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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Agrees with Ryor

To The Editor:
Read with interest your article on "Americans Spend More On Dogs Than To The Editor:..."

President Ryor in your points of view:
I agree with you and NEA Education. I believe we need to be more accurate to concentrate on the lopsided priorities of citizens indulging in alcohol, cigarettes and pornographic materials, which lead to home, life, work and eventually community-school destruction.

The time and dollars wasted is appalling and until we in education attack pertinent problems (and willing to do what we preach) only then will our words be heeded.

Mary L. Crowell
Athens, Mich.

To The Editor:
Your "portrait" of Mr. Ryor in the October, 1975 University Magazine was excellent. I was pleased to see that someone in our educational leadership has some relevant concerns and is working to turn some ideals into reality.

Dr. Richard L. Baldwin, BA '64, MA '68
Lubbock, Texas

WHYNOT Down the River

To The Editor:
Received indirectly your office's [Alumni Relations] inquiry as to my whereabouts and occupation, so I have enclosed your reply card and this note as a short explanation — assuming, of course, that anyone would be interested.

I am one of a crew of seven persons cruising down the Mississippi River. The journey started in Minneapolis November 15, and the full voyage including Florida and the Caribbean could last a year.

As owners of WHYNOT, five crewmen and women are directors in a corporation formed to operate the venture.

Prior to launching I was a media consultant to the Minnesota Department of Education. That job was preceded by a stint as United Press International reporter covering the Wounded Knee trial of Dennis Banks and Russell Means.

The voyage is taken up with writing both for enjoyment and profit as well as unqualified sightseeing.

Thank you for the inquiry. I hope this meets your needs.

David C. McKay, BA '69
Between Vicksburg and Natchez, Miss.

Wrong Degree

To The Editor:
In the October issue it was reported that I have a master's degree in counseling and personnel. My M.A. degree is in communication arts and sciences. I received a bachelor's degree in art from W.M.U. in 1974.

Sesta V. Peekstok, BA '74, MA '75
Richland, Mich.

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A Message from the President

Dear Alumni and Friends of Western:

As many of you already know, 1975 was not very kind to Western Michigan University.

In reviewing the record, it is obvious to me that Western suffered a major traumatic experience last year, namely the financial crisis (inextricably linked to the national recession and the Michigan depression). Almost all of our problems stemmed from this far-reaching, monumental cause.

Our budgetary crunch remains severe, but not terminal. I am convinced that we will see a distinct improvement in State funding by 1977. However, the "interim period" will be extremely difficult to live through — especially in view of growing needs and inflationary pressures. Our greatest challenge will be to maintain quality programs despite the dollar squeeze. This will be a very difficult goal to achieve, but I am confident that — with your invaluable aid — we shall succeed!

Please do all you can to maintain Western's already-favorable image in the eyes of the Governor and the Legislature. Don't hesitate to write, visit, or telephone your legislator — and the Governor — on the general issue of maintaining a top caliber higher education program in Michigan, and at Western in particular. We would be very grateful for your efforts in this direction. And please remember, each single contact is important.

Permit me to express my personal appreciation for the loyal support you have given to the University during a difficult year. We still face trying days in 1976, but with your help and encouragement, I am confident that Western will persevere. We are grateful indeed for everything you have done, and will do.

Best wishes for the Bicentennial Year.

Sincerely and cordially,

John T. Bernhard
President
What happened in Philadelphia on July 4, 1776? You could find the answer in the Pennsylvania Evening Post, "published every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday evenings, Price Only Two Coppers."

A primary source of history such as this newspaper until recent years was seen only by a few scholars. But due to the availability of the microform and other advanced print reproduction devices, you can read such rarities as the Pennsylvania Evening Post of 1776 in WMU's Waldo Library.

The 200-year-old paper is part of a collection of microprint copies of nearly fifty Revolutionary War Era Newspapers. The entire collection is shelved neatly in book-sized boxes in a space about the size of that needed for a multi-volume encyclopedia. Next to it is a table holding the machine used for reading the microcards.

With names such as Massachusetts Spy, Columbian Centinel, Porcupine Gazette, New Hampshire Mercury, Federal Orrery, Herald Freedom, Weekly Rehearsal, and Green Mountain Patriot, these newspapers from the period 1704-1820 are of great interest in this our bicentennial year, which has forced us all to become history buffs.

The originals of these papers belong to the American Antiquarian Society in Worcester, Massachusetts. They were purchased for Waldo Library from Readex Microprint Corporation in the period of rapid expansion of the University in the 1950's, according to assistant head reference librarian Harold Way.

The microprint copies have reduced images of more than 50 pages on one side of a 5 x 8" card. To read a card, it is inserted into an easily-operated machine which enlarges a single-page image by reflection. Also, permanent enlarged photocopies are available from another machine for the sum of 5¢ per sheet.

This set of newspapers is only a tiny part of a large number of items in Waldo Library in microform. Some other examples are early British books from 1475 to 1640, the London Times since 1785, the New York Times since 1851 and the Kalamazoo Gazette since 1837.

But back to July 4, 1776. The lead story in the Pennsylvania Evening Post? You guessed it: "In Congress, July 4, 1776. A Declaration by the Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled. When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary . . . "

And on page two of the issue: the announcement of the sale of two ships, a brigantine and a schooner, and of such necessities as hay, sugar, coffee, molasses, cinnamon, brandy, spermaceti, whale oil, mackerel, tea, pimento, chocolate, pepper, and indigo and powder blight.

Also: notices of the loss of a silver-faced watch, "... supposed to be stolen ..." and a brick house for rent, including barns, stable, smoke house, garden, and two pumps of good water.

On the next page: letters about various battles and congressional meetings mixed with advertisements and notices such as a $2 reward for a stray brown horse and the following announcement: "Whereas the Wife of Joseph Cartwright having eloped from him sundry times, he requests all persons not to trust her, as he will not pay any debts she will contract."

Persual of the other early American newspapers produces a richness of curiosities and some shocking news which helps us understand the fiery revolutionary spirit, such as one item of July 9, 1776, describing a 200-year-old "dirty trick" whereby the enemy sent ashore barrels of carcasses of persons who had died of smallpox and other contagious disorders in hopes of infecting the soldiers on shore.

In that same issue is an announcement of a tragicomedy in five acts and 26 scenes called "The Fall of British Tyranny, Or American Liberty triumphant." The scenes are described variously as "pleasing, moving, humorous, laughable, very black, religious, droll, diverting, spirited, shocking, and patriotic." All in all, it must have been several cuts above the scripts of TV's bicentennial minutes.
In Kalamazoo On
July 4, 1876...

By Peter Schmitt

“The morning opened with the booming of cannon, the firing of musketry, of small guns and fire-crackers, the ringing of bells, sounding of whistles, etc.” The editor of the Kalamazoo Telegraph said, “young America was too exuberant with patriotism and love of noise to sleep himself or let others enjoy the luxury of rest.” People in Kalamazoo and surrounding villages planned for months to celebrate America’s Centennial on the Fourth of July. Early-morning mists and fog hardly dampened their enthusiasm as carriages and wagons filled the streets and special trains brought their passengers to every station.

Flowers and flags and bunting hung everywhere. An evergreen bell with flowered tongue swung over the speaker’s platform and streamers lined its railings to represent the states. Residents enhanced their fences, porches and windows with flags and portraits and more flowers. The Telegraph found “some people decorated their families, after using up all other space, and centennial babies were not the least patriotic part of this city.”

The villagers who lived in today’s “historic district” on South Street outdid themselves. The Woods family flew flags from several countries, and next door at 602 West South, Mrs. DeYoe put up flags and bunting and dressed her daughter and a neighbor girl as goddesses of liberty to salute the parade as it passed by. John M. Edwards at 610 South placed statues of Washington and Lincoln in his windows. At 630 South residents strung streamers across the street to support a huge evergreen liberty bell. Flags flew all up and down the street at the Potters, the Woodfords, the Vandewalkers, the Henry’s, the Littles, the Carders, and every other home on the block.

A Grand Parade highlighted the morning. The “Centennial Sun” broke through the mists by mid-morning, and as one account would have it, “the exhilarating influences of its clear skies, bright sunlight and bracing air, unalloyed by either mud or dust, stimulated enthusiasm to the highest degree.” Marshals called contingents into line at ten and within an hour the procession began to move. It stretched for a mile and a quarter back from the starting point at Pitcher and Michigan Avenue. Four Divisions and their bands wound down Michigan Avenue to Westnedge, then to South Street and along South to Michigan Avenue. There the leaders turned and counter-marshaled back up South Street to reach the Courthouse Square.

Carriages and floats and cavalry joined with fraternal orders, fire companies, and representatives from the county’s “Trades and Industries.” The Executive Committee of the celebration gave highest praise to “the terraced Chariot, bearing Miss Frances Little as ‘The Goddess of Liberty,’ around whom were gracefully grouped thirty-seven young ladies, representing the States.” It seemed the finest thing of the kind ever seen in Kalamazoo,” according to the official “Centennial Celebration” program which survives in the Public Library.

Kalamazoo called itself the country’s “biggest village” with fourteen thousand residents in 1876. Titus Bronson platted the town almost half a century earlier as a county seat and farming center. Retailing, flour milling and rural industries formed the commercial life of the community then. But Kalamazoo began to feel the quickening industrial growth of the “Gilded Age” by the 1870’s. Now four rail lines passed through the town and factory owners looked outward to national markets. On hundred men worked at the Lawrence and Chapin foundry, whose four-story business block stood at the corner of Rose and Water Street in 1872. The company specialized in agricultural implements and mill machinery as did a number of other firms in the village. The Kalamazoo Knitting Factory began in 1873 and by 1878 could produce 26,000 dozen socks a year. Phelps and Bigelow began producing their I.X.L. windmill in 1876. The town’s only paper mill had burned in 1872 and been rebuilt. Its owners intended to capitalize on the plentiful supply of wheat straw so necessary to papermaking in those days; but Kalamazoo’s reputation as a paper city, like telephone service, electric lights and trolley cars, was many years away in 1876.
But the townspeople were proud of their village. The two newspapers took every opportunity to question travelers and publish polite comments on the beauty of the "burr oak village." Anticipating the Centennial, residents organized a local pioneer society in 1871 to celebrate their own beginnings. In 1875, the Kalamazoo Telegraph editor spoke of the debt the future would owe to his neighbors in a special editorial "For the Year 1976." He asked that "all householders collect articles for relics, and preserve them for those who will represent their families when 1976 comes around." Each family must save personal papers, pictures, and historical accounts of village life, for "a little timely energy now will accomplish what in the future could not be accomplished at any cost or effort." He was convinced that "family pictures and pictures of public buildings in the locality would possess a fascinating interest at the next Centennial." Finally, he predicted that "very many people in America and other parts of the world, doubtless, will take pride in learning...that they had ancestors connected with the arena of public, social, and private affairs in Kalamazoo." Basking in this public self-appreciation, villagers did save historical materials, subscribed to an official "county history" which finally appeared in 1880, renamed the village park after Titus Bronson and prepared to landscape it with fountain and cement sidewalks. But now the park was simply a grassy commons festooned with colorful signs designating the official resting places for visitors from each outlying village and rural neighborhood, and it bustled with Centennial activity.

At mid-day the crowds gathered around the speaker's platform in Courthouse Square. A cornet band played its pieces and a Grand Chorus of One Hundred Voices sang "America," but most people came to hear the speeches. County poet Asa Stoddard officially praised the country in an ode that concluded:  

A century has passed away  
Since we became a nation,  
And our Republic stands to-day,  
A living illustration  
That a republic may prevail,  
With simple institutions,  
While monarchies and empires fail,  
O'erwhelmed with revolutions.  
We point along the past with pride,  
With warm congratulations,  
And to the future, yet untried,  
With bright anticipations.  

But the present was a different matter. The orators of that day looked back to simpler times and forward with some uneasiness. Perhaps because they faced times very like our own. The national economy staggered into recession in 1873 and '74. Newspapers carried stories of bankruptcies and ethnic tensions and scandals in the highest places. The end of our first and the beginning of our second century seemed troubled times indeed.

