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Opening
HAPPY BIRTHDAY THRESHOLD!
SEVENTY YEARS YOUNG AND DYING?

Welcome, loyal yearbook supporters, to what may be your last Hurray. Western Michigan University's yearbook the THRESHOLD (formerly the BROWN AND GOLD) this year celebrates its seventieth year of publication, (1906 to 1975). Unfortunately, it may be our last.

Western's THRESHOLD appears at this point to be the victim of a severe case of yearbook euthanasia. We are being put out of our misery with what amounts to a pocket veto by the administration. We have been advised not to make any arrangements for any future books until a final decision has been reached upon whether or not the university will allow us to continue at our present level of student support. Meanwhile, the staff has been left in disarray, and plans for next year's book are left out in the cold, which is fatal for a yearbook. When a yearbook staff cannot keep the ball rolling by making plans and preparing for the next edition as soon as one is finished, the rhythm is interrupted, staffers depart for lack of activity and insecurity about the book's future. Soon we will be finished with this book, and when we are gone there will be no one left behind appointed to carry on our task. The administration need do nothing but leave us in limbo, and it will be too late for THRESHOLD 1976, and much easier to forget us all together.

And what a year for Western to try being without a yearbook. The one year in a century that history is one of the paramount concerns of the nation, when everyone will be experiencing their lives and country in the special light of its bicentennial celebration. And Western will lose it. Oh, they'll experience it. It'll be a wonderful year for all involved, with memorable events filling every calendar. And when its over, it will be just that; over, and we won't be here to bring it back for you. I can't think of a
better year to go; except maybe last year. Our book was prettier in 1974. Looking like a deck of cards, with the joker on the cover, it would have been immensely appropriate for a final book, but not very funny.

But, in a way, I suppose we brought all this on ourselves. The THRESHOLD has been caught up for several years now in the crunch of opposing forces: decreasing financial backing on the one hand, and an upward careening spiral of production costs on the other. This year it all caught up with us. Our accumulated deficit was indeed phenomenal, amounting to nearly forty thousand dollars at one point, and that, as any good businessman knows, is bad business.

And if our administration here at Western is full of anything, it is full of good businessmen. They know a bottomless pit when they see one, and, in a way, that’s what we are. One yearbook covers only that, one year. Each year is a wholly new production, with new beginnings, new endings, and a year to capture all to itself. Each year means expenses of between thirty-five and forty thousand dollars, and that’s with a cut down version of the book from its heydays in the late sixties. Yet, after all the hours of work, meeting deadlines, hounding staffers, and chasing down as many groups and individuals around the campus as possible, we still aren’t doing well enough. We don’t make enough money to support ourselves, and herein lies the problem.

Put simply, we don’t sell enough books to make ours a money making operation. Never mind that the University of Michigan sells fewer books than we do, to a student population nearly twice our own. Never mind that we sell the second largest number of college yearbooks in the state of Michigan, second only to the sprawling campus of Michigan State University. Never mind that WMU’s THRESHOLD has been a consistent award winner in yearbook annual competition. Never mind that in the last five years we have cut production costs from a high of nearly fifty thousand dollars in 1971, to thirty-five thousand this year, and this in the face of ever rising paper
and publication costs. Never mind that in 1975, the year of tight money all across America, the THRESHOLD made more actual dollars from sales than in any previous year. Never mind that the Greeks and organizations on campus are making a comeback from the same slump we were in, and that their participation in this year’s book increased significantly over last year. Never mind that our sales were up forty percent over 1974, and that the number of seniors getting their picture taken for the book was up nearly thirty-five percent over last year; the highest number since 1968. Never mind that for the last four years the Western Herald, WIDR, and the THRESHOLD have been the recipients of a three way split of the university’s General Fund, and that out of its one hundred and five thousand dollar budget, the highest amount paid out to THRESHOLD for any one year, was slightly above six thousand dollars. Never mind that though Western’s administration complains that we do not serve enough of the campus community to warrant further funding, that the THRESHOLD sells to a higher percentage of its student population than any other state supported university in Michigan, and that with a paid business staff of two supplemented by three secretaries!

