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Women no longer funnelled away from pursuing engineering careers

Until recently the engineering profession has been viewed as a profession dominated by men. But that's changing, according to Sandra Blanchard, director of the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences. "The message that women bring is being made clear by the engineering profession, by employers, and by higher education," Blanchard said. "Engineering is not intrinsically male. Women can be an engineer or can do (even do better) by females; women can succeed in an engineering career."

A mere 17 percent of the engineering bachelor's degree candidates in 1992 were women and only 2 percent of practicing engineers in the early 1970s were women, Blanchard noted. By 1984, however, women accounted for 14 percent of engineering graduates and 16 percent of those in engineering programs, she continued. Looking at technical fields in general, the number of women in the science and engineering workforce in 1982 was 13 percent, an increase of more than 200 percent from that reported ten years earlier. In addition, Blanchard said a decade ago average salaries for female engineers were lower than for their male counterparts. However, women's salaries are now averaging as much as the same as men in most engineering disciplines.

"Engineering was thought to require the physical strength involved in construction and manufacturing activities, such as building bridges, digging tunnels, and operating heavy equipment," Blanchard explained. "This perception of engineering, coupled with the perception by employers that women would subordinate their careers to families, thus restricting job opportunities, was shared by educators at the levels of high schools, community colleges, and universities. By 1984, however, women accounted for 14 percent of the 'old guard' are still involved, many of the 'new guard' are actively creating the old stereotypes. What she needs is now for junior high and high school teachers and counselors to encourage young women to pursue careers in high technology areas.

Western, the engineering profession, and professional engineering societies have in the last few years have been actively encouraging women like Julie Sova, a senior from Muskegon, to enter in engineering programs.

Seven more Medallion Scholarships established and awarded

Seven new Medallion Scholarships, each valued at $20,000 over four years, have been established this fall. They bring to twenty the number of Medallion Scholarships created since the program, one of the largest merit scholarship programs in American higher education, began in 1964. Including interest, the total value of the scholarships is more than $1 million.

Each Medallion Scholarship is established in the name of a donor or honoree for four years, after which it expires unless renewed or endowed by the donor. Recipients are from Michigan unless otherwise specified by the donor.

The latest donors are the Credit Equipment Corporation of Buchanan; Harold, B.S. '32, and Beulah, B.S. '34, M.A. '50, McKee of Parchment; James M., N.R.A. '74, and Mary B. Thorne of Kalamazoo; the Detroit alumni organization; and the University of Chicago.

The Clark Credit Medallion Scholarship, designated for a student in the College of Business, went to Catherine M. Riske of Grand Rapids. Clark Credit is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Clark Equipment Company of South Bend, Indiana.

The McNeil Scholarship follows a long line of scholarships established by the McNees, who taught in Kalamazoo area schools for thirty-nine years. It went to Y. Lea of Cadillac.

The Thorne scholarship, designated for a student in the College of Arts and Sciences, went to Elaine A. Bermudez of Saginaw. James heads James M. Thorne and Associates and Mary serves on the WMU Foundation Board of Directors.

The Detroit alumni scholarship, designated for a graduate of a high school in Wayne, Macomb, or Oakland counties, went to Andrew F. Schmidt of Holly. Leaders of the effort to establish the scholarship included Jeffrey D. Bergeron, B.B.A. '75, a certified public accountant with Arthur Anderson and Company, and David Stader, B.S. '72, staff training manager with the Michigan Bell Telephone Company.

The scholarship sponsored by the Reunion Class of 1936, went to Madal M. Hauns of Hastings. Leaders of the effort to establish this scholarship included H. Gardner Ackley, B.A., of Ann Arbor; Lee F. Ashby, B.A., of Hagar Shores; Freda Gernant, B.A., of Statesboro, Georgia; Francis P. Hamilton, B.S., of Kalamazoo; Ray C. Koss, B.A., of Dearborn; Ruth Askoh Matha, B.S., of Petoskey; Richard N. Perry, B.A., of St. Joseph; and Ruth Oger, by Strong, B.A., of Richmond, Indiana.

The other scholarship winners were Amy L. Dykstra of Hudsonville, the Ludows scholarship, and Aaron J. Mead of St. Louis, the Alumni association scholarship.

Project seeks to save endangered bird

Efforts to save the endangered loggerhead shrike, a small bird that lives in open or brushy areas, are under way in a project at Western. The bird is on Michigan's list of endangered species and is threatened in all of the Great Lakes states. The project will be based, in part, on an accounting of the loggerhead shrike population.

"Sightings by bird enthusiasts throughout the state are essential to the project's success," said James M. Little, a graduate student in the Department of Biology and Biomedical Sciences who is conducting the search.

By Western, the project is supported by the Michigan Nature Conservation Fund and the Kalamazoo Nature Center.

The bird lives in open or brushy areas, where it sits on wires or posts and searches the ground for insects, mice, and small birds. Shrikes lack talons and must impale their prey on thorns or barbed wire. The prey left in these 'latches' often indicate the presence of shrivels. The birds are gray, black, and white. They resemble mockingbirds with black masks and hook-tipped bills. Persons sighting a loggerhead shrike or finding a bill-tail cache should contact Little at the Kalamazoo Nature Center, 7000 North Westbridge, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49006, (616) 381-3374; or at the Department of Biology and Biomedical Sciences, WMU, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49008, (616) 381-3374.
Tour group from Western reflects on Russia trip, radiation leak

Anger, concern, and relief are some of the sentiments expressed by members of a WMU tour group that was in the Soviet Union just days before what has become the world's worst nuclear accident.

The sixteen-member group returned to Kalamazoo May 4 after a ten-day cultural tour of three Russian cities, which included two and a half days in Kiev. Kiev is located eighty miles south of Chernobyl, where a nuclear power plant suffered a possible reactor "meltdown."

Though the tour group was never given detailed information, members came to believe they were in no danger — although test results later revealed much seemed to depend on which way the wind blew. Participants said they considered leaving early, but elected as a group to stay together and complete their itinerary as scheduled. As it turned out, there was the last American group to leave Kiev.

Dr. John R. Cooley, a professor of English who led the tour and was the group's primary spokesperson, said he and other ordinary X-rays. Some personal effects, including a pair of shoes, showed unexpectedly high levels of radiation, though none more dangerous than a Coleman lantern mantle.