Governor John Bagley struck the note of concern in a Proclamation in February of 1876. He wrote that "the lapse of time, the demands of business, the new life we are living, all tend to forgetfulness of the old time, and of the history our fathers made." Then he added, "have we not forgotten, in the hurry and strife of our money-getting, in the rapidity with which events have crowded upon one another in these latter days, the blessings that have come to us from the past, and the debt we owe it?" He spoke of the times and of the country's critics: "one desponds for fear the government is not strong enough, while another shudders at the centralization of power; and here and there, perchance, is a misanthrope who has lost all faith in a government of the people." He proposed among other things that American history be taught in the schools end called for a new resolve. To symbolize the rededication to national principals he called for the planting of centennial trees: "I urge upon every citizen of this State who owns a piece of God's ground, whether it be large or small, whether in city or country, town or village, to plant a tree, which our children and our children's children may know and remember as the tree placed by patriotic hands in the first Centennial year of the Republic." On April fifteenth, thousands of people turned out all over the state. At Kalamazoo, one reporter noted that "hundreds of trees were planted by individuals, almost every resident adding one or more to beautify the grounds about his dwelling."

Now, on July 4th, orators all over Michigan tried to put the century in perspective. As texts in the compendium called Michigan and the Centennial would indicate, they turned back to past glories and looked forward to a better future, but many were cautious as they
talked about their own day. "We are not degenerating as a nation," General Isaac Sherwood said in Kalamazoo. He comforted his listeners by declaring, "bad men are but swallows, twittering on the eagle's back." Many people criticized the newspapers for reporting corruption in government, but Sherwood argued they should continue. "The powerful head-lights of thousands of presses bring every hidden vice to view," he said, but he was convinced that "the great heart of the nation has never beat so strong as now." In fact there seemed good reason to continue the exposures:

Let the thundering presses roll and boom. Let them hurl the swift lightnings of criticism and the splintering shafts of wholesome truth. The more agitation the better, be it prompted by honest endeavor and rugged virtue. But in the midst of all, let no weeping Jeremiah hang his harp on the willows, lamenting the death of honesty and purity in the land.

In time the speakers had their say. The crowds passed the afternoon on the streets and in the park until evening, when a signal from the combined bands brought everyone together at the corner of Michigan and Rose to watch the fireworks display. The Centennial Committee provided for thirty-three "pieces." Among them were flights of Rockets, Stars, Serpents and Gold Rain, Bombshells, Triangles, and Trees of Light. Probably most spectacular were the "Set Piece: The American Emblems, Eagle and Shield, surmounting '1776, Centennial, 1876' in letters of Fire" and the "Grand Emblematic Piece, in letters of Fire: 'Peace, Prosperity, Freedom: the Result of 100 Years.'" Then there were Parachute Rockets, Vertical Wheels, Colored Mines and Passion Flowers, a Square and Comaps for the Masons, and finally, "Kalamazoo's farewell piece: 'Good Night.'"

The fireworks ended at ten in the evening, and by eleven, all the special trains had left, "bearing homeward their respective multitudes." The Centennial Committee concluded, "by midnight the town's people, fatigued by labor and excitement, sought repose in their several homes, and the town, so full of noise and bustle and enthusiasm during the day, sank at last to rest.

Not everyone came to Kalamazoo for the celebration. Some of the farmer's diaries kept in the WMU Regional History Collections make no mention of the 4th. The local surveyor Frank Hodgman composed music for William Cullen Bryant's "Centennial Hymn" instead. He mailed his composition to the old poet the same day, saying, "Honored Sir. I have spent this day in writing music, adapted to the words of your Centennial Hymn....I am not a professional musician and do not publish what I write so the enclosed copy is very likely the only one of its kind you will ever see."

Bryant wrote back that he had heard the lines: "a musical friend has sung them to me, with your music, and the accompaniment of a piano, and I find them wonderfully improved by what you have done for them."

Mary Barney spent the day with her family in Schoolcraft. She wrote in her diary, "the 100th Anniversary of Independence has come and gone. It has been very quiet here - a great many have gone to Kalamazoo." The stump orators in Galesburg and Allegan, Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo shouted their sentiments to the crowds in the best 19th century manner, but Mary Barney, who heard none of the speeches, caught their essence when she reflected on the meaning of the Fourth for her:

"... have we not forgotten, in the hurry and strife of our money-getting, in the rapidity with which events have crowded upon one another in these latter days, the blessings that have come to us from the past, and the debt we owe it?"

Governor Bagley, 1876

I hope we as a people will begin our next century with the sure purpose of overcoming our faults and living more plainly and rationally than we have ever done. If wrong and injustice could only be put down that are now rampant in high places - if merit could be rewarded and the wrong doers be punished - we might hope for better days and brighter prospects. God grant his blessing on this nation now and in the coming centuries.

Back in Kalamazoo, the Executive Committee reported the end of the Centennial Celebration:

Thus, without an accident to mar the pleasure or a delay in the execution of the programme to vex patience, the day passed delightfully from sunrise to midnight; and thus, auspiciously, did the people of Kalamazoo celebrate the first and welcome the second century of our National Existence.
Official Salutes Western Bicentennial Plans Unrivaled

The Exchange Club and the Durametallic Corporation of Kalamazoo have given a Freedom Shrine to Western. The exhibit of 28 authentic reproductions of historically famous American documents, spanning the 325 years from the Mayflower Compact to the World War II Instrument of Surrender in the Pacific, will be permanently displayed in Waldo Library. Participating in dedication ceremonies, from left, were: WMU President John T. Bernhard; WMU alumnus Jack P. Johnston, Exchange Club president; Paul D. Jackson, president, Durametallic Corp.; Robert H. Luscombe, chairman of the University's bicentennial committee and assistant dean of fine arts; and Carl H. Sachtieben, WMU director of libraries.

By Tom Veenendall

"Unrivaled on any campus in the state," describes Western's Bicentennial plans according to Howard F. Lancour, executive director of the Michigan American Revolution Bicentennial Commission in Lansing.

"Both the number and the diversity of the projects . . . indicate a bicentennial unrivaled," said Lancour in a letter to Robert Luscombe, WMU assistant dean of fine arts and chairman of the University's Bicentennial Committee.

Working since 1973, the twelve-member Bicentennial Committee has endorsed 38 projects involving students, faculty, staff and facilities.

Emphasizing the meaningfulness of the events rather than the number, Luscombe indicated that the campus celebration "will heighten our awareness of America's history through a variety of enriching programs and activities. We are hoping that individuals will involve themselves in the celebration both as observers and participants and that each will discover personal ways to celebrate that are truly meaningful. Our committee believes the key to a successful celebration is personal involvement," said Luscombe.

This two-year-long campus celebration is large in scope and vision. The celebration officially began in the spring of 1975 and events will continue through the summer of 1977.

One project won't be completed until 2076, when the WMU Bicentennial Time Capsule is finally opened by the then University President. A sculptural work has been proposed to house the films, documents, flags, pictures, recordings and other appropriate memorabilia developed for the WMU Bicentennial Celebration.

Tom Veenendall is a graduate student who is working toward his master's degree in communication arts and sciences.
Among the most ambitious projects with the largest funding from sources outside the University are a traveling Vaudeville Show Wagon, a series of radio shows on Michigan history, and a one and one half hour original multimedia work.

Funded dually by the Michigan Foundation for the Arts and the Michigan Council for the Arts, the Vaudeville Show Wagon received a combined $10,752 to produce 31 performances throughout Michigan.

“At that time, it was one of the largest gains given by the Foundation,” said Luscombe. “This vote of confidence from the Council and the Foundation speaks well for the quality and scope of the project.”

Sponsored by the WMU theatre department, a company of twelve actors, singers, instrumentalists and dancers will present a vaudeville attraction similar to the type touring the Kalamazoo area during the last half of the nineteenth century. Twenty performances are planned for small towns in southwestern Michigan and eleven in Michigan’s Upper Peninsula.

Receiving an $8,000 grant from the Michigan Council for the Arts, the Department of Instructional Communications is creating eight, half-hour, taped, original radio plays to dramatize important events in Michigan’s history. Spring distribution is planned to radio stations throughout the state with some national distribution.

One of the highlights of the campus celebration will be “Proud Music of the Storm,” a large, multimedia work based on the writings of Walt Whitman. The work will have taken two and one half years to write and produce by the time it is premiered in December of this year.

Two grants from the Michigan Council for the Arts totaling $5,500 made “Proud Music of the Storm” possible. Written and conducted by Ramon Zupko, associate professor of music, the work will feature an orchestra of 62, mixed chorus of 50, a brass band, a woodwind band, 12 dancers, electronic sounds, films and slides. Current plans include video taping the production and distributing the film to interested groups throughout the state.

Valley Two Residency Hall community is currently sponsoring a series of twenty programs celebrating the Bicentennial. Totally developed by Valley Two residents, this series of programs “exemplifies the way a university community is responding to the Bicentennial,” explained Luscombe. Current program listings are included in the calendar below.

A comic operetta set in 1776 Boston will be presented by the departments of music and theatre March 18-20. The show promises to provide a delightful perspective on an obscure, if not totally fictional, event involving the infamous General Thomas Gage.

March 25 will mark the premiere of American composer Daniel Pinkham’s newly commissioned, avant garde choral work by the 1,500 voice Southwestern Michigan Vocal Festival choir in Miller Auditorium. The composer will be on campus to conduct the premiere, “Pinkham is among America’s leading composers of choral music. It will be quite an honor to have him at WMU as part of the Bicentennial celebration,” said Luscombe.

A Bicentennial Concert of Dance by the University dance department will be performed April 2-3 featuring dance performance styles from 1776, 1876 and 1976. Noted American choreographer, Sophie Maslow, will be on campus to choreograph “Folk Say,” a work about the pioneer movement west based on Carl Sandburg’s “The People, Yes.” The concert will also feature the premiere performance of Western’s new ballet company.

A new work commissioned by the Western Brass Quintet from Karel Husa, internationally renowned American composer, will premiere on campus in December. Brass music by other American composers will also be included in the Quintet’s local and national performances. “National invitations have been received by the group partly in result of their performance in the Carnegie Recital Hall last May,” said Luscombe.

WMU’s Para-School Learning Center, the Young Gospel Singers, and a Northside community organization are currently forming a summer Traveling History Troupe focusing attention on the many contributions black people have made to the development of the Kalamazoo area.

Also ready in June will be a pictorial history of blacks in Kalamazoo created by WMU’s Black Americas Studies program.

In the spring the Department of Instructional Communications will make available a series of 12 dramatized biographies on six audio cassettes about famous and infamous American women.

The American Issues Forum, a national program coordinated locally by the WMU Division of Continuing Education, is a project which assists community organizations in incorporating topics from the American Issues Forum calendar in their local Bicentennial programming. Some of the topics include “Certain Unalienable Rights,” “A More Perfect Union,” and “Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.”

The Freedom Shrine, a collection of 28 authentic reproductions of historically famous American documents have been permanently displayed in Waldo Library. This gift to the University is from the local Exchange Club in cooperation with Durametallic Corporation of Kalamazoo.

The newest project being developed is a University Bicentennial Questionnaire to measure current attitudes toward contemporary events which relate to similar attitudes and events in colonial America. Distribution is planned during the winter term.

Projects already completed include a University symbol design contest, a presentation entitled “Dance in America: 1776-1976” and well-known American dance historian and critic Walter Terry, several lecture/demonstrations by visiting artists and scholars, and the filming of the WMU Marching Band Bicentennial Show.

The University Bicentennial committee welcomes ideas and suggestions and urges alumni to participate in this important celebration. Inquiries about the University’s activities and suggestions as to how our celebration can become more effective and meaningful should be addressed to the University Bicentennial office, 1044 Moore Hall, (616) 383-0739.
Retiring Dean Tells Grads to “Go Political”

“Go political!” That’s the advice Leonard Gernant gave Western’s graduating class last December 18 at commencement exercises in Read Fieldhouse. He retired two weeks later from his University post as dean of academic services.

“Wherever the opportunity presents itself, tell decision-makers in state and national governments about our programs and our needs,” he continued. “Only through increased and more adequate recognition of Western Michigan University in the legislative halls and the Governor’s office in Lansing will this institution be able to maintain its services to you and your fellow citizens.”

He pointed out that since 1789, when the federal constitution went into effect with its representative form of government, Western’s history has been intertwined with that of our nation for nearly 40 percent of this long time. “I point this out merely to show that any public university is the product, in great measure, of the political and governmental forces that prevail decade after decade on the state and national levels,” explained Gernant.

Gernant asserted that the University is the indispensable institution through which the national heritage can be understood, preserved and handed on from one generation to the next; young persons, and older people alike, can move in an upward mobility from one social and economic level to another; and that can guarantee the stability of our democratic society, while taking a leadership role in bringing about necessary changes within it, so that 100 years from now our posterity may celebrate again the legacy that is theirs.