But never mind all these never minds. Money’s tight; and when the purse strings are shortened funny things happen, belts are tightened, people are laid off, and luxuries are trimmed. Apparently we’re considered a luxury, a frill, something kind of cute, and nice to keep around in order to humor those few people that are dedicated, interested, and concerned with leaving a living record of Western Michigan University for any who care to relive it in the future. But that’s just so long as the bucks are floating easy. When the going gets tough, the tough get going, and, brother, if you don’t make a profit, at least return enough to balance the budget, you’re not tough, you’re not even worth the paper you’re written on, nor the effort that hundreds of people have put into carving a book out of the bricks and stone, flesh and blood, that make up this university.

I wonder when the last time was that the Board of Trustees made a profit. But, then, perhaps they do. If they can charge ten bucks for a one page diploma that is supposed to
symbolize at least four years of a student's life, that's not too bad. In the last four years any student could have purchased four yearbooks, totalling thirteen hundred and ninety-two pages, for less than twenty dollars. Somewhere we missed the boat, we haven't been ripping people off enough. We tried to give each student as much of their university experience back to them as we could, for as little as we could. Obviously, a silly idea.

We, as a staff, realize that we have been taking from the university more than we have been paying back, and we also realize that we have been giving out more to students than they have been paying back. We agree that both situations should be corrected. We as an organization must do everything in our power to increase the financial sufficiency of Western's yearbook. We feel our sales increases and an upsurge in group participation in the book have more than started us in that direction. We do not feel that the THRESHOLD deserves to die an early death because suddenly money is tight elsewhere, nor have to lose its hard earned momentum because people want to see if it will come back to life once they kill it.

Granted, our product has limited commercial appeal in a market that experiences a tighter money situation than many of the unemployed citizens of this country; students. But grant us in return that ours is a unique product, a unique media; one designed for the future, not today; one that retains better picture quality than a television and sifts down and summarizes the events that takes three hundred and sixty-five newspapers a year; one that gains worth steadily as the years go by instead of depreciating into nothingness; one that captures something that no one can ever hope to regain, one that no person can ever hope to reproduce once a single experience has occurred and faded into the past unrecorded.

A yearbook is indeed a strange commodity. It defies economic realities, and, therefore, often creates financial confusion and distortions. But it does provide a service, one both unique and denied of second chances, and one that over two thousand people on this campus this year alone felt necessary, lasting, and worthwhile enough to invest in. It is for these people, and any others that may come to appreciate
A Unique Media Denied Of Second Chances

WMU’s yearbooks in the future, that we of the THRESHOLD staff express the belief that Western should NOT now abandon the instrument that has so effectively preserved its past out of temporary and correctable financial concerns. Nor do we feel Western can afford to forget, and therefore relegate to instant extinction, the future of a Western Michigan University that is still becoming.

We only hope that by the time this book is printed and released on Western’s campus that future THRESHOLDS are not part of the irrecoverable past that now threatens us all.
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Summer — Fun Times, New Friends, Quiet Trees And Warm Grass
I love it. I love being here in the summer. I always thought that going to school in the summer would be a drag, but it's not. If you've never gone to summer term at W.M.U., you're probably thinking "she's a fool" and maybe you're right.

There are a few things, however, that you should know in order to have the best time possible. First of all, take a light class load. There's nothing worse than being cooped up inside Sangren Hall on a terrific summer day. It's pretty hard to keep your mind on your class when you really want to be on the tennis courts or at Lake Michigan, or on your ten speed. Secondly, if you are allowed to, live off campus. It's a great way to try out new roommates for the fall and to meet a group of people that are sure to become your close friends. Believe it or not, you can meet a whole lot of new people during summer term. Admittedly, there aren't too many people on campus, but
those who are here are friendly and looking for parties and things to do. There is not much to do on campus since only one dorm is open, but the campus isn't really as dead as it seems. True, there's only two to three thousand people here, but there is a lot of activity going on that you may not notice. The dorms are getting face lifts with new paint jobs and carpeting. The ever changing streets on campus are filled with road blocks and construction crews are busy trying to get the new bypass behind Sangren complete before twenty thousand students descend on the campus to tie everything up.