The tests, made with a lighted stainless-steel whole-body counter, also confirmed that there had been at least a partial meltdown at Chernobyl and that a radioactive plume had blown over Kiev while the WMU tourists were there.

Data from the counters were fed directly to Dr. Louis Helgeson in Pleasanton, California. Helgeson is a Consumers Power consultant and invented the counters, which are considered the most accurate in the world. Tour group members gathered in a Palladium office to hear him confirm by telephone that radiation was far below dangerous levels.

Some members said they wished to be tested once more to obtain additional data, and some said they hoped their data would be shared with the scientific community.

Relatives were kept informed

While the group was in the Soviet Union, hundreds of telephone contacts with relatives of tour members and from news media around the country were handled by WMU's Office of International Education and Programs, which had arranged the tour.

"The relatives of each tour member were kept constantly up to date," said Dr. Norman C. Greenberg, dean of International Education and Programs. "Each time we had new information, we initiated another round of calls."

Were group members scared while in Russia?

"Oh, yes," Cooley said. "But we never knew how scared we should be. We had a kind of dual consciousness, with Western news media telling us of a disaster, and the reality of it was, we were going on with our tour. We had a chance to experience, first hand, how the Soviet Union responds to a disaster—not very well. It's good to be home. We all very much want to get our lives back to normal."

Dr. John E. Martel, a student advisor in the College of Arts and Sciences and a tour group member, has already announced plans to lead a group to the Soviet Union next summer, although the itinerary will probably exclude Kiev.

"I hope that this experience might somehow help our two countries learn to work more closely together," Stoline said. "That this could somehow make a difference, to some small degree, in the way we get along in the future."

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Soviet newspaper reports nuclear accident

The following story is a translation of the story about the Chernobyl accident that was reported on page 3 of the April 30 edition of Pravda live caption, The translation was done by Western's Translation Center in the Department of Languages and Linguistics.

From the Council of the Ministers of the U.S.S.R.

As was already reported to the press, Chernobyl's atomic electro-power plant, situated 110 kilometers north of Kiev, was damaged. The government commission, under the leadership of the vice-chairman of the Council of Ministers of the U.S.S.R., comrade Tsherbina B.E., is working on location. The commission is composed of the leaders of the ministries and of different departments, and of prominent scientists and specialists.

According to preliminary findings, the mishap occurred as a result of the actions of the fourth power station and caused partial destruction of the building containing the reactor, damage to the reactor, and leakage of radioactive materials. Three remaining power stations were shut down. They are in good repair and have been put on reserve. During the tragic accident two people perished.

The strongest possible measures have been taken to eliminate the aftereffects of the catastrophe. At the present time, radioactive leakage at the power plant and adjacent location is stabilized. People affected by the accident are receiving medical help. The inhabitants of the settlement AES-2 and of the three adjacent hamlets have been evacuated.

Attention is being focused on the location in front of the reactor. Continuous observation is being conducted over the levels of radioactivity at the Chernobyl AES and surrounding locations.
Honorary degrees, service awards presented during commencement exercises

Western awarded 1,400 undergraduate degrees and 400 graduate degrees during commencement exercises in Read Fieldhouse. In addition, three were presented to Dennis E. Boyle, university registrar, and Donald P. Bullock, left, director of the School of Music.

Distinguished Service Awards were received by Donald E. Boyle, university registrar, and Dennis E. Boyle, left, director of the School of Music.

Michigan, Paula L. Blanchard. Right: this year's Distinguished Service Awards, presented by the Board of Trustees, were to Donald P. Bullock, left, director of the School of Music, and Dennis E. Boyle, registrar.

New center will promote region's horticultural industries

Southwest Michigan's horticultural industries, including table grapes, bedding plants, and fruits and vegetables, have significant untapped potential, says a co-director of Western's new Horticultural Economic Development Center.

"We think there is significant opportunity for expansion and development in these important industries," Michael E. Byrne said. "The potential of our center to contribute to that development is equally significant."

The center, in the Department of Biological and Biomedical Sciences, has been established with a $312,400 grant from the state's Research Excellence and Economic Development Fund. It's other co-director is Gini M. Antoniotti.

The goal of the center is to identify and find solutions to problems within the horticultural industries of Southwest Michigan, sharing information directly with growers in the region, as much as consultants would. The center has the help of industry representatives.

Administrative reorganization will strengthen 'critical areas'

The Board of Trustees in April approved an administrative reorganization plan recommended by President Dieter H. Haenicke. The reorganization was designed "to provide a better division of labor and enable us to sharpen our focus on such critical areas as research, graduate programs, development, governmental relations, and academics," Haenicke said.

Included among the changes to the position of provost for academic affairs, which is currently held by Dr. Philip Denfeld, Haenicke said Denfeld's position carries additional functions, including increased representation of the institution. "It is the most important administrative position in the University after the president," he said.

Eventually, Haenicke said, the provost will become more involved in Western's day-to-day internal administration, giving its president more time to address external issues.

One change reflects the emergence of the field of governmental relations, Haenicke said. The changes included adding the title of provost to the position of academic affairs, which more adequately describes this position's responsibilities.

"Our function is to gather, evaluate, and analyze information, including research results, to make recommendations to industry," Byrne said. "We function much more as a clearinghouse of information and assistance."

The center will be working with researchers at Michigan State University on several aspects of the table-grape industry, including the testing of several varieties for their appeal to the consumer. The packaging, shipping, and marketing of Michigan table grapes will also be examined. The state's grape industry ranks fourth in the United States.

The center's horticulture industry, which already ranks first in the nation, could be improved with containerized shipping, Antoniotti said. Another project could be the development of a non-fruited or "uncrushable" nutrient shipping medium for bare-root nursery and orchard stock.

"We've very much open to suggestions about what the region's horticultural industries need and want in terms of assistance," Byrne said.

A few words

- **Hotline helping writers**

  Help with writing is now just a phone call away. Western's Writing Lab assists writers with grammar, usage, and punctuation problems. This free public service is designed to reduce writers' doubts and frustrations by offering access to a resource filled with expertise in writing and linguistics.

  Callers may use the hotline to answer questions or explore ways to revise sentences and documents. Based on responses, the hotline is open weekdays from 7:30 to 4.

- **Name change reflects growth of statistics programs**

  The Board of Trustees recently approved changing the Department of Mathematics' name to the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. The change reflects the growth of the department's statistics program from a small program in the fall 1986 semester to one of the top programs in the state and region.