He believes that WMU can serve the state and nation “only when it leads in free and untrammeled research to seek out the truth wherever it may be found, when it teaches the truth freely so that those who listen may learn, and when it reaches beyond the confines of its immediate campus into the areas beyond, and these areas may at times include peoples abroad.”

Citing Henry Adams’ “gem of an idea” that “a truly educated man is the one who best responds to the lines of force that most dominate the age in which he lives,” Gernant reasoned, “It seems to me that the state university that serves its clientele best is the one that is always most responsive to the significant lines of force that dominate the age in which it may find itself.

“Western has been that kind of institution from its very beginning,” he stated. “Founded only 38 years after the end of the Civil War, the ink was hardly dry on the legislative act that created this place before the president organized the department of rural education in response to crying needs for trained teachers in areas all over Michigan. It was ... the first such department in any normal school ... in the entire United States.

“It was not the last time that Western would strike out boldly and lead in pioneering efforts to set up academic programs to respond to the lines of force in our society. During all of its really formative years, Western became a national leader in the excellence and size of its teacher training programs.

“Again, as an alumnus, I would like to invite you to become participants with us in interpreting and explaining the programs of this great institution to the public, and also to their elected representatives ... We can no longer do this by ourselves. We need you to help tell your fellow citizens and your legislators what this institution has to offer and what it can continue to do for our state in the future.”

To mention only a few, Gernant told the graduating class, “We need you to say ... Western responded to state and national and even international needs by doing such things as: developed the largest school of occupational therapy in the country; founded the first Institute of Medieval Studies; led the state and nation in many kinds of programs in special education ...; established a school of social work whose enrollments have been filled to capacity; ventured into new areas of applied sciences and business ...; aided the Peace Corps in new credit programs ...; brought increasing numbers of students from foreign lands to this campus; and has creative programs in Arts and Sciences, General Studies and a lively Honors College.

Former Board of Trustees Chairman Robert Caine distributes diplomas at December commencement.

Leonard Gernant

“Tell your fellow citizens about the opportunities offered here in graduate work on the master’s and doctoral levels; tell them about the programs in Miller Auditorium that are rapidly making this the cultural center of Western Michigan; tell them about the rapidly growing Colleges of Fine Arts and Business. Let them know that Western has approval to mount a new College of Health and Human Services so we may respond to the demands in those areas; that it has an Institute of Public Affairs working to help communities solve governmental and environmental problems; and that we are on the brink of a tremendous program called the Open University and the External Degree that will be the capstone of many years of effort in continuing education,” Gernant concluded.
Dr. Lillian Meyer, not pictured, and Dr. George E. Kohrman, fourth from right, have been elected chairman and secretary, respectively, of the new President's Emeriti Council at Western.

Selected by their peers, the 12-member Council was established by WMU President John T. Bernhard to provide advice and counsel to him, especially in areas of concern to the University's retirees.

Pictured from left with Bernhard, are Hugh G. Archer, Mrs. Fred A. Beeler, Clayton J. Maus, Miss Eunice E. Kraft, TC '18, Dr. Leonard O. Kercher, TC '24, Mrs. Frank C. Householder, MA '59, Dr. Kohrman, Miss Margaret E. Feather, TC '25, BA '32, Dr. Russell H. Selbert and Vern E. Mabie, TC '25, BA '30. Dr. Frederick J. Rogers, BA '30, was also absent when this picture was taken. Meyer, of Galesburg, is an emeritus professor of chemistry, and Kohrman, of Kalamazoo, is an emeritus professor of industrial education.

"Voices From Michigan's Past" Radio Series Recorded

"The performance of Western student musicians during the difficult recordings of theme and incidental music for the 'Voices from Michigan's Past' Bicentennial dramatic series could be compared to any professional studio orchestras I have recorded in New York," says Eli Segal, manager of audio services at WMU.

Being produced by WMU's Division of Instructional Communication (DIC), the series of eight half-hour programs involves original music and scripts written by professionals in Michigan. The series dramatizes the stories of people and events vital to Michigan's development and, when completed in March, will be distributed to all public broadcasting radio stations in Michigan and to commercial stations upon request.

R. Mark Spink, DIC associate professor, director of the project, said, "The series fosters the true Bicentennial spirit; it celebrates the past while encouraging new creative commitments by those involved." He said 40 WMU students were involved in the musical recording sessions, under the baton of Herbert Butler, music professor and conductor of the WMU Orchestra.

Segal, a DIC associate professor who has had previous professional recording experience in New York, said he was greatly impressed with the WMU students' powers of concentration so necessary when playing numerous difficult and varied short musical passages, during the recently completed recording sessions.

A wide spectrum of Michigan historical events is covered by the dramatic series including: an important battle victory by Michigan's 25th Infantry in the Civil War; the copper miners' strike of 1913; Michigan's 19th century lumbering days; the 1853 struggle of state farmers against the Michigan Central Railroad; a documentary of Battle Creek's Rebecca Shelley, who spent much of 90 years in search of world peace through neutral mediation; the siege of Detroit by Indian chief Pontiac, with an offshoot love tale of a French girl and a British trader; and the story of experiments into the digestive processes at Fort Mackinac in the 1820's by an army doctor.

Assisted by an $8,000 grant from the Michigan Council for the Arts, the series will later be available in cassette form to Michigan schools, libraries and historical societies through WMU's Aural Press, along with bibliographical materials.

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Dykema, Ludlow Head Trustees

John R. Dykema of Grosse Pointe Farms and Charles H. Ludlow of Kalamazoo were elected chairman and vice chairman, respectively, of Western's Board of Trustees at the January Board meeting.

Dykema, who has served the past year as vice chairman, was elected to a two-year term to succeed Robert D. Caine of Hickory Corners, who remains on the Board. Ludlow's term as vice chairman is for one year.

The Board re-elected the following officers: Dr. Robert Hannah as secretary; Robert B. W. Wetnight, WMU vice president for finance, as treasurer and assistant secretary; and Robert W. Beecher, University controller, as assistant treasurer, all for the 1976 calendar year.

Dykema is a partner in the Detroit law firm of Dykema, Gossett, Spencer, Goodnow and Trigg. He received a B.A. degree from Princeton University and a J.D. with distinction from the University of Michigan Law School. He served four years in the U.S. Navy.

Ludlow, a native of Fremont, is the vice president and treasurer of The Upjohn Company. He received his B.S. degree in business education magna cum laude from Western. He received the WMU Faculty Senate Award in 1964 and he served in the U.S. Air Force, 1942-46.

Caine Cited for Leadership, Service

Robert D. Caine of Hickory Corners was recognized in January for his "outstanding leadership and dedicated service" as chairman of the Western Michigan University Board of Trustees.

At a retired paper company executive. Caine was cited by WMU President John T. Bernhard at the Jan. 16 meeting of the WMU Board of Trustees for "his keen interest in and support of Western." The meeting marked the end of Caine's two-year term as chairman, however, he will continue to serve as a member of the Board.

"Speaking for the entire University community, I wish to express our deep appreciation and gratitude for the outstanding leadership which Chairman Caine has provided," said Dr. Bernhard.

"He has been energetic, loyal, supportive and always conscious of his stewardship responsibilities to the State of Michigan. "During the past two years, Western has faced a series of serious, difficult problems; but strengthened by Chairman Caine's wisdom, vision and great concern for this University, the Board of Trustees has responded with exceptional skill and service," Bernhard continued. "To endure and to progress in such a troubled environment is a major achievement indeed!"

"Speaking personally, I want Chairman Bob to know how deeply grateful I am for his keen interest in and support of Western," said Bernhard. "His wise, experienced counsel has helped me over many a rough spot, and I am particularly thankful that he was always sensitive to the differences between the policy-making role of the Board, and the administrative responsibilities of the presidency. Always conscious of the impact and the precedent established by Board decisions, Trustee Caine demonstrated time and again an intelligent overview that was most responsive," Bernhard concludes.
Continuing Education Program Provides New Opportunities for Self Development

Noc, noc!
No, it's not another joke; it's the acronym for Western's New Opportunities Classes, a special Division of Continuing Education program designed as a "blueprint for self development."

Begun in January, a series of courses is being offered in a variety of ways — radio, commercial television, cable TV, some area newspapers and by correspondence. It's for those people who have thought about taking college courses just for fun or more seriously in pursuit of a degree, but haven't been able to do so because of travel distance to campus, no babysitters, a full-time job or so on. Courses can be taken for credit or on a non-credit basis.

Courses are available covering such topics as labor problems, money and credit, the non-western world, mass media, history of Michigan, psychology in business and industry, social problems, popular culture, architecture and Yankee ingenuity, the school climate and student-teacher relations, multi-handicapped, Dickens, the business of writing, psychology today, classroom problems, human relations and school discipline, and teaching children to read.

"It's a coordinated effort to take the services of WMU to a wider off-campus student body as a response to changes in the traditional notion of students," explained Dr. Philip Denenfeld, WMU associate vice president for academic affairs. "There have been significant increases in the average age of our students, the number of commuter students and the number of part-time students.

"The University has been changing not so much what it teaches, but how, when and where," he observed. "We have not been serving the full-time, on-campus students any less, but responding more effectively to the educational needs of the citizenry."

Additional information can be obtained by contacting your nearest WMU regional center or the WMU Division of Continuing Education at Kalamazoo, 383-1860. 

WMU Students Earn $2.4 Million

Western students earned $2.4 million during the 1974-75 fiscal year from jobs obtained through WMU's Student Employment Referral Services (SERS).

Ronald Lutz, financial aid officer in charge of SERS, said that total is $1-million more than WMU students earned in 1973-74 from jobs secured through his office. He said the 1,697 confirmed job placements in 1974-75 was nearly 50 percent greater than in the previous fiscal year, noting that 95 percent of these were off campus positions.

SERS is an arm of WMU's Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarship.

Lutz noted that 18,200 separate student contacts were made with SERS during 1974-75.

Alumni in the Southwestern Michigan area who are interested in hiring a Western student should contact Lutz, Student Services Building, W.M.U., Kalamazoo, 49008.

AMA Reaccredits WMU's PA Program

Western's Physicians' Assistants (PA) Program was recently awarded continuing accreditation by the American Medical Association's (AMA) Council on Medical Education (CME) for a three year period. Earlier this fall Western's PA program received approval from the Michigan Advisory Commission on Physicians' Assistants, also for three years.

An AMA On-Site Evaluation Team spent two days on WMU's campus in August to review the PA program here, and at the CME meeting in November, Western's program was considered.

The PA program was begun here in 1972 and is one of only 15 PA baccalaureate degree programs in the nation approved by the AMA. To be admitted, a student must have 60 hours of college credit and previous health work experience. A Physicians' Assistant student undergoes intensive training for 24 months in preparation for increasing the public's access to primary care, especially in the underserved inner cities and rural areas.

Dr. Mary E. Hawthorne, director of Western's program, notes that PA students here undergo intensive training for 24 months to prepare them to be "physician extenders." She says that according to the AMA, "The PA is a skilled person, qualified by academic and clinical training to provide patient services under the supervision and responsibility of a doctor of medicine or osteopathy who is, in turn, responsible for the performance of that assistant."

Winter Enrollment Numbers 19,914

Western's winter semester enrollment total is 19,914 students, an increase of 132 over the 19,782 enrolled a year ago.

A breakdown of the new total by classes and a comparison with last year's subtotals are as follows: freshmen, 3,702, down 118; sophomores, 3,603, up 215; juniors, 3,913, up 253; seniors, 4,155, up 70; graduate students, 3,942, down 143; and unclassified, 598, down 143. Unclassified includes high school students taking college classes for college credit.

There are 10,924 males and 8,990 females enrolled at Western.

WMU's winter semester classes began January 5. The semester recess is March 1; classes resume March 8. Winter semester commencement will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 24, in Read Fieldhouse.
Western V.P. Accepts Idaho Presidency

Dr. Myron L. Coulter, Western's vice president for administration, has accepted the presidency at Idaho State University (ISU) at Pocatello, effective July 26.

Coulter succeeds Dr. William E. Davis, who resigned last spring to take the presidency at the University of New Mexico.

ISU, with an enrollment of approximately 8,500 students, is the second largest university in Idaho. Founded in 1901, it has five colleges and a graduate school: the College of Liberal Arts, College of Education, College of Medical Arts, College of Business, College of Pharmacy and a School of Vocational-Technical Education. It has a 792 acre campus with more than 50 buildings.