It's always fun to see the new freshmen here for orientation. It seems like it was just last year when I went through the same ordeal, but it was three and a half years ago. The feeling of being lost or wondering if you'll ever find your place in this madhouse they call Western Michigan University keeps running through your mind.

The greatest part of summer term is the relaxed atmosphere that is seen everywhere. The profs leave their ties at home, cut-offs are the prevalent student attire, and outside parties are the norm. But most important, there's time for just laying in the grass.

— Lisa Widrig
Freshman Orientation — I Didn’t Know The Difference Between The Health Center...
I am one of the 2,886 people who all seemed to be in the same position. Freshmen. Only I fooled them. Today was the first day of orientation. I feel like a big kid now! I made everybody think I was older than I really am. My sister's ID card from last year was all I needed. After all, she kind of looks like me. My group all thought I was their student leader. I thought about it for awhile and I couldn’t figure out how I could give a tour of WMU when I didn’t know the difference between the health center and the administration building. Finally, I had to tell them that I really wasn’t their leader. I didn’t want to get my fellow freshmen anymore mixed up than we already were.

Tonight we’re supposed to go see a set of slide shows and skits put on by the student leaders. After that who knows. We have free time to do whatever we want. No time limit!! NO PARENTS!!

I feel sorry for all those people heading for a hard night because they’ll also have a hard time tomorrow. Placement tests, financial interviews, and minority student meetings are planned. Furthermore, catalogs and schedules are to be handed out. This is what everyone is waiting for. What a pain! After that, a general education meeting is planned to help us newcomers to check out some of the many classes Western has to offer. As if we really cared. Right!? I think school is the farthest thing from our minds. What else are we gonna do? Oh yes. A tour beginning with the academic department displays comes next. Then, come some of the main buildings on campus. How I’ll ever, ever find my way around I’ll never know.

The last day we’re supposed to sign up for classes. YUK! The good part of it is we’re going to get our mug shots taken for ID’s, so I’ll have my very own. I won’t have to pretend anymore. I’ll be a big college kid.

— Vicki Bailey
The silence is deafening at soccer games, as the only sounds heard by the players is the noise they made themselves, as it echoes off the empty seats in Waldo Stadium. No one is there to cheer on the weary runners of the cross country team, nor are there very many urging the girl's field hockey or volleyball teams on. Only basketball in Read Fieldhouse, football in Waldo Stadium, and ice hockey in the new Recreation Building draw close to a full house.

WMU has eleven different facilities for varsity and intramural sports, all of which are in excellent condition for participants and spectators alike. Two new ones were added this year alone. The Recreation Building encompasses the Harry W. Lawson Ice Arena and the Edward A. Gabel Natatorium and Kanley Track, a nine lane, quarter mile, all weather, outdoor track and site of the 1975 MAC track championships.

Kanley Track, completed this fall, replacing the old track torn out at Waldo Stadium, during the addition of more seating there, brings outdoor track meets back to Western after a one year absence. Besides the running surface it has rings for shot put, discus, and hammer throw, and pits for high jumping and pole vaulting. Upon completion it will seat twenty-five hundred fans to send Western through its home season.

The ice arena named after WMU's first hockey coach has a two hundred foot by eighty-five foot plexi-glassed enclosed ice surface and room for forty-five hundred screaming hockey fans.

The Natatorium named for WMU's first swimming coach, has a one hundred twenty foot pool with a movable bulkhead for separating the diving from the swimmers. It has two one-meter boards and one three-meter board and seven hundred fifty aluminum backed seats for the pleasure of the hardy fans. The pool is built to university standards and is a high class pool, capable of holding any type of swimming event whether intramural meets or championship meets for league.
The other facilities at WMU are in good condition and have room for good sized crowds, yet are not used to their fullest extent. Read Fieldhouse with seating for eighty-nine hundred is the only building that comes close to filling for basketball games and nothing else. Oakland Gym, where many of the women's athletic sports events are held has never seen enough people to create more noise than the team itself as they go on to victory.