  Western now grants more bachelor's degrees in statistics than any other institution in the state. At the master's level, it ranks second behind the University of Michigan. When compared with the thirty-four institutions in the state which have departments of mathematics and statistics, Western ranks second in master's and eighth in bachelor's degrees.

  The move is a part of the University's newest statistics program. The first four graduates earned their degrees later this year.

- **Room and board rates**

  The Board of Trustees in April approved increases in the University's room and board rates by 4 percent. The proposal had been tabled at the board's March 14 meeting to allow time for student comment. The new rates will take effect with the start of the fall 1986 semester.

  Under the new plan, an average freshman will pay $3,040 for room and $1,587 for board for a total of $4,627 for room, board and summer semester. The average cost for room and board this year was $3,526.

  The rate hike increases costs in compensation, casualty insurance, utilities, and food.

- **Bernhard Student Center dedicated April 26**

  The center was dedicated in honor of Dr. John T. Bernhard, whose selfless service to the University was recognized when the Board of Trustees, at the request of Dr. Dieter H. Haenicke, the University's president, voted to name the center in Dr. Bernhard's honor.

  The resolution naming the center was presented on a plaque in public display on the center's first floor in Bernhard's honor, and to commemorate the dedicated human and distinguished leadership.
The twenty-fourth Michigan Youth Arts Festival, held May 8 through 10 at Western, honored more than 600 of the state's finest visual, literary, and performing arts students. It culminated an eighteen-month statewide talent screening involving 26,000 young artists and Michigan's four primary arts education associations. The students shared their talents in vocal and instrumental music, dance, drama, writing, painting, print-making, and multimedia, performing for each other and the public in numerous concerts. In addition, the students also participated in professionally-conducted workshops within their disciplines.

Funds received to pay for Libyan students' educations

Two checks totaling about $6,000 were received in May, paying in full Libyan governmental obligations for the ten Libyan students enrolled during winter semester. Costs incurred by the four Libyan students enrolled for spring semester had already been paid. Western has yet to receive about $5,700 for Libyan students who took English language courses dating back to 1978. Collection of the money has been hampered by the closing of the Libyan embassy in this country several years ago. Billing procedures for international students depend on whether the student is privately-sponsored or government-sponsored. Students in the first category receive money from families back home and pay for tuition, fees, and campus housing like most U.S. students do—before each enrollment period. Government-sponsored students pay for everything but tuition, fees, and campus housing. In making these third party billings, Western deals with 102 foreign agencies, as well as many social and corporate U.S. agencies that help American students.

Spring sports summary

Baseball
Senior outfielder Rick Makower and sophomore catcher John VanderWul were named to the 1986 All-Mid-American Conference first team in ballhitting by the league's baseball coaches. Coach Fred Decker's team, which was 20-25 overall and third in the MAC of 19-12, also had three honorable mention choices in winter season basemen Abe Waller, sophomore outfielder Jeff Walker, and junior pitcher Mark Schulte.

That was the second straight year Makower, who hit .302 and set a school record for consecutive games started (60), earned All-MAC section. VanderWul and Greg and set school season standards for home runs (10) and RBIs (69).

As a team, the Broncos hit .314. Outfielder Bett Jones was the club leader with a 367 mark.

Gold
The Bronco golf team, under first-year coach Billy Tate, ended the 1986 spring season with a fifth-place finish at the Mid-American Conference championship held May 12-13 at the Noon Golf Club in Portage.

Ball State University won the MAC crown with a 1,478 score and edged out Miami University by one stroke. Western had 1,515.

Senior Chip Larsen placed fourth overall in the championship tournament. He was selected to the all-league team for the second straight year, and ended up as Western's top scorer by averaging 75.3 for 39 rounds.

Junior Bruce Channell was second on the team with a 77.7 average. Freshman Doug Boswell was next at 77.8.

Men's Tennis
Jack VanderWul's men's tennis team finished a respectable third this year at the Mid-American Conference championship held May 8-10 at the University of Toledo.

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Women's Tennis
Bett Jones' women's tennis team came within one match of tying for the 1986 Mid-American Conference championship but a loss of 7-2 in favor of Miami University gave the Broncos the title over the Broncos by a 38 to 24 score. That marked the third time in the last four years that the Broncos came close placed second to the Redskins. The two were co-champions in 1984.

Western had two MAC champions: freshman Stephanie Schall, who won the No. 5 singles title; and Schulz and sophomore Sonja Gardinere, who won the No. 3 doubles crown.

Junior Matt Whitfield, who was ranked No. 1 in the MAC and was selected to the All-MAC team for the second year in a row, now ranks second on the all-time list.

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Men's Track
Coach Jack Shaw's team finished third at the 1986 Mid-American Conference championships, marking the Bronco's third straight year in which Coach Jack Shaw's club has finished in the No. 3 spot.

Individually, sophomore Robert Lewis won the 200- and 400-meter races with respective times of 23.25 and 46.83; the latter recorded broke his own varsity record of 47.00.

Lewis also competed in the men's 100-meter dash.

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Dolphins pick Offerdahl in second round of NFL draft

John Offerdahl, Western's second-team All-American linebacker, will have a chance to play in the National Football League. The Miami Dolphins chose him in the second round of the 1986 NFL draft of college players held April 29. Offerdahl, who was the fifty-second player to be drafted, ended up being the first player the Dolphins selected because the club's original first round pick had been traded. Before his impressive performance in the Senior Bowl in Mobile, Alabama, Offerdahl was expected to be a fourth or fifth rounder. In the bowl game, he stopped Auburn's Heisman Trophy winner Bo Jackson on two short yardage situations. The four-year starter for Coach Jack Harbaugh's Broncos and the Mid-American Conference career tackle leader (644) also intercepted a pass and was chosen as the "most valuable" defensive player on the winning North squad.

The Dolphins staff in particular was impressed with him in that game, but doubted he would still be available when their turn to draft arrived. Individuals at Western thought he would be taken earlier in the second round by Philadelphia or Washington, or possibly Buffalo.

When Miami defensive coordinator Chuck Studley viewed film of Offerdahl, the Broncos head coach Don Shula said: "You might as well stop looking. You're just wasting your time. He's not going to be there."

When draft day finally came and Offerdahl's name was still on the board, Studley recalled "there was no discussion. It was automatic that we had to take him. Fifteen seconds after it was our choice, boom, he was gone."

