 in Kalamazoo. She was a member of the Kalamazoo County Board of Directors.

Pamela A. Klous, MA ’57, died May 7 in Kalamazoo. She was a member of the Kalamazoo County Board of Directors.

Judy Ann Cauchon, BA ’82, died October 7, 1981, in an automobile accident.

family business, Fruiting Equipment Co. He was organist at the First Presbyterian Church in Paw Paw for nineteen years and choir director for twelve.

He leaves his wife, Jane, ’60, two sons, and two brothers.

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