It is questioned why, with such limited spectator interest, the athletic department gets new facilities before the hard pressed College of Fine Arts for example, which is the fastest growing yet, least equipped on campus. One answer is that the three athletic improvements (Recreation Building, Kanley Track, improvements on Waldo Stadium) were for the three strongest sports on campus, track, football, and hockey. Because of the basically unused seating added to Waldo Stadium the old track was torn out and then of course needed replacing. The hockey team supposedly needed a closer and better place to play than the Kalamazoo Ice Arena. Another answer was that these additions were planned before the College of Fine Arts was even started (1972) and therefore had been planned and financed before its establishment. The last reason given was that the athletic department is self-supporting and basketball, football and hockey draw enough to keep it that way and one way to do it is to give them facilities in order to keep the money rolling in.

All in all Western's athletic facilities are in fine shape. Only the sports themselves in most instances are lacking in support from the students and if enough publicity is given to these sports possibly they too will generate most interest and garner more of the headlines. The other facilities are used as follows: Gary Center, men's physical education, intramurals; Oakland Field, women's field hockey, women's physical education; Haymes Field, baseball; Goldsworth Field, soccer; and the I.M. Fields. All outdoor intramural sports are frequently used by Western's Athletic Department, both varsity and intramural level and all of them deserve the support of Western's students.
The annual spring football pair-off between the first and second string varsity teams ended spring training on the normal optimistic note. The scrimmage left most spectators with a favorable outlook for the coming season as both the first string offense and defense consistently, if not spectacularly, picked their counterparts into manageable mouthfuls. As in the past rushing plays formed the vast majority of the team's repertoire, with passing relegated to a secondary (no pun intended) role. Predictably the starters looked good against a group of primarily sophomores and freshmen, but the questions in every fan's mind dealt with how they would fare against some of the powers of the MAC.
WMU Finances — Stretching Dollars

The state of our nation's economy worsens each week. Inflation and recession have effected everyone and everything. Money is in greater supply than ever, but spiraling costs daily reduce the value of each dollar. Western Michigan University is no exception when it comes to feeling this financial crunch. Revenues from the state, students, and other sources, are higher than ever, yet the money is buying less and paying fewer salaries as rising expenses outdistance plateauing revenues. All of this places Western in the position of needing to raise more money from the state and other sources even as these funds are dwindling and making it nearly impossible to maintain its hard earned and consistently above average services to its students, staff, and community during these hard pressed times.

The university receives revenues from the state, students, and a few other miscellaneous sources amounting to close to sixty million dollars a year. The state contributes over half of this sum but has been forced into budgetary cutbacks due to the loss of the state's sales tax on food and drugs and unexpected drops in the state income tax because of the country's economic slump. Since Michigan's constitution does not allow deficit spending the state has had to cut back on money previously expected to be appropriated to the state schools, as well as withdrawing funds appropriated for expansion or new facilities but not yet spent. This automatically sets Western's proposed Fine Arts buildings and new College of Business out in the cold. About a quarter of WMU's revenues come from the students in the form of tuition and dorm fees, and this percentage is considered nearly optimum. Asking for more money from an already inflation riddled and employment hungry student body would put such a hardship on many students that it would force more out of school, therefore causing the opposite of its desired effect.

Western spends over sixty percent of its budget on faculty salaries. The operation and maintenance of the campus, including the upkeep of buildings and the payment of staff salaries eat up another twenty percent. Expenses in the category of Auxiliary Activities cover the maintenance of the dorms and athletic facilities, support of the Athletic Department, and financial backing for the University Police Department. Student aid annually amounts to over three million dollars in the form of scholarships, loans and employment for students qualified for such funds. The Student Services area of the university has a yearly budget in excess of two million dollars to support the different campus organizations as well as instituting many of its own services, programs and activities. The General Fund feeds money into the three campus media organizations WIDR, Herald and Threshold. All the other organizations request funds through the Student Budget and Allocations Committee that distributes the monies collected through student assessments. All of these various drains on Wes-
tern's finances are experiencing daily rises in expenses, but without a similar rise in their corresponding revenue categories.