Shula ended up losing a job to the club's personnel director, Chuck Connor, having bet the Dolphins would not have the chance to select Offerdahl.

"Inside linebacker is a position we haven't been happy with for a couple of years," Shula said. "We hope he can come in here and compete. If he's as good as we think he is, he could upgrade us."

Dolphins owner Joe Robbie explained, "We were really swatting it with a few picks to go. The Giants helped us when they picked Ohio State's Pepper Johnson, the pick before us. We had Offerdahl ranked higher."

The stout, four-inch Offerdahl came to Western as a 190-pounder out of Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin, and was given only a half scholarship. His other scholarship offers were from Division II schools. Two days into his initial fall practice period, his award was elevated to a full scholarship. He now weighs 238 pounds and owns a .547 two in the forty-yard dash, down from a .945 earlier in the year.

"There's no doubt I improved my stock in the postseason games (the other being the East-West Shrine Game)," Offerdahl said. "I didn't try to project where I would be taken. I'm glad I didn't because now I'm an Underdog, and I like that. I'm glad the draft is done, it's been fun, but . . ."

Writer Jill Lieber and photographer Lane Stewart chronicled what Offerdahl and his family and friends in San Prairie, Wisconsin, went through on draft day in the May 7 issue of Sports Illustrated.

The pair spent six days with him in Kalamaosko, Wisconsin, and Miami while doing a story about the demands on college players during the interval between when the all-star games end and players first meet with their new club.

Offerdahl is Western's highest draft pick since 1967 when defensive tackle Bob Rowe was taken in the second round by the St. Louis Cardinals. There were only fourteen teams in the NFL at that time and Rowe went on to play nine years with the Big Red.

A premed student major with a 3.05 (4.0 scale) average, Offerdahl needs fourteen more hours of classwork before he will graduate.

Three golf outings planned

Three Broncos golf outings have been planned for the West Michigan area during June and July.

A Grand Rapids outing is set for June 15 at Forest Hills Country Club. Those interested should call Dick Stover at (616) 454-1253 for more information.

Hastings area residents can look forward to playing golf June 25 at the Hastings Country Club. Lori Long (616) 945-3013, can provide more information about this outing.

A July 28 get-together at Moose Country Club in Kalamaosko is also dated. For more information, call Tim Schaefer at (616) 383-0422.

Moving to Kalamazoo has been a big adjustment for new softball coach and her family

Accepting any coaching job is a big decision, but for softball coach Monica Folske, the task was even harder. Coming to Kalamazoo and the Broncos meant being separated from husband Judd, head coach of the Ferris State College baseball team, and their four-year-old son who stays in Big Rapids with Judd and Judd's parents.

"It has taken some adjustment," Folske said. "It was especially hard on our four-year-old son who stays in Big Rapids with me and Judd. I've been a lot of phone calls. But I really like Kalamazoo a lot, both the people and surroundings."

Folske's team posted a 19-25 record in her first season, placing sixth in the Mid-American Conference with a 111-87 record before coming to Kalamazoo. Offerdahl, Ferris's second-team All-American linebacker, is a former Western star.

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Judd led his Ferris Bulldogs to the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Conference title this season, his second season as the team's head coach after working fifteen years as an assistant coach. The championship game was one of only a few in his husband's career that Ferris has won.

"It was a successful year for the team a successful one with her continuity," Folske said. "I'm not sure I would have been as successful with a different person."

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Prize-winning author blends imagination with writing and teaching

Being a critically-acclaimed, prize-winning author has earned J. Dybek considerable attention lately, but the forty-five-year-old English instructor isn't about to slow down. He teaches night classes in Western's Master of Fine Arts in creative writing program, lectures, and participates in workshops across the country, all while working on various writing projects. He even manages to squeeze into his hectic schedule a few hours of reading and physical exercise.

To provide the time to do all that, Dybek separates his teaching, writing, and personal lives. To help maintain those strict divisions, he recently rented a studio where he can write and let his imagination run free.

Located above a downtown Kalamazoo business, the studio previously housed an art gallery, and remnants of the gallery's furnishings decorate the otherwise stark white rooms. Dybek has added only a few personal possessions, mostly books and a wooden desk, computerized typewriter, and stereo system. Sitting in a straight-backed chair, his worn leather jacket draped over the back, Dybek crafts his stories while his imagination and background music guide him.

"I found a subject and it was strongly rooted in place, and I'd been focusing on language as well. That's where you grew up. Wanting to give something creative back, he turned to writing. "It seemed so much fun to write. You could find in a school where you could express that fantasy and story telling you expressed with your buddies or in your imagination," he said. "Although the imagination, despite what lip service is paid to it, in still suspect in education. I think teachers are often uncertain as to how to focus on it, and in many cases they view it in a hostile way. It seems to be a threat to rule learning."

In his own classes, Dybek emphasizes using the imagination. "Two basic principles when I teach, I try to encourage the imagination; the individual's voice. You can't create imagination but you can be open to it. I failed to try teach poetry and how to use the tools, and there's a tremendous carry over in that," he said, noting that what students learn in creative writing classes can be applied to all forms of writing. "The resonant images in poetry, for example, can be carried over to nonfiction, advertising, etc. It doesn't mean in advertising that you find poems. But what gives poetry its tremendous power can be what makes advertising so powerful."

When students leave his classes, Dybek said he hopes they take with them a sense that they have the fundamentals of the craft. "And I like to feel that the class has given them momentum in their own self-education, that they'll think with their hearts as well as their minds, and keep their minds open."

His classes are, as he puts it, "open to people with all kinds of intelligence. Memory, emotions, imagination are important ways of thinking. By exercising these faculties they can live richer lives and hopefully more successful ones."

Writing program attracts students from across the country

Western's Master of Fine Arts in creative writing program is nationally known as an exceptional training ground for the writer. Dr. Edward Galligan, chair of the English department, said students from distinguished universities who have been attending the program and from Western's highly-touted on-campus creative writing program have been enrolling in the M.F.A program since it began about six years ago.

Galligan credited the program's reputation to the core of five prose-writing, four poetry-writing, faculty members.

"It's a two-pronged program," he continued. "It gives our students who want to be creative writers a chance to develop their talents. But few can earn a living right off the bat as writers or as editors, so they need to be effective college teachers. Students in the one-year program offend about half of their time writing, and the rest in composition, English, and literature. "There's a heavy demand for Chicagans of this kind, in the state and in the nation," Galligan said. "We were the first in the state of Michigan to have this program, and we've had such a strong undergraduate program with good faculty, I think we're still the best in the state, and that's not empty bragging."