"Dr. Coulter will be sorely missed at Western," said WMU President John T. Bernhard. "He has served this University faithfully and ably since 1966. Much of the progress achieved by WMU in the past decade is due to Dr. Coulter's diligent and creative administration. He has been an active, central figure in Western's phenomenal physical expansion, rapid student enrollment growth and most recently in the establishment of our new University development program," Dr. Bernhard continued. "All of us at Western wish Dr. Coulter and his family the very best, and trust that they will enjoy the great challenge facing them at Idaho State!"

"My family and I are pleased and honored with the opportunity to serve the presidency of Idaho State University," commented Coulter. "It is an excellent institution which boasts an outstanding faculty and a very fine student body. We are looking forward to becoming a part of the community of Pocatello and the State of Idaho.

"The ten years we have spent in Kalamazoo and at Western have been most rewarding and enjoyable we have ever known," Coulter said. "Although it will be extremely difficult to leave the University, this community and our many close friends, we look forward to establishing the same lasting relationships in Idaho."

"The Kalamazoo community has provided countless opportunities for me and my colleagues at Western to become deeply involved in the civic and cultural affairs of this unique city," concluded Coulter.

Coulter served as WMU's president for the interim period, March 1 to September 1, 1974; he joined Western's faculty as associate dean of the College of Education in 1966 and was appointed vice president for institutional services in 1968. He received his B.S. degree in 1951 from Indiana State University, where he recently was honored with a Distinguished Alumni Award; M.S. in 1956 and Ed.D. in 1959 from Indiana University.

A native of Albany, Ind., he and his wife, Barbara, have twins - Nan and Benjamin, 14.

University Helps City Go Metric

About 300 Kalamazoo city water utility employees have begun learning metric measurements from a team of Western faculty members representing its Center for Metric Education.

The training is part of an ongoing city project to convert its water system to metric measurements and modernize all home water meters over the next 30 months. The metrics training phase of the project, being done by WMU under a $10,375 contract from the city, will involve all employees of the water department and continue through June.

Dr. John R. Lindbeck, professor of industrial education and director of WMU's Center for Metric Education, is coordinating the training program. Instruction is being given at several city water pumping stations, the City Utilities Building and City Hall by G. Stewart Johnson, professor and chairman, department of mechanical engineering; Arvon D. Byler, associate professor, and Dr. Michael B. Atkins, assistant professor, both industrial education department.

Theatre Receives Departmental Status

Western has a new department of theatre, created by the Board of Trustees approval of a transfer of the existing theatre area in the department of communication arts and sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences to the College of Fine Arts.

Dr. Zack York, director of University Theatre, is serving as acting chairman of the new department.

"The move is eminently appropriate," said Dr. Robert Holmes, dean of fine arts. "Adding this new department to those already in the college - art, dance and music - rounds out our collegial philosophies, programs and administrative structure.

"I hope there have always been good relations among these units," observed Holmes, "and these good relations will now carry more meaningful programmatic results in our academic as well as in our co-curricular activities.

"There is a strong theatre tradition here, a firm base upon which to build," he continued. "We hope, for example, to begin a new major and minor in theatre next fall. We also plan to give considerable attention and whatever support we can to such things as the faculty's long-range aspirations and goals; consideration of new programs, such as theatre therapy and playwriting; production and box office development; recruitment; development of touring productions; and working with other theatre agencies in the area, as well as with the public schools," Holmes concluded.

DAR Establishes Indian Loan Fund

The state chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution has established a loan fund for Michigan Indians who attend Western.

Graduate students may borrow as much as $300; undergraduates up to $200 for tuition. For other related educational expenses, seniors and graduates are allowed to borrow as much as $200; those who are juniors and below up to $100.

There is a minimum service charge of 50 cents for a loan, but there is no interest charged unless the loan is outstanding after a student graduates or otherwise discontinues attending Western Michigan. In such a case, a six per cent rate of interest will be charged.

Application forms and additional details are available through WMU's Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships.
Violent Crimes on Campus Down Significantly in '74-75

Contrary to state and national trends, campus crimes of violence against persons, particularly those that involve the use of weapons, are down significantly over a year ago at Western.

The size of the campus; staff qualifications; three computerized systems of assistance; cooperation with city, township, county, state and federal agencies; and a foot patrol are some of the reasons cited for the decrease in violent crimes on campus from 1973-74 to 1974-75, according to a report by Keith Sheeler, WMU director of public safety.

The report cited many reasons for Western's relative success when compared to state and national crime statistics. "We're blessed with a small geographical area which can be more effectively saturated with patrol personnel as opposed to the sprawling urban and rural areas," observed Capt. John Cease, who is commander of the University police patrol division.

"Some of our effectiveness is a result of the techniques that can be employed in a small geographical area," he explained. "Once a month - thanks to the cooperation of the University's data processing department - we conduct a comprehensive complaint load analysis. Then we selectively adjust patrol division assignments based upon called for services."

Sheeler pointed out that, as of last July 1, Western's police officers averaged having 72 hours of college credit, 5.8 years of professional experience as a sworn police officer, and 827 clock hours of professional police training for which no college credit is given.

Two other computerized systems that provide invaluable assistance are LEIN - Law Enforcement Information Network - and NCIC - the National Crime Information Center in Washington, D.C., that enable the campus police to disseminate and retrieve information coast to coast.

There were 15 robberies on campus in 1973-74 - the first year WMU had a police department - and there were 10 robberies in 1974-75. Sheeler reported that of that total, 17 were armed robberies, of which 12 have been cleared. He indicated that there have been four robberies in 1975-76; they are still under active investigation. He noted that none of them was armed, and two of them were pizzas taken from a delivery man.

He said that Michigan urban area burglaries were up 20.2 per cent last year, but WMU was down 33 per cent; Michigan urban area

There has been one homicide on campus in the two reporting years. Western's police division has 14 patrolmen, including one woman officer; four patrol sergeants; one master sergeant; and Capt. Cease. Capt. Robert Slater commands the detective division which includes one lieutenant, two detectives and one investigator. Capt. Jack Welch commands the service division which handles records, radio dispatching, non-emergency health transportation requests and other service calls. The entire police division is supervised by Deputy Chief of Police V. Lemar Curran.

Police officers Brian Hoppes (in car) and Adam Wojciechowski are among the 14 patrolmen who maintain a 24-hour vigil on Western's campus.

Board Finalizes Student Records Policy

Administrative procedures regarding rights of Western students to have access to their educational records were finalized in December by the WMU Board of Trustees.

The Board approved a policy which specified "the intent of Western Michigan University to comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and to establish and implement all administrative procedures necessary to assure such compliance." According to Thomas Coyne, vice president for student services, Western has complied with the law since its passage in 1974, and had previously adopted interim procedures allowing student inspection of their educational records, with opportunity for a hearing upon petition to challenge any material in their records.

The Board action also rescinded any currently-existing policy statements in conflict with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, and designated Dennis Boyle, University registrar, as compliance officer.

Palmetier Appointed

Dr. Robert A. Palmetier, chairman of Western Michigan University's department of linguistics, has been appointed to a key committee of the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE).

He will serve for an indefinite term on the organization's Committee on Bibliography of Language Recordings. It will prepare for publication an annotated bibliography of commercially produced disc, tape and cassette recordings illustrating stages in the history of the English language and national, regional and social varieties of current English usage.
WMU Prof Is Praised by N.Y. Times

The Carnegie Recital Hall tuba performance in January by Robert Whaley, Western associate professor of music, was given a rave notice in the New York Times by critic Robert Sherman.

"The students at Western Michigan University are certainly getting their tuition's worth if the rest of their music faculty is of the same superior echelon as the instrumentalists and composers who gave us such a fascinating evening at Carnegie Recital Hall on Friday," wrote Sherman.

Clarkson Is New Admissions Head

Duncan Clarkson, BA '56, was appointed as Western's director of admissions by the WMU Board of Trustees in December. He succeeds Russell Gabier, who was named as the new director of alumni and development.

He joined Western's staff in 1964 as an admissions counselor and has been associate director of admissions since 1969.

"I'm pleased with the appointment of Mr. Clarkson," said Dr. Myron L. Coulter, vice president for administration in recommending the appointment to the Board. "He brings a strong background in admissions work. His formal education, as well as his 11 years of service as an admissions counselor and associate director of admissions, will provide the continuity which is essential to continuing success in attracting students to this University.

Clarkson received his master's degree in 1964 from the University of Michigan and is currently doing advanced graduate work at Western. Previously he taught social sciences at the Martin, Mich., High School.

Heads State Group

Virginia E. Norton, assistant director of Western Michigan University's Office of Student Activities, is the new president-elect of the Michigan Association of Women Deans, Administrators and Counselors (MAW-DAC). She was elected during the organization's fall meeting held at the MEA Conference Center, Battle Creek.

WMU Composer Places Second in World

Curtis Curtis-Smith, assistant professor of music at Western, has won second place in an international competition for orchestral works which attracted some 500 compositions.

His concerto for piano and orchestra, entitled "Bell's Bell du jour," earned second place in contention for the "Prix Francis Salabert" award. It was performed by the WMU Symphony Orchestra, with Curtis-Smith as the pianist, in early February at Miller Auditorium, and also by the Indianapolis (Indiana) Symphony at the Indiana State University (ISU) Contemporary Music Festival. The Indianapolis Symphony selected the Curtis-Smith concerto during a nationwide contest.

Curtis-Smith composed his concerto under a $2,366 faculty research grant and fellowship from the WMU Office of Research Services.

The Prix Francis Salabert is named in memory of the late Francis Salabert, who served as president and director of Editions Salabert, a French music publishing firm which also has New York offices.

First prize in the competition went to Frank W. Becker, an American living in Yokohama, Japan, while third place was won by Brian Schober of Roselle Park, N.J. As part of the award, which included a purse of $4,500, Becker's composition will be published by Salabert, which has indicated that it may also publish Curtis-Smith's.

A jury, headed by the famed Olivier Messiaen and including Iannis Xenakis, Lukas Foss and Ivo Malec, all composers, and journalist Maurice Fleuret, made the selections following deliberations in Paris, France.

Test Cell Facility Construction Begins

Test cell facility construction is expected to begin in the spring on a new aviation engine test cell facility at Western's airport.

The facility, estimated to cost $16,000, will provide housing and controlled testing of jet and reciprocating aircraft engines as part of the instructional program in the department of transportation technology. The building will have an area of 1,200 square feet.

"This building will provide vastly improved conditions and enable us to install permanent instrumentation for testing purposes," said Dr. Harley D. Behm, professor and chairman of transportation technology. "Thus, our measurements will be more precise since we won't have to continue to assemble and disassemble the testing equipment outdoors as has been the case in the past.

The two separate cells will have control panels with engines and a dynamometer currently owned by the University through gifts from manufacturers, Behm added.

Structural elements have been donated to WMU by Steel-Con, Inc., Kalamazoo, and precast concrete panels have been given to Western by Precast-Schokbeton, Inc., Kalamazoo. Two Kalamazoo companies have been awarded contracts for concrete and mechanical work, and other construction work will be done by University personnel and/or contributions of labor and materials.
If you have difficulty understanding the income tax forms, food preparation directions, insurance policies and even the Bible, you may take solace in knowing that a Western faculty member has determined that there is a wide range of readability levels required to comprehend commonly used materials.

Dr. Ted K. Kilty, WMU associate professor of teacher education, recently completed a study in which he discovered that colonial children who were attempting to learn to read through the use of the hornbook (a small piece of wood on which there is a piece of paper containing printing - often the first few verses of the book of Genesis) were being presented with reading material at the 5.0 readability level.

He explained that readability is a numerical equivalent of the reading difficulty associated with printed material; it is expressed as grades and months. For example, the readability or reading difficulty level of a book written at the 7.3 level should equal the ability of the average student in the seventh grade, third month.

U.S. State Dept. Reappoints Lowrie

Dr. Jean E. Lowrie, professor and director of Western's School of Librarianship, has been reappointed by U.S. Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger, to the Government Advisory Committee on International Book and Library Programs, the 12-member committee of librarians, publishers and booksellers meets quarterly in Washington to review policies and operations of government overseas book and library programs, and to work for closer coordination between these public programs and the private book activities abroad.

This marks Lowrie's second three-year appointment to the committee. She is past president of the American Library Association and of the American Association of School Librarians. She is the current president of the International Association of School Librarianship.

New Director Named

Joe R. Chapel, associate professor of teacher education, has been appointed director of Western Michigan University's Reading Center and Clinic.