WMU's administration is faced with a need to either cutback in expenses, and thus services, or to make up additional revenue. Making additional revenue can not be easily accomplished in today's tight money market, so the university is forced to reappraise their priorities and determine where cutbacks can occur without hindering Western's ability to teach its students; obviously its primary purpose.

Western is already rated as one of the lowest salaried schools in the state when it comes to faculty. Even so the outlook for significant raises is at best doubtful since the university cannot afford salary increases at a time when its own budget is being curtailed. This dilemma alone may force some faculty members to migrate to higher paying institutions. Cuts in the Auxilliary Activities budget are next to impossible with maintenance costs rising and the University committed to improving its athletic facilities and police department. Student Aid will be more needed than ever. Student Services will, however, suffer some cuts in the General Fund. But such cuts will not be of the magnitude expected in the academic areas of the university where President Bernhard has already ordered a hiring freeze for the university, precluding replacing anyone who decides to leave the employment of Western. The number and variety of classes will be the most noticeable cutback as larger more crowded classes become the norm. This will help to both cut the cost per capita of classes and also make up for any instructors who fail to be replaced due the freeze.

The only making up of revenue will be a small raise in dorm rates and an increase in out of state tuition. The rise in tuition is necessary because the state now demands that state supported schools pay for seventy-five percent of the cost of a non-residents education, and the increased dorm rates will to a great extent reflect rising food costs.

Everyone is caught up in the same double edged problem. First it was simply a problem of rising costs, now the added burden of stringent revenues has served to multiply the difficulties. Faculty members are living with rising prices and little hope of early, significant raises. Students are finding themselves caught between paying more for their education while enjoying less opportunity to find employment in order to gain an income. The administration too is caught in the middle of trying to maintain an acceptable level of services while suffering a substantial loss in net revenues.

The combined effects of recession and inflation have forced Western into decisive action. The result will be cutbacks in nearly all fields of service that the university offers and increased efforts to raise revenues merely to offset inflationary losses. These changes will undoubtedly detract from Western's ability to serve both its students and the society it trains them for, but if it continues to display the fiscal awareness and sensible management that it has in the past, WMU should survive relatively unscathed its worst financial difficulties since becoming a University.
Damn car! I knew I should've never bought a foreign car. Maybe it's only a loose distributor wire. Hmmm... I wonder where the distributor wires are. Maybe the battery's dry. No, that's not it. I know! It's probably out of gas. Hell, I can't even get it to turn over. It sure is dark out here. I wish I was on a main road. I'm going to get the hell out of here. Maybe I should register for an auto tech class.

When someone says College of Applied Sciences to you, what do you think of? These and many more areas of study should come to mind: Agriculture, Military Science, Food Distribution, Aviation, Engineering and Technology, Home Economics and many more.

Students in the College of Applied Sciences learn more than just theory. They get actual training that prepares them to step out of the classroom into a job. Almost every student graduating from the College of Applied Sciences finds a position immediately. Even teachers coming out of the College have relative ease in finding jobs; much easier than instructors in other areas.

The College of Applied Sciences does work on a strict University budget but outside help from concerned businesses is accepted by the
College. Through a trade of information with businesses, the College can learn what new ideas or techniques should be emphasized.

The Agricultural programs offer challenging involvement to students who want to study about the production of agriculture products, how our economy is affected by agriculture, and the teaching of agriculture in secondary schools.

The courses of Engineering and Technology provide laboratory experience requiring the application of engineering principles.

Distributive Education takes into account more than just food distribution. There is also a program of Petroleum Distribution.

The Paper Science and Engineering Department is considered as one of the best and most prestigious in the entire United States.

The programs of Transportation Technology provide students with appropriate training to assume positions in industries related to

A Helping Hand

The Occupational Therapy department here, at Western, claims the third oldest curriculum in existence.

Currently, there are two hundred and five students seeking an undergraduate degree and thirty-six more students who are engaged in the master’s program. As part of the course requirements, occupational therapy students have to take part in two, three-month affiliations.