Dybek primarily teaches creative writing, but over the years he's taught film, Freshman English, reviewing for the press, and creative writing. When he wasn't teaching he was writing two books, Pras, Knuckle, a book of poetry, and Childhood and Other Neighbors, a book of short stories, and the articles, reviews, fiction, and poetry that have appeared in more than 200 magazines.

"The distinction is in the audience. As a poet you're mainly being read by other poets. But I think in most poets' secret imaginations there's some other kind of reader."

"Maybe a businessman settling into a book on a plane where for the first time in his day it's private, or some kid you imagine yourself to have been who has come upon your book by chance just when he needs a book, or a housewife opening a book that creates beauty and excitement in her life at the end of the day. The odds are greater that fiction will find this kind of faith-based reader and it's becomes part of the thrill of writing."

No matter how much fun writing is for Dybek, he said he still demands the kind of discipline that produces winning athletes.

"I can't even imagine that I'd ever stop writing or say, 'I can rest.' It's usually just the opposite. For one reason or another I've been forced to stop and I'm looking forward to the time when I can start writing again," he said. "It's too enjoyable an activity to give up—part meditation, part thrill. When I travel or think about going off somewhere to have an enjoyable time, I think about going to a good place to write, and usually end up dressing a typerwriter along. I feel sort of guilty if I don't. The typerwriter is like a teddy bear."

He said many students lack the discipline writers need. "They're not used to sitting down and writing day after day, they've used to an all-nighter or working one weekend on something," Dybek said. "Part of learning to write is learning other things about yourself. Your emotional and mental discipline are separate from the craft. Creative writing is basically self-motivated; you need to be a self-starter and self-finishing.

So far Dybek said he hadn't any problems getting motivated because he's never at a loss for story ideas. "In my 20s I found a subject and it was strongly rooted in place, and now I continue to experiment with it and muck around."

"I've got the opposite feeling—when I am going to get all this done? Sometimes you just have to stop the ideas.

Dybek's childhood, education, and work experiences have contributed greatly to his successfully combining writing and teaching. Before coming to Western in 1973, he taught writing at the University of Iowa and before that he held a number of jobs. In addition to a two-year stint as a counselor in Chicago and writing advertising copy in the Windy City, he taught high school English in the Virgin Islands, wrecked houses, washed helicopters, and made ice cream.

Although Dybek said there's more money to be made writing nonfiction or novels, he said he plans to continue writing poetry and short stories. Long ago he decided against going into fields like journalism or advertising. "What's most important to me is sitting there writing my own little stories," he said.

Dybek's background and imagination have helped him win several prestigious awards for these "little stories," including the $25,000 Whiting Writers' Award last fall, which pays for his studio; the 1985 Nelson Algren Award from Chicago Magazine; an O. Henry Award for literature; and a 1986 award from the Arts Foundation of Michigan. He's also received fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation and the National Foundation for the Arts.

Dybek said he was surprised to win the Whiting award, which was presented for the first time last year and then to only ten of the nation's most promising emerging writers.

"It's by secret nomination," Dybek explained. "I was secretly nominated for an award I didn't know existed so it was a real surprise. And because Saul Bellow gave the keynote, that made it even more special. He's been a significant writer for me."

-- James Renna
Donor club members: a unique group committed to helping

Western's donor club members constitute a unique group of people whose committee to the University is deep and abiding. Western is indeed fortunate to have such distinguished friends who seek not only a degree, but a challenge.

The donor club membership at any level encourages a high level of private support to the University from its alumni and friends. It also helps develop an active interest and participation in University affairs, and provides a continuity and framework within which tangible, lasting help can be given.

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The members of the President's Club, who donate their funds and efforts to the University, are of the University, are of the University, are of the University...
The theme for the 1986 Homecoming celebration is "WMU Presents ... Broncos on Broadway." Homecoming will be held from Saturday through Sunday, October 12 through 13. The theme and logo were selected by the Student Alumni Association. Once again numerous activities are planned. The Alumni Association will sponsor an indoor tailgate and changeover brunch at the Bernhard Student Center on Saturday, October 12. Following the brunch, the Broncos will face the Miami Redhawks at 1:00 p.m. The Black Alumni Hospitality Suite will be from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Kalamazoo Center Hilton, followed by the dance from 10:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. The Distinguished Alumni Awards dinner will be held at 6:00 p.m. at the Putter Business Development Center. Detailed information and reservation forms for Homecoming activities will appear in the August Westerner. Be sure you’re in Kalamazoo for the celebration.

Nearly all of the first sixteen graduates of the occupational therapy program returned to campus April 25 through 27 to celebrate the bimonthly anniversary of their graduation. Participants, from left, were: (front row) Barbara (Jones) Wilson, Eugenie Metcalfe, Elizabeth (Williams) Morrison, Joan (Hart) Phillips, and Jeanine (Donaldson) Levique; (back row) Ingrid Lampi, Robert Shimel, Helene Bostwick, Linda English, and Myrtle Conlin. The event costs $18 per person and $19 per person for alumni association members and nonmembers. Advance registration is required.

English will hold a golf outing on Thursday, July 24, in Escanaba. This is a perfect opportunity for all WMU graduates in the U.P. to gather together to generate Bronco spirit. For detailed information call Candy Bush at (906) 786-4854, or call the alumni office.

Washington, D.C.

The Alumni Association will sponsor the second annual "City Lights Cruise" for Western graduates in the greater Washington, D.C., area on Sunday, July 20, from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. This outing was so popular last year that the association has reserved the entire boat for this year’s event. Alumni will be able to renew college-day friendships, as well as meet fellow graduates who reside in the D.C. area.

Alumni gatherings

Chicago

Western graduates in greater Chicago will gather Monday, July 28, for the second annual "WMU Alumni Night at Comiskey Park." Alumni director Jamie Jeremy will join the group for a 4:00 p.m. picnic dinner in the left field picnic area. At 7:30 p.m. the White Sox will face the Boston Red Sox and alumni will cheer for their hometown team from lower-deck box seats. The event costs $18 per person for Alumni Association members and nonmembers. Advance registration is required.