He attended Muskegon Community College, earned his bachelor of arts degree from WMU in 1962 and his M.A. from Michigan State University in 1965. He has been with the Reading Center and Clinic since 1965, and succeeds Dr. Dorothy J. McGinnis, professor of teacher education, who returned to full time teaching this fall.

"A father who would like to assemble a child's Christmas toy through reading the directions will probably need a readability level of 9.6," Kilty observed.

Partly out of interest and partly as a matter of principle, he has kept track of the readability level of the federal tax forms for the past several years. "The harried taxpayers struggling with the directions for a return at 11:30 p.m. on April 15 may take comfort in the realization that what they are reading is written for a person with a 9.3 reading ability," said Kilty.

When people read the Michigan Official Driver's Manual in preparation for taking the written examination for a driver's license, they will need a readability level of 6.7; however, they will need a level of 7.3 to take the test, Kilty reported. Getting a motorcycle license is more difficult, he said; the readability level of the manual for motorcyclists is 10.1.

Other readability levels that he found to be needed are: directions on a box of popular gelatin, 7.8; directions on a bottle of popular aspirin, 10.3; directions for frozen TV ham and turkey dinners, 8.7 and 10.3, respectively; and lead articles in Time Magazine, varying levels at the 11th grade.

A person deciding to obtain life insurance will likely find the policy written at the 12.7 reading level, while a person reading the lease agreement for an apartment complex will need to be reading at the college level, Kilty said.

Governor Milliken Appoints Mann

Wayne Mann, director of archives at Western, was recently appointed by Governor William Milliken to a three-year term on the newly created nine-member State Historical Records Advisory Board.

The State Board results from the expansion of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission to the Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC), which has instituted the newly-appointed State Historical Records Coordinator, will serve as a central advisory body for historical records planning and for projects developed and carried out under the state program.

Mann is dean director of archives and the Regional History Collection at Western since 1967. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from WMU in 1954 and 1964 respectively.
AN 8 DAY FLY/CRUISE
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Gabier Assumes Top Alumni and Development Position

Russell Gabier, BS '52, is Western's new executive director of alumni and development. He succeeds Frank Bentz, who resigned to accept the senior development position at the University of Minnesota.

Gabier, who was appointed to his new position in December by the WMU Board of Trustees, joined Western's administrative staff in 1958 and has been director of admissions since 1967.

"Mr. Gabier has long experience and proven success as a university administrator," said Dr. Myron L. Coulter, vice president for administration in recommending his appointment. "Mr. Gabier has wide acquaintance with the state of Michigan. In his capacity as our admissions director, he has developed an extensive knowledge of the University's programs and personnel which will serve him well in his new position. It is particularly important at this stage in the University's growth that a person so well qualified as Mr. Gabier can assume the leadership of our alumni relations and development efforts.

A native of Lansing, Gabier was the 1974-75 president of the Michigan Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers and has been active in that organization at the national level. He received his B.S. degree in secondary education in 1952 from WMU, M.A. in school administration in 1955 from the University of Michigan, and has done extensive doctoral work at Michigan State University.

Gabier is a member of the corporate board of the American College Testing Program. Prior to coming to Western as assistant director of admissions in 1958, Gabier was principal of the Milford, Mich., Junior High School, 1957-58, and a teacher and coach in the Huron Valley schools at Milford, 1952-57. He still holds the Cadillac High School mile run record and he once held WMU's 2-mile run mark; he won the Mid-American and Central Collegiates as a college runner and he captured the All-Pacific championships in the U.S. Army.

Alumni Must Update Placement Files

Western alumni who have not updated or activated their placement files since September, 1965, have until next June 1 to prevent those files from being destroyed.

"Old credentials are of no value to a prospective employer," explained Dr. Chester Arnold, director of University Placement Services. "It is important that alumni keep their placement files in a state of readiness by updating them every two or three years with current information concerning work experience, graduate work and/or degrees and employer references."

Arnold stressed that placement services are continually available to interested alumni, but individual files should be kept current.

Alumni who want their files maintained should write or call University Placement Services, Knollwood Building, WMU, Kalamazoo, Mich. 49008, telephone 816-383-1710, before June 1 to discuss procedures in updating and activating.

Dear Alumni and Friends of Western

How strange and yet exciting it is to prepare my first letter to you as the chief administrator in Alumni Affairs and Development. Having been associated with the Admissions Office for 17 years, I have had the occasion to welcome many of you to the campus as new students. Now I am enjoying a new perspective which I must confess evokes rather strong feelings of nostalgia!

In my job of administering the office of Alumni Affairs and Development, I will have the opportunity and challenge of expanding existing programs and implementing those which are in the formative stages. My predecessors laid the groundwork and have provided a solid foundation on which to build. Western's alumni family is growing rapidly, not only in size but in its capacity for dynamic leadership in the difficult years ahead. The opportunity, therefore, to work with those who are emerging as leaders within the alumni constituency as well as the many loyal friends and benefactors who contribute their resources so generously, is extremely gratifying.

I believe that we all must reflect regularly on those personal experiences which have had a major influence on the course of our lives. In so doing we discover, without fail, that our educational experiences are paramount. It follows in the course of events that we look for ways to perpetuate that which has been good and in a sense to express our gratitude. For those who are sensitive to the economic woes of higher education and the widening gap between state appropriations and what is needed to provide excellence in education, there isn't a need to explain what needs to be done. For those who haven't yet tuned in to the situation, let it suffice to say that we need your help!

I am tremendously impressed by the confidence so many of our alumni and friends have demonstrated through their gifts to the University. Ranging from supporting membership in the Alumni Association to major Annual Fund donors and President's Club members, the list is impressive. Such support makes one realize that our alma mater is really a great institution.

The office of Alumni Affairs and Development exists to serve all who make up the Western family. The staff is dedicated to providing the best service possible to alumni and friends. Call on us whenever we can be of assistance. We need your continued support, interest, and confidence if we are to provide your sons and daughters, as well as your grandchildren, with a quality education.

Sincerely,

Russell Gabier

Russell Gabier, Director
Alumni Affairs and Development
Upcoming Alumni Club Meetings

MARCH 1, 1976
Michiana alumni club
Notre Dame basketball post-game supper, South Bend, Indiana
Contact Dan Telfer (219-288 7728) for details.

MARCH 26, 1976
Hastings, Michigan
Cocktail party, Villa Middleville
Contact Lew Lang (616-948 8021) for details.

MARCH 26, 1976
Grand Rapids, Michigan
Wine and Cheese Party, Ramblewood Party House
Contact Joan Gebauer (616-361 8508) for details.

*** COMING EVENTS ***
Kalamazoo alumni club “Ox Roast”
Battle Creek club dinner
Detroit golf outing and dinner party
Flint organizational meeting

Submit Your Nomination for the Distinguished Alumnus Award

Every alumnus of Western Michigan University has an opportunity to nominate a fellow graduate for the Distinguished Alumnus Award. The Awards are given in recognition of outstanding service to Western Michigan University, humanity, or special achievement in a particular field or endeavor. If you would like to make a nomination, please complete the form below and mail it to the Alumni Center. The Alumni Association Awards Committee will review the candidates’ qualifications, obtain additional data as necessary, and select the recipients. Nominations must be submitted in early March to be considered for this year’s Awards.

Previous Recipients

Al Pugno
Jack Olson
Gwen Frostic
Paul Briggs
Henry Van Dyke, Jr.
H. Gardner Ackley
Margaret E. Feather
Homer H. Stryker
Merze Tate
David Wayne
L. David Carley

Loretta Moore Long
John J. Pruis
Max Wilcox
Russell Lee Bearss
Mary Clarage Inman
Georgia Lewis Johnson
C. Carney Smith
Laurence L. Spitters
James Bouton
Daisy Urquiola de Wende
W. Bruce Thomas

Jeanette Veatch
Marvin E. Beekman
Peter R. Ellis
Harold A. Jacobson
Karla VanOstrand Parker
Barbara Lett Simmons
Evart W. Ardis
Thomas F. Briscoe
Frank Secory
Katherine Ardis Ux
Charles F. Williams

My nominee for WMU’s Distinguished Alumnus Award is:

NAME ____________________________
ADDRESS ____________________________
CITY ____________________________
PROFESSIONAL TITLE ____________________________
PRESENT OCCUPATION ____________________________

AWARDS, HONORS, OR ACTIVITIES SUPPORTIVE OF THIS NOMINATION ____________________________

SPECIAL INFORMATION WHICH MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO THE COMMITTEE ____________________________

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STATE ____________________
ZIP ____________________

Please use another sheet if more space is needed.

YOUR NAME ____________________
GRAD YEAR ____________________

IMPORTANT: This form must be returned by early March to:

WMU Alumni Awards Committee
Alumni Association
Western Michigan University
Kalamazoo, Mich. 49008
Dear Alumnus:

The single most frustrating responsibility of an Alumnus Director is maintaining complete and accurate alumni records. From the volume of my mail lately, this frustration is shared by many grads as well.

In an attempt to work together on this subject, please allow me to clarify and explain our operational procedures.

Change of address — The Alumni Association is but one office on campus and an address correction sent to any University office, professor, or department does not necessarily mean that we will be notified of the change. Therefore, if you send an update to Western, please request the data be forwarded to the Alumni Office. We are working to put all alumni address data on one computer system, but it takes time and coordination.

Address correction delay — It takes about two or three weeks from the date we receive your change until it has cleared the computer system. Very often mailing lists are ordered and printed several weeks in advance of an activity. This could mean that even though we have processed your change of address, a mailing listing your changed mailing label will not show this change.

Wrong addresses — A number of alumni use their parents', other family members', or their business address for alumni correspondence. This does cause a problem. Family or businesses often do not forward mail to the graduate and we are subsequently accused of not sending currenly mailings. We feel that the materials mailed should go directly to the individual graduate, wherever he/she lives.

Duplication mailings — Computers think "William A. Jones," "Wm. A. Jones," "Bill A. Jones," and "William Jones" are different people, and they well may be! However, if you receive two or more copies of something, please contact our records office so we can correct the mistake. We will be saving some money, too.

Marital or name changes — This category includes marriages, separations, divorces, and official name changes. The Alumni Office records staff cannot be expected to independently find out about changes in your personal life. If you keep us informed, we can keep you informed.

Unwanted mail — Very often I receive a letter or two complaining about WMU mailings, or requesting the names be removed from the mailing list. Complaints might best be resolved if contact is made directly with the department involved. IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO RECEIVE MAILINGS FROM WESTERN, PLEASE INFORM US AND SIGN YOUR NAME! We'll be happy to comply with your wishes.

Fund Drive To Benefit OT Department

"The Marion R. Spear Story" is being told to 1,400 alumni of Western's occupational therapy (OT) department as part of a $50,000 fund-raising campaign to benefit that department.

"Our goal," explained Helen Flaspohler, annual fund director, "is to provide additional money for the department's student loan fund and its award program, both named in honor of Miss Spear, founder of the OT department, and to provide support for other high priority projects."

Future program development needs in the OT department include audio tutorial laboratories, in-service training, research funds and a special honors program, according to Dean R. Tyndall, department chairman.

"The State of Michigan and the federal government provide basic funds for the University," Flaspohler noted, "but Western is tax-assisted, not tax-supported; therefore, more support from occupational therapy alumni is essential to assure continued success to a department that has achieved national recognition for its leadership role in the education of occupational therapists and administrators."

Western's OT department was organized by Miss Spear in 1922 at the Kalamazoo State Hospital, where she was employed. It later became one of the original first five schools of OT in the United States.

Miss Spear retired from the departmental chairmanship in 1959 and now lives on her farm in Cherry Valley, N.Y.

Those who wish to contribute to the fund should make their check payable to the WMU Annual Fund, and designate it for the occupational therapy department.

Fred Hansen
Director
Alumni Relations

Alumni Plan Trip To London In August

How does London in August sound? It seems most appropriate that during our nation's 200th birthday celebration we include an opportunity for alumni and friends to travel to England "where it all began". The Alumni Association is planning a trip to London during the week of August 13-21, 1976. Price will be approximately $429 per person, which will include air transportation, hotel, continental breakfast daily, sightseeing pass, complimentary beverages, plus all taxes, tips and transfers. Details will be finalized soon.

For more information, write to the Alumni Office, W.M.U., Kalamazoo, Mich. 49008.