The occupational therapy department’s major role is to treat chronic and acute disabilities and they accomplish this by engaging the person in his own treatment. Screening the patient, working with the parents, providing remediation activities, and teaching day-to-day survival skills, fosters independence in the person and helps minimize the pain for the family.

The health related professions are becoming more pertinent today as society finds a way to include all its members. The O.T. department at Western is making a meaningful contribution by alleviating the affects of illness and making a disadvantaged individual a more productive member of our society.
transportation.

The Industrial Education Department offers students a background in industrial orientated subjects. The Department prepares teachers and supervisors of general industrial arts and teachers of vocational subjects in high school and community colleges.

Manufacturing, product development, energy conversion and construction are fields emphasized in the Mechanical Engineering Technology Department.

The College of Applied Sciences encompasses many areas of study. Some of its departments are considered to be among the best in the United States. The College of Applied Sciences here at Western Michigan University is preparing graduates for the future; not only their personal future, but also the world's future.
What The Hell Have I Gotten Myself Into?! 

Chemistry! What in the hell have I gotten myself into? Here I am a Communications major and I'm up to my butt in test tubes. I was tricked. The catalog said I had to take "one of the following" or "any two from this group" and/or "any combination of the preceding two groups." I'm confused. Let's see what the lab manual says. Hmm. Potassium chloride. Sulfuric Acid. Iron filings? I'll never make it. Even my own lab partner won't work with me. I knew I should have taken Geography. I know about rocks and mountains. I've got it! I'll drop the class. Oh, I forgot. The last day of drops was Friday. Hmm. Where is that lab manual?

The largest of all the colleges at Western Michigan University is the College of Arts and Sciences. The
Averting Ecological Disaster

Located on a farm just north of Bangor is the School of Homesteading. Dr. Maynard Kaufman, Associate Professor of Religion at WMU, and his wife, Sally, supervise the school which Dr. Kaufman started nearly two years ago as an alternative to urban life and the strains it imposes on the economic system.

In the past few years, Dr. Kaufman, his family, and students have lived, worked, and learned the art of subsistence farming. By designing and constructing their own methane generator, preserving their own food, and making cheese and bread, the School of Homesteading has proven to be self-sufficient.

The farm is envisioned as a starting point for learning the skills of a lifestyle deemed necessary if man hopes to avert an ecological disaster.

college consists of twenty separate departments, the two largest being English and Communications Arts and Sciences. It covers many different areas of study; all the way from Speech Pathology to Economics.

The College of Arts and Sciences seeks to introduce their students to specializations in the various disciplines. Another of their main goals is to provide graduates who contribute to the professional training of other colleges.

There are many students who are not in the college proper but take classes that come under the Arts and Sciences Departments. Many Teacher Education majors take courses that are controlled by the college; usually in the English or Communications departments. Many other curriculums require credit hours from the Biology, Geography, or one of the other Science Departments. Also all foreign languages come under the College of Arts and Sciences.

The Dean of the college, Dr. Cornelius Loew, is aware that many students come out of the college not fully aware of what they want. They haven’t decided what career to pursue or how to go about getting started in their chosen career. In the past the responsibility for career planning and placement was left up to Western’s Placement Office.

First of all, the college is geared toward providing the students with a wide variety of courses so they can branch off into many different areas after graduation. With this type program the student is not trained for a specific skill. They’re more prepared for an area of work instead of a certain job.

The college, led by Al Furbay, a faculty member is now in the progress of accumulating materials relevant to career planning. Furbay has contact with professional placement centers and through them he can...
Student Career Assistance

obtain information that can help the student decide on a career. Hopefully the materials will be condensed onto taped cassette cartridges. The program is expected to be ready for the Fall Semester 1975. The College of Arts and Science hopes that the Career Planning assistance will instill faith in the college and its overall programs with their students. Career Planning is an addition to the college that should be an improvement and will help the students.