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Alumni shares her experiences with anthropology students

Kathleen J. Adams, B.A. '68, M.A. '70, a visiting scholar at Harvard University's Center for Population Studies, returned to campus to present a lecture to students about her career, emphasizing her approach to seeking both academic and non-academic positions. She referred to her own experiences as a professor at Central Washington University, Clark University, and Wheaton College: a researcher for many years in Nigeria, and a visiting scholar at Harvard, Columbia, and the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences in Palo Alto, California.

During the lecture Adams focused on her concern about how Western women view the non-Western world. The talk, entitled "The Wild Women: Searching for the Primate Once Again," paid special attention to perceptions of non-Western women and to the idea of using ethnographic studies of other societies as a mirror to understand ourselves.

Adams is a third-generation Western graduate. Preceding her were her mother, Ethel Reid Adams, T.C. '40, and her grandmother, Anna S. Beld, who was on campus in the early 1910s. Adams received a Ph.D. in anthropology from Case Western Reserve University and a Master of Public Health degree from Columbia University.

Memorial gifts

Late, but not least, are a lifelong memorial to many men and women who believed in Western's educational mission. Loving friends and family members made memorial gifts in 1986 in behalf of the following individuals:

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Class of 1961

The Alumni Association will host a special anniversary reunion for the Class of 1961 in conjunction with the 1961 Homecoming festivities. Class members will gather for a special reunion dinner, Friday, October 15, and then join other returning alumni Saturday, October 16, for numerous Homecoming activities. Reunion details will be mailed to class members in August. A reunion committee composed of Bruce Dillon, Andy and Sally (Woodbridge) Rule, Leland Reischak, Marian Ross, Carolyn Chemers, Jack Vlahgoulis, Richard Beebe, and Ken and Linda (Halli) Nolke is working with the alumni relations office on plans for this special occasion.

Over the years, the alumni office has lost track of many of the 1961 graduates. On this page are class members for whom we have no current address. Your help is needed in locating these individuals so that they, too, will receive notification of the reunion. Send any information you have to Western Michigan University, Alumni Relations, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-3899.
1920s

Ethel McConnon Lott, TC '21, and her husband, William, celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary, July 22 in Benton Harbor. They have lived in the same farm home all of their married lives.

Floyd L. Hight, BS '24, has completed a masterpiece for the Marietta Symphony Orchestra and the Old Testament of the Bible.

1930s

Dr. Alvin D. Leving, BA '31, was honored at a Detroit reception in March, given by the Detroit Board of Education, for his long service to children and the field of education. Married fifty-three years, he and his wife, Mary, live in Flint.

Robert Boyce, BS '34, and his wife celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in Ionia April 5. They have two children, including Robert W. Wier, BS '64, MA '66, their grandchildren, and the great-great-grandchildren.

Alfons Wier tradition." At the time of his death in 1985, two children, including Robert J., VHA, BA '62, and Dr. Ronald K., VHA, MA '70, had been appointed vice president of operations for Alfon's Specialty Food Divisions and Rapid Co., which he became one of two owners in February 1985.

1950-54

Bruce D. Chase, BS '50, retired at the end of February as sales manager in the Minneapolis-Saint Paul area for the Gold Bond Building Products Division of National Gypsum Co. He spent thirty-five years with the firm.

 decentralization, DOUGLAS, BS '56, MA '58, has been named director of the National Candy Wholesalers Association. He is chief and chair of his firm, Chicago.

1961

William E. Hoens, BA '61, MA '75, became superintendent of the Nauvoo schools in January. He had been a high school principal in Marquette, WI.

Sharon F. Neal Kosters, BA '61, MA '66, has been honored for special dedication to handicapped children by the Michigan Federated Chapters of the Council for Exceptional Children. She is St. Joseph special education administrator for the St. Joseph, ISD and lives in St. Joseph.

Jack Plutter, BS '51, MA '56, has been inducted into the Michigan High School Football Coaches Hall of Fame, which was formed in East Lansing High School since 1969.

1962

Domena Curtiss, BS '62, MA '63, has retired as Lawrence High School principal.


Charles P. Klass, BA '62, has been elected to the board of directors of the Tinley Park Public Schools. He is vice president for the school district.

Sherron Winslow, BSN '62, has joined the staff of Franklin Creek Medco, Inc., Kendall, as assistant vice-president-trust business officer.

1963

John Carter, BBA '63, was elected to the board of directors of Hospital Network, Inc., and continues to live in Harrisburg.

Donald H. Ihler, BBA '66, is now chair and chief executive officer of the Institute of Business and Industry, Lake Worth, FL.

1964

I. Carl Cordell, MA '64, in April received a Distinguished Alumni award from Kalamazoo College. He continues to live in Harrisburg.

Michael Foxer, BBA '64, MA '68, became president of the Michigan High School Athletic Directors' Association in March. He is with the Golf Lake school district.

Jean M. Galli, BS '64, is now supervisor of information processing for Building 89 of The Upjohn Co., Kalamazoo.

Thomas L. Boers, BA '64, is now president and chief executive officer of R. Reynolds Resources, Inc., in Tulsa, OK, heading up five divisions of Dover Corp.

Robert K. Tucker, BBA '64, MBA '67, has been named president of the Dade County Bar Association, Miami. He is a trial lawyer there for the Kittleson & Hassett firm.

Jeffrey D. Vortman, BBA '64, has been appointed vice-president of the Kalamazoo office of E.F. Hutton & Co.

Michael Allers, BBA '63, MA '68, EdD '76, has been appointed superintendent of Harper Creek school there, Battle Creek, effective September 1.

1965

John Coyne, BA '65, is a member of the faculty, College of Journalism, University of Illinois, and lives in Charleston, SC.

John Love, '65, of Peoria, IL, is a member of the faculty, College of Journalism, University of Illinois, and lives in Charleston, SC.

Floyd Scrase, '65

Kevin Cooney, '68
Michael E. Domke, BA '70, MA '72, became special education director for Region III, Kent Intermediate School District in March, moving to that post from Bay City.

William D. Johnson, BS '70, has left a Maritime jobs in School and joined A.C. Edwards & Co., a Kalamazoo firm.

Jerry Leonard, BS '70, MA '75, in addition to his Portage teaching duties, is widely known as a successful CAF driving champion, as well as a winning owner of some of the best CAF racing teams.