Fred J. Hansen
Director
Alumni Relations

From the ALUMNI DIRECTOR'S DESK
Alumni Urged To Cast Vote for Best WMU Teacher

Each year the alumni association recognizes selected members of Western Michigan University's teaching faculty for “Excellence in Teaching.” Printed below is the criteria for the Award and the selection process. In accordance with these guidelines, a list of the twenty-four (24) eligible faculty members who have been nominated by students has been provided.

You may vote for one (1) of those faculty nominated or you may add one (1) write-in candidate. PLEASE make sure your write-in candidate is eligible. A list of former recipients NOT eligible in 1976 is printed below. Thank you for helping us recognize faculty who have distinguished themselves and our University.

Teaching Proficiency Is Main Criteria for Award

**Purpose** — The Teaching Excellence Award is to recognize those members of the Western Michigan University teaching faculty who have: (1) demonstrated a high degree of proficiency in classroom instruction; and (2) made a major contribution toward the general welfare of students and the University.

**Nature** — The Award will be a cash award of one thousand dollars ($1,000) along with an appropriate letter of commendation (or citation) from the Alumni Association. In addition, recipients will have their names permanently affixed to a plaque currently being displayed in the Alumni Center.

**Eligibility** — All Western Michigan University teaching faculty members are eligible, however, previous award winners will not be eligible for five (5) years after the date of his/her award.

**Selection** — 1. During the fall semester of each school year, students will be asked to nominate faculty members they feel qualified for the Award. The nomination procedure will be conducted after mid-terms, and before final exams, and will be under the direction of the Student Alumni Service Board.

2. The winter issue of the University Magazine will list the student nominations for Teaching Excellence Awards and any alumnus who wishes to cast a vote will be able to clip a ballot in the magazine and mail or return it to the Alumni Relations Office. The ballot should show the name and graduation year of the alumnus voter. Voting will be under the auspices of the Alumni Association.

3. The Awards Committee will review the results of the students and alumni balloting and, after consideration of the student contact credit-hour-ratio factor, will recommend not more than five (5) faculty be recognized for the award. The nominees will be presented to the Alumni Board of Directors at their annual Spring meeting.

**Presentation** — The Award(s) will be presented at the Homecoming luncheon held each Fall. Proper recognition will also be made through the news media with special stories carried in the campus newspaper.

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**STUDENT NOMINATIONS**

- Frank Wolf, Ind. Engineering
- Arthur Diani, Biology
- Phoebe Rutherford, Biology
- Richard Dieter, Com. Arts & Sciences
- David Karsten, Com. Arts & Sciences
- Shirley VanHoven, Com. Arts & Sciences
- Phillip Caruso, Economics
- Louis Junker, Economics
- James Riley, Mathematics
- Michael Long, Social Work
- James Mitchell, Accountancy
- Stephen Anderson, Management
- Thomas Carey, Management
- Carol Ryan, Management
- Zane Cannon, Marketing
- Brian Long, Lowell Crow Marketing
- Fred Orlofsky, PEM
- Ted Kitt, Teacher Education
- Cameron Lambe, Teacher Education
- Daniel Moore, Teacher Education
- Gilda Greenberg, General Studies
- Robert Poel, Science
- Martin Cohen, Librarianship

**IMPORTANT**: Please return this ballot by early March, to:

**ALUMNI RELATIONS OFFICE**

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY KALAMAZOO, MI 49008
Bronco Songs Featured on New Album

Music direct to you from WMU can be yours if you purchase the new album Western We Sing to You, recently recorded in the department of music.

Inspired by various alumni who made requests to the music department for a recording of school songs, the album was suggested by band director Carl Bjerregaard, BM '53, to alumni director Fred Hansen.

With endorsement and financial backing from the Office of Alumni Affairs, the recording was made in the 1975 fall semester by 130 music students enrolled in the University Symphonic Band and University Chorale.

The album includes school songs written in 1959-60 to mark Western's change from college to university, which occurred in 1957. "Fight Song" and "Alma Mater" were composed by Walter J. Gilbert, BA '60, a physics major. Lyrics for the "Alma Mater" were written by James H. Bull, BS '57, MA '63, an engineering student.

An earlier school song on the album is "On Western Michigan," written by former music student Ray C. Kooi, BA '36. Also featured on the recording is "WMU Rhapsody," written in 1975 by music faculty member William T. Allgood. The composition includes "Fight Song," "Alma Mater," "On Western Michigan" and "Go Broncos Go," a rock-pep-song from the 70's written by former music faculty member Alfred Balkin.

Other selections on the recording include works which were performed during high school tours and campus concerts by the University Symphonic Band in the fall of 1975. They are selections from Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess," "Jubilee," composed by Michael Hennagin and Hindemith's "Symphonic Metamorphosis."

The University Symphonic Band, with 100 members, is the largest instrumental concert ensemble in the music department. The University Chorale of 32 voices is conducted by Milvern K. Ivey. It is the most select of the six WMU choral ensembles.

The cover design and copy for the album were done by Carl W. Doubleday, BM '66, MA '68. Photography for the cover was provided by Timothy J. Ambrose, BS '72, MA '74.

Copies of the album may be ordered at $3.95 from the Office of Alumni Affairs, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49008.

Alumni Lunch Set

An alumni luncheon will be held April 9 in Port Huron at the Michigan Industrial Education Society convention, according to Dr. Arvon D. Byl, associate professor of industrial education.

Reservations for the luncheon will be accepted through March 19 at $5.00 each. Graduates who wish to attend should contact Byl, at 1057 Industrial and Engineering Technology Building, W.M.U., (616) 383-1879.

ARMCHAIRS—BOSTON ROCKERS

S. Bent & Bros. highest quality Alumni Chairs bearing the Western Michigan University seal in gold. Are handsome in both traditional and modern settings. Armchairs, in a black satin lacquer finish, are available either with black arms or arms in a cherry finish. The Boston Rocker is available with black arms only.

110x01 Armchair with black arms $114.00 $90.50
110x02 Armchair with cherry finish arms 117.50 93.50
110x04 Boston Rocker 94.75 75.50

Kindly add the appropriate shipping charge to the chair price, as follows:

$ 15.00 MD, VA, WV, NC, SC, DC
$ 20.00 PA, DE, NJ, OH, IN, KY, TN, AL, GA
$ 30.00 CA, OR, WA, ID, NV, NM, CO, AZ, MT.
$ 40.00 WY, UT, ND, SD, NE, KS, OK, TX
$ 25.00 Balance of Continental U.S. (not presently available in AK and HI).

Also add $7.50 for home delivery; i.e., where no commercial freight receiving facility is available.

070x01 WMU Ties $9.85 $8.25

100% polyester ties, 4" in width, display "WMU" in gold on a brown background. Available after Jan. 1st.
Cagers Set Record Pace

Coach Eldon Miller's nationally-ranked Bronco basketball squad shattered Mid-American Conference and WMU records by winning its first 19 games this season; the streak was snapped on the night of February 14 at Toledo, 88-80 by some torrid shooting by the host Rockets.

"I've never seen anyone shoot that well from the outside before against a team I've coached in 14 years at the collegiate level," praised Miller after Toledo burned the nets for a spectacular .654 percentage, while Western connected for a very respectable .515 accuracy mark from the field. The Broncos only turned the ball over twice in the entire second half.

Thus, WMU's league and school mark for consecutive victories was halted at 20, counting the win at Toledo in the 1974-75 season finale. The previous MAC mark was 17, established over the 1948-49 and 1949-50 seasons by former member Cincinnati. Western's previous standard was 18 games set by in 1929-30, including a perfect 17-0 record for one season.

The Broncos climbed as high as 15th in Associated Press major college basketball poll before losing to Toledo; Western only dropped to 17th after that setback. Western also was featured in the February 9th issue of Sports Illustrated.

Through 20 games this season, Western's starting five was hitting at a record .524 shooting percentage from the field; the overall team percentage was .496, which is still well ahead of the old school accuracy record of .464 set a year ago.

Senior Jeff Tyson had tallied 1,055 points in three varsity seasons to rank tenth among Western's all-time basketball scorers; he also had moved into sixth place in the number of field goals with 446. Immediately in front of him in scoring were Mike Steele, who scored 1,059 points from 1972-74; and Harold Gensichen, who tallied 1,066 in 1942-43 and 1947.

Another senior, forward Paul Griffin, also had topped the 1,000-point plateau for Bronco cagers. He is No. 1 among all-time WMU rebounders with 936, a total of 134 in front of runnerup Bob Bolton, who played from 1959-62.

Tyson was leading the Broncos in scoring through 20 games with a 17.5 average; his two biggest single game productions were 29 at Central Michigan and 27 in the loss at Toledo. Other top scorers were:

- Cutter, 13.1;
- Griffin, 11.4;
- junior center Tom Cutter, 10.9;
- freshman guard Marty Murray, 9.5; and senior guard Jim Kurzen, 7.7. Miller has gotten outstanding reserve help from Murray, sophomores Dave Carnegie and Mike Reardon, junior Herman Randle and seniors Dale DeBruin and S. L. Sales.

Western's junior varsity squad was unbeaten through its first 10 games.
The program has made monumental championships, taking the first two Division II games in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association, moving into Division I ranks this winter after taking the first two Division II championships.

Coach Bill Neal's team is also ranked among the nation's top 20 teams on a poll conducted weekly by Radio Station KBIL-St. Louis. The program has made monumental strides in its three years of varsity existence.

Rob Hodge, the senior left wing from Detroit and a 1974-75 Division II All-American, is in the midst of another banner scoring season. In 14 games, Hodge has pumped in 17 goals and assisted in 10 others for 27 points and also leads the team in clutch goals with nine.

Also carrying point productions in excess of one per game are right wing Jeff Lindsay (5-15-20), center Steve Smith (9-10-19), defenseman Neil Smith (3-15-18), center Phil Eve (3-14-17), defenseman Al Hamernick (4-13-17), right wing Bernie Saunders (5-10-15), left wing Kipp Acton (8-7-15) and right wing Tim Dunlop (9-5-14), as are Jacques Guske and Murray Pickel, who have battled injuries.

Saunders and Acton are both freshmen as is Joe McMahon, who holds down one of the regular defensive spots. Other first-year players recording quite a bit of ice time are defenseman Bob Holmsten and power play specialist Mark Beach.

Neil Smith, another 1974-75 All-American, is enjoying a banner season on the blue line. In addition to his scoring, the Don Mills, Ont., sophomore has played a major role in developing a new blue line corps.

This leadership will be even more important in following weeks since Mike Brown and Barry Murchie were lost for second semester because of eligibility problems. Speedy forward Skip Howey has been moved to defense to provide additional depth.

In goal, Neal is presently looking at Dan May, a transfer from Lake Superior State, and freshman Rob Lane of London, Ont., who entered school in January. This pair, along with holdover Steve Roth, fill out the present compliment of three netminders. The Broncos did experience problems in this area early in the campaign.

State Sen. Carl D. Pursell (center) of Plymouth, officially opened Western's hockey season by dropping the puck for the opening faceoff of an exhibition match between the Broncos and the U.S. Olympic team. Participating in the ceremony, from left, were: Bronco co-captain Rob Hodge, a senior from Detroit; WMU Coach Bill Neal; Pursell, an avid hockey fan and supporter of youth programs; Olympic Coach Bob Johnson of the University of Wisconsin; and Olympian Bob Dobek, a Detroiter who played his college hockey at Bowling Green. Western battled the Olympians even for 40 minutes before dropping a 4-1 decision. The Broncos opened their regular season Nov. 14-15 against the University of Wisconsin-Superior.

TENATIVE
1976 WMU Mens Varsity Tennis Schedule

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|     | 2 Toledo University 1:30 P.M. Stowe Stadium |
|     | 3 Michigan State U. 3 P.M. There |
|     | 4 Ball State U. 2 P.M. There |
|     | 5 Northern Illinois 10 A.M. At EMU |
|     | 6 Eastern Michigan U. 3:30 P.M. At EMU |
|     | 7 University of Michigan 2:30 P.M. There |
|     | 8 Miami University 3 P.M. At CMU |
|     | 9 Central Michigan U. 9 A.M. At CMU |
|     | 10 Bowling Green U. 2:30 PM. At CMU |
|     | 20/21/22 Mid-American Tournament At Oxford, Ohio |
|     | 26-30 NCAA Tournament At Corpus Christi |

BASEBALL — 1976

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|     | 5 at Ohio State (2) |
|     | 6 Michigan (2) Kalamazoo 1:00 |
|     | 7 Oakland Univ. (2) Kalamazoo 1:00 |
|     | 8 Northern Ill. (2) Kalamazoo 1:00 |
|     | 9 Notre Dame (2) Kalamazoo 1:00 |
|     | 10 Bowling Green (2) 1:00 |
|     | 11 Toledo (2) 1:00 |
|     | 12 at Kentucky (2), Lexington |
|     | 13 at Xavier (2), Cincinnati |
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MEN'S VARSITY GOLF SCHEDULE 1975-76

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<td>16-17 Northern Ill. Turney DeKalb, Ill.</td>
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|     | 10 BRONCO INVITATIONAL Lake Dodger, Kalamazoo |
|     | 14-15 M.A.C. Preliminary Lake Dodger, Kalamazoo |
|     | 21-22 M.A.C. Final Oxford, Ohio |
Freshmen Boost Swimming Hopes

Freshmen have played a big role for the Western's varsity men's swim team so far this winter as top performances in nine of the 11 individual events have been turned in by first-year performers.