It's the largest and probably the most diversified of all the colleges at Western Michigan University. Look into it sometime. You might be surprised.
Study, study, study. Who would have thought there was so much to do to become a retailer. Classes are okay and partying isn't bad either, but I sure would like to get out into the business world with a job, my own apartment and a chance to put all this studying to work. Just think - I could be a business executive one day soon and enjoy all the freedom of someone who knows what they are doing and getting that job done well. Just one more semester ... Good-bye studying, hello world!

The College of Business, offering one of the best business programs in the state, is the eighteenth largest business school in the United States and is held in high national regard. The undergraduate program is accredited by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business and the attainment of graduate accreditation is foreseeable in the near future.

There are five academic departments in the college: Accountancy, Business Education and Administrative Services, General Business, Management and Marketing. There are seventy-two full-time faculty members teaching in these depart-
ments of which forty-three possess earned doctorates. Although the faculty-student ratio is high, the faculty does an efficient job in teaching by effectively communicating the material across to the students as well as counseling their students about courses and future jobs.

Society has gravitated to business-related careers, and the local Kalamazoo businessmen have helped the College of Business in placing their students in internship programs. The students are given responsible positions in which they are an active participant in the running of the business. The positions are temporary, yet often, the internships become permanent positions because the company is pleased with the work done by the student; so upon graduation, the student has a full-time job. Being in such a program has helped students get "real-life" experience in business, another one of the College of Business' highly advanced programs.

A student can earn a Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, or Bachelor of Business Administration in the College of Business. Two graduate degrees are also offered: The Degree of Master of Science in Business Administration, which allows heavy specialization in a functional discipline, and the Master of Science in Accountancy, which gives a broad preparation for Business. There is also the Specialist of Arts in Business Education, which is designed to educate teachers for community colleges.

The college is headed by a new dean, Dr. Darrell G. Jones, who succeeded the retiring Dr. Arnold Schneider. Since becoming dean, Dr. Jones has helped establish an active Alumni Association, Business Advisory Councils, the Black Business Stu-
Dr. Jay Lindquist, presently a member of the marketing staff in the College of Business, has become an important part of the staff since joining it in the fall of 1973. A Graduate of the United States Naval Academy with a Masters in Aeronautics and Astronautics, and from the University of Michigan with a Masters in Business Administration, plus a PhD in Business Administration, he has involved himself in various activities ranging from the Air National Guard and American Marketing Association to publishing his own materials. In his short tenure at WMU, Dr. Lindquist has become involved with re-doing the Marketing Research courses, working as chairman of the Metric Committee within the College of Business, as well as aiding in the updating of the Masters in Marketing Program and teaching a full load of classes. These activities and others all contributed to Dr. Lindquist's remarkable ascent to the forefront of the Business faculty when he received the Teaching Excellence Award for 1974.

One of the most impressive facts about the college is the high quality of the students who graduate from it. Those who take the Certified Public Accountancy test score among the highest of all participants and graduates of WMU's College of Business are recruited by all the largest companies in the area. Over six thousand WMU business alumnae are employed within a fifty mile radius of Kalamazoo which illustrates how well the College of Business has succeeded in providing a sound, professional education for its students.

The major concerns of these organizations as well as the college is student selection, placement and success in society; other than supplementing the present organization of the College of Business and updating the programs already offered. There are no new needs at this time, except for a new facility, which has been talked about for four years. A West Campus site will be chosen for the building, but at the rate inflation is going, the cost will triple the original cost discussed when the building was first proposed.
A Serious Handicap?

Blindness has always been considered a serious handicap in the past, but programs such as the one here at Western Michigan University are beginning to destroy that stereotype.

There are two basic curriculums in this field offered at WMU. The first deals with orientation and mobility, the second concerns teaching blind rehabilitation.

Recent activities relate to experimenting and field testing the use of binaural ultrasonic sensors as travel aids for blind persons.