James Loonis, BA '70, MWM '72, is the author of an article in the February issue of Michigan Magazine, "Discharge Planning: The Changing Perspective." He is assistant in Veterans' medical social work at Bronston Methodist Hospital, Kalamazoo.

John N. Nuech, BS '70, MBA '72, and John P. Vinzender, BS '70, MA '75, have been promoted to executive vice presidents at Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Grand Rapids.

Robert A. Roberts, MBA '70, has been appointed senior manager for the Chevrolet-Pontiac-Cadillac Division, Terraytown, MI, and has been transferred there from Grand Rapids.

Bruce K. Blakeman, MBA '70, has been promoted to senior branch manager of Farm Credit Services of West Michigan in Three Rivers.

Dr. Sheryl Vanhoosen, MA '70, PhD '76, has been promoted to assistant professor at Purdue University this year where she is studying nursing and rituals, and the reduction of conflict in bargaining and negotiations. She is a member of the Women's Studies Program.

Dr. Virginia Vyscalek, MD '70, has been appointed an assistant professor in accounting and finance at Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti.

James R. Wyrick, BS '70, has been promoted to succession at the Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety.

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John R. Castle, BA '70, has been promoted to director of purchasing for Commercial National Leasing School of the American Bankers Association. He is an assistant vice president and loan officer at PNB-Lambertsbank's Grand Haven.

Stephen C. Kelley, BBA '70, MA '71, has been appointed vice president of operations for Brennon Properties, Inc., a division of Bronson Healthcare Group, Kalamazoo.

John R. Slink, BBA '70, has been promoted to senior vice president and investment officer for St. Joseph Savings & Loan, St. Joseph. He has been with the firm since 1971.

David J. Simpson, BA '71, has been named president of First of America Mortgage in Kalamazoo.

W. Patrick Tisdale, BA '71, has been named president and chief operating officer of the three property and casualty companies of Integon Corporation, Battle Creek, NC. They are Integon General Insurance Corp., Integon Indemnity Co., and New South Insurance Co.

Dr. Jose Luis Valesca, MD '72, has been named director of bilingual education at Saginaw Valley State College.

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1976

Dr. Richard R. Benedict, MA '76, EdD '82, has been named to vice president and chief nursing officer at Mercy Hospital, Kalamazoo, both being incubators for new talent.

Mark A. Crawford, BBA '78, is now a principal stockbroker and director of Duenne Mayhew & Co., Troy, a public accounting firm.

Charles V. Dumas II, BBA '76, MA '79, has been appointed vocational-technical director for the Humen Intermediate School District.

Robert Enders, MA '76, has received his doctor of education degree in counselor education and counseling psychology from WMU in December.

D. Jane Havensrite, BBA '76, has been appointed to assistant vice president at First Security Bank, Kalamazoo.

Rebecca Simonite, BBA '76, is the recipient of the Michigan Alumni Association Scholarship. She plans to use the money to pay for her graduate studies at WMU.

Janet Tarkowski, BBA '77, has been promoted to clerk at Bronson Methodist Hospital.

Delora Greenwood Tiltom, BBA '77, has opened a business in North Muskegon. Debbie's Stitches and Stitches.

Michael Weinstock, BBA '76, has been named management systems supervisor for the southeast region of Discounters by Computer Power.

1978

Jim Berlin, BBA '78, has won a conference swimming championship with his West Bend, WI, high school team.

Gus Breyma, BBA '78, has been elected to the board of the Michigan Association for Adult and Continuing Education.

Tom D. Raymond, BBA '77, has been promoted to assistant vice president at First Security Bank, Kalamazoo.

Pamela Sholes of the Public Library of Kalamazoo.

Susan Sholes, BBA '78, is marketing manager for the Ludington News.

Ted A. Barrett, BBA '80, has completed his studies at Cooley Law School, Lansing, and is now with the Michigan Department of Social Services.

Bob Braden, BBA '80, was named director of the Sturgis-Young Auditorium in Sturgis in March.

Richard R. Heringman, BBA '80, has been appointed to a four-year term on the school board. He is assistant administrator of the school system.

Donna Hrbacek, BBA '80, has been named mead manager for the U.S. Sen. Dale Bumpers. He had been press secretary for Sen. John Stennis.

Kevin O'Brien, BA '80, has been promoted to vice president, creative account director, at Diener/ Sutter and Co., Grand Rapids.

Jim Bums, BBA '80, has been elected to the board of the Michigan Association for Adult and Continuing Education.

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Deanna Altus, BBA '80, has been named management systems supervisor for the southeast region of Discounters by Computer Power.

James E. Martin, MA '79, has been promoted to assistant vice president at First Security Bank, Kalamazoo, where he was a student when the school opened in 1980.

Lonr Ortho, BS '79, is now coordinator of health services for the Kalamazoo Hospital and Clinic.

Carolyn Wonders Ross, MA '79, has been certified as a family nurse practitioner by the American Nurses Association.

James R. West, BBA '80, has been promoted to assistant vice president at Portage National Bank.

Lt. Richard T. Wallace, BS '81, is a U.S. pilot, has been designated an EC-130 Strikefire commander. He is stationed at Patrick Air Force Base, FL.

Richard A. Campbell, MBA '83, has been promoted to corporate banking representative for Comerica Bank, Kalamazoo.

George Fuhrman, BBA '80, has been named manager at the iMacarone and Stitches.

Bill Bums, BBA '80, has been named manager at the iMacarone and Stitches.

Robert McPeak, BBA '80, has been named manager at the iMacarone and Stitches.

Donald Zink, BBA '80, has been promoted to assistant professor II for Muskegon County.

Peter Ulrich, BBA '80, has been promoted to assistant professor II for Muskegon County.

W. David Hamilton, BBA '75, MBA '84, has been named manager at the iMacarone and Stitches.

Susan LeMoin, BBA '75, MBA '84, has been named manager at the iMacarone and Stitches.

Thomas W. Truesdell, BBA '76, has been appointed to assistant vice president at E.F. Hutton & Co., Grand Rapids.

Bret Gardner, BBA '76, has been named assistant professor II for Muskegon County.

1982

Mary L. Chys, MBA '82, is membership manager for the Hong Kong Arts Center.

Timothy F. William, BBA '82, has been named to vice president and operations manager at Woodstream Federal Savings and Loan Bank.

J. William A. Barlow, BBA '82, is a member of the Detroit Lions. He is a senior manager in the national tax department of Touche Ross.