Coach Dave Diget's squad is currently 1-2 in dual meet competition. The Bronco tankers won their opener against Waterloo of Ontario, 83-30, then lost to Western Ontario, 59-54, before the Christmas break and the Mid-American Conference schedule began. Kent State, a perennial MAC title contender, handed the Broncos a 63-50 defeat in the league opener for both teams.

Mark Blanchard, of Garden City, heads the list of rookie swimmers as he holds the best performances in the 500-yard freestyle, 4:59.83; the 1,000-yard freestyle, 10:17.20 (a new WMU varsity record), and the 200-yard individual medley, 2:04.29.

BASKETBALL

Coach Fran Ebert's defending state champions won impressively over Wayne State, 84-55; Western Illinois, 84-37; and Illinois State, 82-60, in its three outings to date.

Mendon's Phyllis Cupp, a member of the 1974 University Games' team, has scored in double figures on all three occasions and carries a 16.0 per game average. She had 15 rebounds in the Wayne contest.

Ann Kasdorf is averaging an even 15 points and has also been over the 10-point barrier three times with a high of 20 against Wayne State.

The top single-game scoring performance this winter was Mary Bramble's 26 at Illinois State.

Other top freshmen that hold team best performances are: Barry Swormstedt, 50-yard freestyle (:23.0); Tony Lesnau, 200 back-stroke (2:06.52); Jeff Hornacek, 200 breast-stroke (2:22.6) and Greg Bartos, 200 butterfly (2:15.8). All rank among the Mid-American Conference leaders.

Women's Sports Round-up

SMILING

Coach Norma Stafford's team won two of its first four dual meets to date. Three new varsity records have been set. Gail Gnade covered 500 yards freestyle in 5:59.6; Andy Coyle turned in a :59.2 century freestyle; and the 200 free relay of Pam Joachimi, Beth Boerner, Coyle and Lisa Vanlengen was timed in 1:51.1.

BOWLING

Coach Linda Law's team currently holds down first place in its league with a fine 33-7 record.

Patty Langs has rolled 30 games for a 161 average. Others making impressive showings in extensive play to date are Sue Winter, 161; Mary Rizzardi, 157; Jan Hofsten, 155; and Judy Edmondson, 153.

MEN'S VARSITY TRACK SCHEDULES

1975-76

INDOOR TRACK

MARCH

5 M.A.C. CONFERENCE at Kalamazoo
12-13 at NCAA Indoor Championships, Detroit
20 at Eastern Mich. USTFF Relays, Ypsilanti

APRIL

3 Open date
7 at Toledo, Ohio
13-14 Dogwood Relays at Knoxville, Tenn.
16-17 Ohio State Relays at Columbus, Ohio
22, 23, 24 at Ball State Relays Muncie, Ind.
27 Northern Illinois and Bradley at Dekalb, Ill.
30-May 1 Ill. USTFF Classic at Champaign, Ill.

JUNE

8 EASTERN MICHIGAN at Kalamazoo, Mich.
21, 22 M.A.C. at Oxford, Ohio
28-29 Central Collegiate Conference

at NCAA Outdoor Championships Phila. Penn.
at Olympic Games Trials Eugene, Oregon

WMU's defending women's state basketball champions off to good start.
Wrestlers See Tourney Action

The Bronco grapplers coached by George Hobbs, have lost both dual meets to date, but they have had an increased participation in tournaments, entering the Ohio Open at Dayton, the Michigan Collegiate and Muskegon Community College Open.

Lansing sophomore Joe Perrone, a rapidly-improving sophomore 126-pounder, finished second at Muskegon and fourth in the other two affairs. Perrone currently sports a 9-4 record after going 5-8-3 as a freshman.

Bob Read, a junior from Plymouth, Ind., was runner-up for 142-pound title honors at the Michigan Collegiate and added a third place at Muskegon. Read is now 8-5 after finishing his first two years of college competition with a 7-19-3 record.

Farmington junior Jeff Krause, a 177-pounder, has also given a good account of himself in tournaments, copping thirds at the Michigan Collegiate and Muskegon Open.

Gary Martin, the Mid-American Conference 150-pound titlist for the past two years, began the year in fine fashion with a runner-up award at the Ohio Open in the 158-pound division. Martin has since been plagued with an elbow injury. New regulars this year are: Dennis Jones, a freshman 118-pounder from Rockford, Ill.; Ric Wade, 134, sophomore, South Bend, Ind.; sophomore Rick Sherry, 150, New Lathrop; John Barthel, 167, sophomore, Flint; and Sturgis junior Tom Dobberteen at 190.

Heavyweight Mike Keen was academically ineligible following fall semester and it's doubtful if a capable replacement can be found for this division.

O'Malley Leads Bronco Gymnasts

Coach Fred Orlofsky's team began dual competition in Mid-January after December appearances at the Mid-American and Ball State Invitationals; the latter meet was conducted strictly on a all-around basis.

Junior Mark O'Malley of North Farmington is again WMU's top all-around competitor and was runner-up for title honors at the MAC Invitational and 13th in a field of 52 contestants at Ball State.

Sophomore Rich Heil of Martin's Ferry, O., was fifth in the all-around standings at the MAC Invitational thanks to strong event performances in floor exercise (fourth), and high bar (third).

Mike King, a sophomore from Birmingham, emerged as WMU's lone champion at that meet as he won the floor exercise competition and added a fourth place finish in vaulting. Mike Kellinger placed fifth in the latter event.
1910's

CHARLOTTE (BOBB) STEVENS, TC '11, 1801 W. Southgate Ave., Fullerton, Calif. 92633, and her husband, Murray, celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary on December 11, 1975. They have recently moved to California from their home of 33 years in New Rochelle, N.Y. "Since retirement in 1960," writes Mrs. Stevens, "we have visited 46 states, nine Canadian provinces, and ten Caribbean islands, and our feet still itch! We are in good health and hope to see a lot more of the world."

1920's

SAMUEL I. BISHOP, TC '24, 16300 W. 9 Mile Rd., #308, Southfield 48075, has been named Sportsman of the Year by the United Foundation in Detroit. A former coach at Detroit Northwestern High School, he is also in the WMU Athletic Hall of Fame.

THEODORE M. BLAKESLEE, BA '24, 1308 Summit Ave., Kalamazoo 49007, was the author of an article called "Dime a Dozen Inventors" in the Portage Herald-Headliner. He was cited for his role in perfecting a code to record "pictures of the human voice" on an os-cillograph, used in telephone, radio, and television transmitting.

WINONA (HINDES) CARROLL, TC '26, BA '30, is a missionary with the World Gospel Mission and has served with her husband, Ivan, in India since 1940.

1930's

ALDEN E. BIERMAN, AB '30, 510 Montezuma Rd., Benton Harbor 49002, now retired, was principal for 19 years of Benton Harbor High School, which has named its library in his honor. His wife is the former ALICE BIRDSEY, AB '29.

REBECCA MacFARLAND, TC '30, BS '30, 2702 Newstead SW, Wyoming 49509, has retired from Parkview Elementary School after 24 years of teaching.

DR. B. EVERARD BLAIR, BS '31, 303 Astor Ct., Villa Park, Ill. 60181, is academic dean at Daniel Hale Williams University in Chicago, Ill. He has authored a textbook, A New System of Education.

EDWARD L. DYKSTRA, BS '32, 957 DenHertog St. SW, Grand Rapids 49509, an audio-visual director, has retired from the Wyoming schools.

ANNETTE (STEIMEL) SCHULZ, BA '32, Ri3, Box 70, Petoskey 49770, a retired teacher, had a fall exhibit of wildlife paintings in Petoskey.

EVELYN HUNTING, BA '33, 231 Henry Ave. SE, Grand Rapids 49503, has retired from South Godwin Elementary School after 22 years of teaching.

MARY (WOLBRINK) PRAASTERINK, TC '33, 2146 Banner Dr. SW, Grand Rapids 49509, has retired from Northwest Elementary after 28 years of teaching.

1940's

REV. THEODORE H. BENNINK, BS '40, is the new pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Marysville.

JUNE A WEITTING, BA '44, MSL '66, 406 E. Madison, Wheaton, Ill. 60187, is director of the library at Wheaton (Ill.) College. She headed the committee which planned the college's new $2.4 million library complex which was completed recently.

NORMAN K. RUSSELL, BS '46, 2427 Aberdeen Dr., Kalamazoo 49001, assistant to the vice president of student services at WMU, has been named "Man of the Year" by the Westside Kiwanis Club. He is a current co-chairman of the United Way campus division and is secretary-treasurer of the WMU Parents Association.

ROBERT W. WRIGHT, BS '47, has been transferred to Midland as the new manager of accounting (USA) for the Dow Chemical Company.

JUNE S. COTTRELL, BS '48, MA '66, 530 Coolidge Ave., Kalamazoo 49007, assistant professor of communication arts and sciences at WMU, is the author of a recently released textbook, Teaching With Creative Dramatics.

1950's

DR. MAURICE J. WEED, BA '34, Ri1, Box 641, Timberlane Rd., Waynesville, N.C. 28786, has retired from teaching at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, N.C. He was honored at the Oglethorpe (Ga.) Presbyterian Church in a service featuring several pieces of music he had composed, including one written in 1966 and dedicated to Dr. Martin Luther King.

GLADYS (JAMES) RHOADS, TC '36, BS '41, 722 Nichols Rd., Kalamazoo 49007, has retired from Portage Public Schools after 42 years of teaching.

HARRIET DEBLAAY, BA '38, MA '56, an elementary principal in the Kelloggsville district, retired after 23 years as an educator.

REV. GEORGE C. ELLIOTT, BA '38, is the new pastor of Mount Hope United Methodist Church, Lansing.

D. JEROME SLACK, BS '39, is vice president and associate broker in the Traverse City office of North American Realty Corporation.

1960's

WINONA (HINDES) CARROLL, TC '26, BA '30, is a missionary with the World Gospel Mission and has served with her husband, Ivan, in India since 1940.

1970's

WILLIAM O. HAYNES, TC '48, BS '58, 6736 Pleasantview, Portage 49081, associate professor of distributive education at WMU, was elected vice president of the American Food Distribution Research Society at their annual meeting in Atlanta, Ga.

ROBERT SCRANTON, TC '48, 9441 Lee Rd., Brighton 48116, is a newly-invited member of the Michigan Sports Sages, a group of men 50 years and older who have devoted at least 25 years to athletics. He is principal at Brighton Middle School and secretary of the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

1980's

JUNE S. COTTRELL, BS '48, MA '66, 530 Coolidge Ave., Kalamazoo 49007, assistant professor of communication arts and sciences at WMU, is the author of a recently released textbook, Teaching With Creative Dramatics.

Pictured here between her two children, Jack Detwiler and Jeanette Rensberger, is NINA (DANIELS) DETWILER, who graduated from Western Normal School in 1906. She now resides at Aurora Park Home, 220 W. Filmore Ave., East Aurora, N. Y. 14052.

The picture was sent us by EDNA (SHUSTER) WOODWARD, TC '21, TA '58, Ri1, Box 27, Ovid 48866, who was encouraged by Mrs. Detwiler to enter Western in 1917.
1950's

STUART ELLENS, BA '50, MA '55, is the new principal of Paw Paw High School.

COL. HOWARD H. SMITH, BA '50, 210 3rd St., APO San Francisco 96653, is vice commander of the US Air Force Pacific Communications Area at Hickam AFB (Hawaii).

W. BRUCE THOMAS, BA '50, Blackburn Rd., Seward Creek, Pa. 15143, is executive vice president of accounting services for the U.S. Steel Corporation in Pittsburgh. He received the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1973. In November he was the featured speaker on a business seminar at WMU.

