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MAY 2018

In 1984 the Detroit Tigers won the World Series and their tagline for that amazing season was "Bless you Boys". This tagline signified the pride and enjoyment every Tiger fan felt that year. Well let me steal from that 1984 season by extending a "bless you seniors" to all the Computer Science students who participated in the April 17 Engineering Senior Design Conference. I spent the day sitting in room D-202 listening to one Computer Science Engineering project after another and left Elson Floyd Hall with a true sense of pride over what these outstanding Computer Science seniors were able to accomplish. Below is a complete list of the presentations along with the senior students and the sponsors of the projects.

Ticket Management Portal

Parker Loomis, Brennan Muir and Brandon Seager. Sponsored by Midwest Realty Group.

Canine Visual Acuity Testing Apparatus

Alex Ewert, Brandon Grothe, Samuel Lewis and Chandler Miller. Sponsored by AcuiSee.

Habitat for Humanity Ramp Designer

Bishop and Cade Gillem. Sponsored by Battle Creek Area Habitat for Humanity.

WMU Lee Honors College Mobil Application

Benjamin Campbell, Peter Shutt and James Ward. Sponsored by WMU Lee Honors College.

Infrastructure as Code: Host Management Through Software

Justen Pacsai, Jonathan Pennington and Steven Steffey. WMU Department of Computer Science.

Wranglr for Nhanes

Jacob Darling, Apolinar Ortega and Antonion Ruiz. WMU Department of Statistics.

Campus Tours

Nick Pawlawski and Ken Rivard. WMU College of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

Local Business Web Development

Rawan Alfaraj and John Harvey. Samantha Parker.

Haenicke Institute for Global Education Grant Management System

Alan Alvarez-Mares, Samuel Kison and Omar Santana. Haenicke Institute for Global Education.

Daniel Mozel named University Innovation Fellow: If you had a chance this year to visit the student run interdisciplinary Makerspace located on the second floor of the University Computing Center then you probably met Daniel (Dan) Mozel. What you might not know is that Dan, a College of Engineering and Applied Sciences student, was recently named a University Innovation Fellow. If you find your way to the Makerspace (which is moving to the second floor of the library this summer) next fall, be

sure to stop in and ask Dan about his trip to the University Innovation Fellows Silicon Valley Meetup. Way to go Dan! [Read more about WMU Innovation Fellows.](#)



eSports gaming computers in the UCC computer lab: The eSports project is progressing nicely. In support of next fall's grand opening of WMU's first ever eSports arena, the Office of Information Technology has installed eight eSports gaming computers in the University Computing Center's second floor computer lab. If you are interested in helping OIT put these gaming computers through their paces, please speak with [Aaron](#), [Tyler](#) or [Dylan](#). They can fill you in on the gaming opportunities that will be available this summer.



Financial Aid video: Were you aware that the Office of Information Technology offers studio quality video production as a service? In fact, OIT's Media Services group creates, on average, over 200 videos every year. [This video](#) was recently created and designed to help orient students to the financial aid process.

Wi-Fi for WMU guests: WMU Guest is a Wi-Fi service created to provide all students, faculty and staff with a way to quickly grant their campus visitors access to the internet. The service uses a generic username of WMUGuest (case-sensitive) and a password that changes on the first day of each month. The password may be found on the Wi-Fi at WMU portlet in the middle column of [GoWMU](#). WMU Guest is intended for campus visitors only. All WMU students, faculty and staff should use the [WMU Secure](#) Wi-Fi service when they access the internet with their devices. [Learn more about WMU Guest.](#)

Carol Olmstead: Where were you on May 9, 1973? Well I can tell you where current Office of Information Technology employee Carol Olmstead was on that date. She was right here on the campus of Western Michigan University starting her first day on the job as a WMU IT employee. Please join me in congratulating Carol on completing her 45th year as an IT professional at WMU!

InCommon research and scholarship: If you are part of WMU's research community, I would like to encourage you to check out this new IT service that allows you to take advantage of InCommon's federated identity services to more easily connect and share information with fellow researchers across the globe. If you would like to find out more, please contact [Greg Lozeau](#) or [Leonard Peirce](#).

Raise the W: Raise the W is a podcast hosted by Tim Terrentine, WMU alumnus and Vice President of Development and Alumni Relations. Listen to stories of people who help make WMU great, including [Lauren LaLonde's story](#). Lauren is a student in Lee Honors College and daughter of OIT's Associate Director of Enterprise Academic Applications Tim LaLonde.

Did you know? WMU's Central Authentication Service (CAS) login screen has a new look. The announcement box on the right now displays rotating IT security tips. In the event of a major IT security event, such as a widespread phishing attempt, an urgent notice will be displayed in this area. This is one more example of how the Office of Information Technology is trying to keep YOU in the know with respect to technology issues that may impact YOU! Questions about the rotating messages should be directed to [Nancy Kroes](#).