Kevin A. Hice, BBA '82, has been named to the residency program at the University of Chicago. He plans to spend the next two years in residency.

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Lori Precious, BS '80, has been named vice president at Mutual Home Federal Bank.

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Gus Groeneveld, BBA '80, has been named to the residency program at the University of Chicago. He plans to spend the next two years in residency.

Loren Osborne, BS '80, has been named to the residency program at the University of Chicago. He plans to spend the next two years in residency.

Cy Coder, BA '77, MA '78, is now a research biologist at the USGS Research Station in Colorado.

C. Donald Roat, BBA '83, has formed a Flint software company, Zapping Software.

Richard A. Campbell, MBA '83, has been promoted to corporate banking representative for Comerica Bank, Kalamazoo.

Donald L. Nettles, BBA '82, has been named to the residency program at the University of Chicago. He plans to spend the next two years in residency.
1940s

John B. Linden, BS '84, a teacher at Midland Dow High, died February 12 in Midland. He leaves his wife, Jane.

Mary E. Street Robinson, BS '40, died February 21 in Chelsea. She had taught for several years in Wyoming, where she had lived with her husband, two children, three grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Mary Alice Polk Dowsen, BS '24, died of injuries received in a two-car crash February 29 near Mt. Pleasant on Interstate 75, where she was a volunteer for the Veterans Memorial Library, Mt. Pleasant.

Barbara Holman Tinn, BS '52, died April 9 in Kalamazoo. A resident of Oregon, she had taught in Otsego County and lived in Oregon near Mt. Pleasant.

1950s

Sheila Jones Gum, BA '50, died March 3 in San Diego, CA. A widow, she was a native of Boston. In 1967, she and her husband, two girls, and two boys moved to Los Angeles.

Joel T. Hanichen, BS '30, died of a heart attack in Traverse City. He was a Detroit attorney for Albion Community Hospital.

Marilyn Cindi Dinsmore, BS '80, died April 21 in Muskegon, where she had spent most of her life. She leaves her husband, two brothers, and three sisters.

Kathryn Rhoton, BS '85, died April 7 in Plainwell.

William G. Powers, TC '17, died April 12 at his home in Oregon, where he had retired in 1978. He leaves his wife, two daughters, five grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Janice Marie Anderson, BS '53, died February 27 in Marshall. She was a resident of Tekonsha, where she taught school for many years, retiring in 1964. She leaves two sisters and two brothers.

Violet Brace, BS '50, died April 1 in Kalamazoo. She was a Michigan track star in her high school years.

1960s

Margaret Burns Adams, BA '43, died in Cheboygan. She had retired as a teacher in 1973. Mrs. Adams leaves her husband, John, BS '52; five sons, including Jack, BS '80; and two daughters; two brothers; and three sisters.

Barbara Roberts, BA '41, died April 4 in Kalamazoo. A resident of Oregon, she had taught in Plainwell in 1964. She leaves her husband, two children, and three grandchildren.

Barbara Cramer, MA '70, died April 7 in Midland. She had been a teacher and nurse for more than forty years, retiring in 1964. She leaves her parents, one sister, and three brothers.

1970s

Robert Sellers, BSA '77, and Linda Sackett, February 8 in Battle Creek, where he was an assistant vice president for Michigan National Bank.

Gary D. White, BS '77, and Kimberly Teeters, December 21 in Kalamazoo. They were in the Michigan Department of Social Services in Hastings and they live in Lansing.

George J. Duff, BS '79, and Gail Turnquist, September 9 in Traverse City. He is a Detroit attorney and they live in Grand Traverse Pines.

Ruth L. Suchman, BS '79, and Stephen Smith, October 22 in Copper Harbor. They live in Hancock.

Mark D. Haussmern, BSA '79, and Bernadette Zeller, April 5 in Kalamazoo. He is general manager of Trac Distributor Auto Stores.

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Lynn Blyler, BBA '82, and Teresa Einert, BBA '83, die December 12 in Calumet. He is a business specialist for Spartan Stores, Inc., Grand Rapids.

Michael F. Mullan, BBA '83, and Dine Shlomo, BS '84, die December 25 in Cadillac. He is a financial analyst for Baird, Cooper & Baker, PC, and she is a director of client relations with Smith, Blyler & O'Hara.

Kathy Blotin, BS '83, and Jeff Johnson, May 25, 1985. They live in Rochelle.

1984-85

Randall J. Kuiper, BSE '83, is now a staff accountant with Republic National Forest, and lives in Alliance, NE. He is an audit manager for Grant Thornton Co., Kalamazoo.

Rebecca Moore, BBA '85, has completed her Certified Public Accountant Exam, and she is an auditor for Grant Thornton Co., Kalamazoo.

Marilyn Lou Balduhn, MA '84, is a teacher in Ironwood, where she has spent most of her life. She is a Kalamazoo teacher, and has two daughters, the oldest now eight, and is now business manager for Christian Reformed Church Publications.

Bobby E. Pradak, BS '84, is now a staff accountant for Albert Community Hospital. He has an interest in Kalamazoo, and he is an auditor for Grant Thornton Co., Kalamazoo.

Weddings

1970s

Robert Sellers, BSA '77, and Linda Sackett, February 8 in Battle Creek, where he is an assistant vice president for Michigan National Bank.

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Deaths

Donald Black, an assistant professor of engineering from 1959 until he retired in 1970, died March 18 in Kalamazoo. He leaves his wife and two brothers.

Harry J. Montgomery, a graduate student in the WPA, died March 17 in Mequon, WI. He was the father of two children.

Linda Edwards, BS '84, and Timothy Eyring, December 29 in Kalamazoo. They are the parents of two children.

Jude S. Newhall, BS '84, and Susan Hecht, November 13 in Kalamazoo. He is a business specialist for Spartan Stores, Inc., Grand Rapids.

H. Miller, BBA '83, and Dinne Shlomo, BS '84, December 25 in Cadillac. He is a financial analyst for Baird, Cooper & Baker, PC, and she is a director of client relations with Smith, Blyler & O'Hara.

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Formal education took on new meaning on April 3 when Dr. Joseph G. Reish, professor of languages and linguistics, surprised his French class by trading in his tweed blazer for a tuxedo. Reish was asked to be the toastmaster at a black tie dinner for volunteers, which the WMU Foundation sponsored, and realized he wouldn't have enough time to make a change between class and the event.