DR. ROLLAND J. VANNATTUM, BS '50, 181 Hennepin Rd., Grand Island, N.Y. 14072, has been elected the 40th president of the American Speech and Hearing Association. He is professor of communication disorders at State University College at Buffalo (N.Y.).

VIRGINIA A. FORBES, BM '51, 3 Redcliffe Ave., #1-C, Highland Park, N.J. 08904, teaches elementary music in Milltown, N.J. She also sings with the Rutgers University Choir.

GERALDINE (FRENCH) JENNINGS, BM '51, 204 N. Esterly Ave., Whitewater, Wis. 53190, is string instructor and high school orchestra director in the Delavan, Wis., school system. She is also a private cello teacher and guest recitalist and plays in the Waukesha (Wis.) Symphony Orchestra.

FRANK J. RICHARDS, JR., BA '52, 3760 Lake Lane Rd., Bloomfield Hills 48013, president of Matthew Lalewicz, Incorporated, a contracting firm in Center Line, is chairman of the 1976 dinner committee for Orchard Lake Schools Founder's Day.

SUZANNE S. McBRIDE, BS '53, 36843 Thinbark, Wayne 48184, is supervisor at the McGrath Special Education Center.

MARGARET (GASKILL) SHEARER, BM '53, 121 Kishwaukee Ln., Dekalb, Ill. 60115, is a music theory instructor at Kishwaukee College in Malta, Ill.

JAMES M. MANDRELL, BS '54, MA '60, 2018 W. Grand Ave., Kalamazoo 49007, has been named district representative by Third District Congressman Garry E. Brown. He began management of Brown's Kalamazoo office on December 1.

DR. CHARLES E. FARLEY, BM '55, MA '57, 582 N. Cherry, Galesburg, Ill. 61401, is associate professor of music at Knox College.

JOAN (WALKER) HOLCOMB, BM '55, MMus '70, 813 W. Lovell, Apt. 301B, Kalamazoo 49007, is a music teacher at Tower Heights School at the Kalamazoo State Hospital.

DR. PHILIP L. MASON, BM '55, MA '60, Dr. Philip L. Mason, BM '55, 14072, has been elected the 40th president of the American National Bank and Trust Company of Michigan.

THOMAS L. PECK, BBA '55, MBA '64, 3706 Edinburgh, Kalamazoo 49007, has been promoted to senior vice president of the American National Bank and Trust Company of Michigan.

Donnelly '56

DR. JAMES L. STEVENSON, BS '55, 4976 Dusk Dr., Utica 48067, is head of the personnel and labor relations department at Macomb County Community College in Warren.

RONALD D. DEWEY, BS '56, 30319 Ashton Ln., Bay Village, Ohio 44140, is a sculptor and designer in Cleveland. He has been commissioned to do a bronze sculpture of the "Spirit of '76" figure in the famous painting by Archibald Willard by the Greater Cleveland Bicentennial Commission.

CHARLES G. DONNELLY, BA '56, MA '59, 3207 Tattersall, Portage 49081, is associate dean of students at WMU, is the new chairman of Kalamazoo Junior Development, a youth tennis program.

STANLEY J. FLEECE, BBA '56, is the new administrator of South Bend Osteopathic Hospital.

HARRIET E. LAMAN, MA '56, 7755 Coachman's Lane, Jenison 49428, has retired after 34 years in the Godfrey-Lee elementary schools and 39 total years of teaching.

PAUL D. MONTGOMERY, BA '56, MA '60, 604 W. 3rd St., Buchanan 49017, is the new business manager for Buchanan High School.

LOUISE (THOMAS) SCHNEIDER, BA '56, 5715 Block Rd., Frankenmuth 48734, is an art and English teacher at Frankenmuth Middle School.

DR. PHILIP L. STEEN, BM '56, MA '64, 4741 Humboldt Ave. S, Minneapolis, Minn. 55409, is choir director, voice instructor, and humanities instructor at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn.

DOROTHY (COYLE) FENWICK, BS '57, 4605 Lindell Blvd., Park Royal #1201, St. Louis, Mo. 63106, has been appointed acting associate dean of Metropolitan College, the nontraditional, adult education division of St. Louis University.

The above photograph was taken by Mark Jury for his June, 1975, article in "Today's Health" magazine and appears with his permission.
PATRICIA (McKINNEY) HIATT, BS '57, MA '68, 912 Dwillard, Kalamazoo 49001, has been appointed to the Kalamazoo Township Board as a trustee. She is an elementary school teacher in Comstock.

KATHLEEN (DVORAK) NESHEIM, BM '57, 26515 Hawkhurst Dr., Rancho Cardenas, Ontario, has been appointed director of marketing of "Los Cancioneros," a South Bay choral group.

JOAN (BREDAHL) HENDERSON, BS '58, 401 S. George St., Decatur 49045, is Decatur's first woman police officer. She completed basic law enforcement training at Lake Michigan College, Benton Harbor.

JAMES E. MILLER, MA '60, 20 Wildrose Lane, Battle Creek 49017, has won a Master Teacher Award at Lakeview High School. He teaches auto mechanics and machine shop and is director of the night school program.

BRUCE A. BENNETT, BS '61, 224 E. Mill St., Athens 49011, has been appointed executive director of Family and Children's Services of Calhoun County.

JOSEPH G. KLEINHANS, BS '58, is the new director of recreation for the city of Lansing.

EDWARD A. LIVINGSTON, BM '58, 4697 North Walker Ave. NW, Grand Rapids 49504, has elected the first national president of the American Agri-Women, a coalition of farm women from across the nation.

GORDON T. SLEEMAN, BBA '63, 5205 N. 100 St., Omaha, Neb. 68134, is Dean of Graduate Studies and Research and professor of psychology at the University of Nebraska.

ALFRED L. CARDINALI, BS '65, 15232 Wilwood Rd., Rochester 48063, works for General Motors, overseas operations.

LANA (HERALDA) BOURDON, BS '63, 184 Oak St., Holliston, Mass. 01746, has been appointed head teacher at the Dean Junior College Children's Center in Franklin, Mass.

J. ROCK TONKEL, BBA '63, is chief executive officer of West Suburban Hospital in Oak Park, Ill.

DONALD A. N. AULBERT, BS '64, 3201 20650 Ross Parkway, Big Rapids 49307, is a chiropractic physician in Concor.

GEORGE V. JOHNSTON, BS '64, teacher and chairman of the science department of Lakewood High School in Lake Odessa, has been selected as a member of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and appointed to the state advisory council for teacher preparation and professional development.

DR. JOHN P. RADUCHA, BS '65, 2107 W. Bay Shore, Traverse City 49684, is an instructor in Adrian College. He was recently ordained a minister at Chapel Hill Baptist Church in Detroit where his father is pastor. He is also a financial aid administrator at Oakland University in Rochester.
49508, is assistant principal at East Kentwood High School.

HAROLD G. SCHUITMAKER, BS ’65, RN#2, Box 32, Lawton 49068, has been elected president of the Buren County Bar Association. He is with The Adams Law Office PC in Paw Paw.

DAVID E. SMITH, BM ’65, MMus ’71, 3890 Strider St., Whiting, Wyoming 49509, is director of bands in the Deckerville High School.

HAROLD G. SCHUITMAKER, BS ’65, Kentwood High School.

DR. JAMES E. BULTMAN, MA ’66, EdD ’69, 322 W. Osterhout Rd., Porritt School, is serving at Nellis (Nev.) AFB with a tactical air command unit. He is a associate professor of school psychology and scholarly activity.

ANTHONY P. DRABCZYK, BBA ’67, MA ’68, 101, Riverview 48192, is director of college industry relations at Michigan State University, is the new director of SRA-Mawdac.

CHARLES A. MATTILA, MBA ’66, 3621 Northview Dr., Kalamazoo 49007, has been appointed controller of the new CPA firm of Julien, Linden and Marshall in Grand Rapids.

LOREN W. RIDOUTT, BS ’66, 1000 E. Lafayette St., Sturgis 49091, is a physical education instructor at Colorado College.

BRUCE E. VandenBosch, BS ’66, 630 Thunder Bay Rd., Alpena 49707, is the new director of the Alcona County Social Services Department.

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W. MICHAEL GLYNN, BBA ’67, has been named commercial wallcovering product manager for B.F. Goodrich

G. Goodrich General Products Co., Akron, Ohio.

LESLIE K. BATES, BS ’68, MA ’69, 1548 Village Lane, Ypsilanti 48197, is director of the office of minority affairs at Eastern Michigan University.

LAWRENCE A. BUKOWSKI, BA ’68, 30411 Lischt, Gibraltar 48173, is assistant principal at Carlson High School.

GLEN R. COULTRIP, BBA ’68, MBA ’72, 350 Sherrie Lane, Northville 48167, was named "Salesman of the Year" for domestic sales by Oxford Laboratories, Inc., a subsidiary of G.D. Searle & Company.

ROBERT A. GUNKLE, BM ’68, 1715 Spring St., Hastings, Minn. 55033, is a health facility evaluator for the Minnesota Department of Health.

LARRY L. JOHNSON, BS ’68, 1151 Minnesota Department of Health.

CHARLENE (BERENDS) TODD, BS ’68, 562 Myrtle Ave., Holland 49423, is a professional jewelerymaker with a studio in her home.

WILLIAM A. BOOTH, BA., MA., 5597 Seminary Rd., Falls Church, Va. 22041, has been appointed special assistant to the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) in Washington, D.C.

MARY D. BRIGGS, MA ’68, 1715 Cleveland SW, Wyoming 49509, has retired from teaching after 10 years as a reading consultant at Newhall Junior High School.

CAPT. DONALD H. CIucci, BS ’67, is now serving at Nellis (Nev.) AFB with a tactical air command unit. He is a security police officer with pilot rating.

ANTHONY P. DRABCZYK, BBA ’67, MA ’70, 1506 Heathergreen, Bldg. 12, Apt. 101, Riverview 48192, is director of education at Wyandotte General Hospital. He has been awarded a $500 first prize for his entry in the eighteenth annual Search for New Hospital Achievements and Utilization Contest.

EDWARD G. FREMAREK, BS ’67, 17110 Ransom, Holland 49423, is sales manager of nursery stock for Vans Pines, Inc.
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Dr. William R. Brown, November 9, Kalamazoo. Dr. Brown came to Western in 1917 and remained until his retirement in 1956, serving as department head since 1946. Brown Hall was named in his honor in 1968.

Dr. Robert D. Hellenga, November 20, Kalamazoo. Dr. Hellenga was a member of Western's faculty in the educational leadership department since 1963 and also served for several years as director of Placement Services.

Dr. Carroll P. Lahman, January 6, Franklin Grove, Ill. Dr. Lahman was a professor of speech and coached the men's debate team from 1922-40.

Neil L. Schoenhals '40, '50, December 18, Kalamazoo. Schoenhals was director of the Educational Resources Center and a professor of teacher education.

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A VERY QUICK LOOK AT 1975

The Western Michigan University Annual Giving Fund continued its upward climb, achieving new records in total funds collected. The Annual Fund and Development Office reported its best year in raising private funds in its nine year history.

In 1975, our first million dollar year, the total funds amounted to $1,171,650 from all private sources. This is a 23% increase over the $948,000 collected the previous year and almost triple the amount collected five years ago.

There was a slight decrease in the number of alumni donors for the year. However, the total dollar amount contributed by alumni, representing graduating classes dating back to 1908, was a total of $112,041.

On the other hand, the Mike J. Gary Athletic Fund, maintained it steady increase both in numbers of donors and dollars contributed, with a total contribution of $42,001, according to Bill Doolittle, director of this fund.

It was an encouraging year: records were set in the non-alumni, corporate, business and foundation areas as well as the new high total in funds.

“Our success in 1975 was due to the efforts and dedication of all those individuals who contributed their support and continued loyalty to the University. With this same dedication and renewed effort, by telling our story and explaining Western’s needs, I am optimistic that this coming year will be even more successful. We ask for and seek the continued support of all alumni and friends of the University.”

Helen J. Flaspohler

Director of Annual Fund

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Any News?


Untimely Mistake

Daniel G. Nameth is alive and well and living in Grand Rapids . . . despite the fact that we listed him in the In Memoriam section of the October University Magazine. Mr. Nameth, BA ’64, called Fred Hansen, alumni director, after seeing his own obituary notice in the Magazine and good-naturedly informed Fred of his good health and his continuing employment at Lear Siegler Instrument Division. We apologize for our untimely error, and wish Mr. Nameth many good years ahead!