The Western graduate program for rehabilitation teachers is unique in that it continues to be the only one of its kind in the world. At the present time there are 10 universities offering orientation and mobility programs, eight of which are under the leadership of WMU graduates. The significant research and training being done at Western may some day find a way to totally overcome the obstacle of blindness in today's world.
tact with at least one of the eight departments under the college's supervision: teacher education — both elementary and secondary, men's and women's physical education, directed teaching, blind rehabilitation, which is a master's curriculum, counseling personnel, educational leadership, and special education, all of which offer a doctorate degree.

The College of Education consists of over two-hundred twenty faculty members, headed by the dean, Dr. John E. Sandberg. This staff can guide students into the curriculum and necessary classes that will fulfill the student's individual objectives and degree requirements. By calling on past experience, intimate knowledge of new trends in the educational field and the research being done, and innovative ideas, it is easy to see why Western has kept up the tradition of being a superior teacher's college.

Over half of the student population enrolled in Western Michigan University courses are listed under
Today’s College of Education graduates, with a B.A. teaching degree, discover that they have landed in a stiff, competitive buyer's market, where in some fields jobs may be practically nonexistent. Nevertheless, there are many jobs open to those who are willing to explore new fields and new places. Education fields such as blind rehabilitation, counseling, and special education can use well-trained teachers. Underprivileged areas such as Appalachia and the Southwest have many openings. And there is always the exciting possibility of teaching abroad under such programs as Action and the Peace Corps. As long as there are children to teach, teachers will be needed to share their knowledge.

Western's College of Education's goal is to produce qualified, responsible teachers. Through certain classes such as 250 Human Development and Learning and 322 Teaching of Reading, the apprentice undergraduate learns fundamental basics which will help him no matter what field of specialization he's in. And, in the all-important senior year, comes the semester of directed teaching, where a student can have a foretaste of what lies in store for him. Western has a very active directed teaching system which enables the student to have a wide variety of places to choose from when he does his directed teaching.

Education is a series of one learning experience after another. WMU's College of Education tries to keep the thirst for knowledge insatiable, molding a teacher into a responsible student of life.
I sit in front of a piece of blank, white canvas, and all the materials I’ll need to create a great work of art. I’ve spent the last of my small fortune on the supposedly inexpensive supplies. Ideas are supposed to be rushing into my head, since I’m an art major, but I have to think about my grade, which is what really determines whether I am a success or failure. My artistic inclinations really don’t matter as yet. I’m not supposed to know enough about what I’m doing to know what I’m doing. For now I have to reflect someone else’s ideas. That’s the tough part. But, with any luck, if I sit here long enough something will pop up, it always does.

In 1972 the Fine Arts College was the first of its kind developed in Michigan, and continues to be one of the fastest growing colleges at Western Michigan University. In the fall
"Dance is a way of harmonizing professional life with the Spiritual life," says Miss Loretta McCray, recipient of the Teaching Excellence Award. Miss McCray’s objective in teaching her dance classes is to help the student discover joy in motion. She believes this is best achieved as each individual develops confidence in one’s own movements. The department itself encourages non-dancers to find some appreciation in the art.

Miss McCray received her initial education at Western though during the summer she was involved in dance programs not affiliated with the University. She has few opportunities to perform, but has on occasion for “New Structures in Sound.”

Throughout her experience as student and teacher at Western, Miss McCray has seen the rapid development of the dance department and anticipates a promising future.
of 1974, for example over one-hundred applicants were turned away from the music department, not because of their lack of talent, but a shortage of facilities and faculty members. The visual arts are more fortunate, in that all the students who enrolled were accepted. All three departments offer many of the best faculty members in the state.

The original concept of the plaza containing Miller Auditorium, Shaw Theatre and Brown Hall had envisioned facilities for the visual and performing arts to complete the special concept. New facilities are becoming increasingly critical, as the department now works out of 28 buildings, located on or near campus. The widespread location creates a communication problem between department heads, faculty, and students.

The College also plays an important role in developing the cultural enjoyment of students, and other various members of the community. The quality of dance programs, art exhibits, and concerts have noticeably improved in the past few years. The trend appears certain to continue as the College’s fine faculty and facilities remain as one of the strongest drawing cards for new and talented students.

Society is becoming more sensitive to the strength, quality, and sophistication the arts have to offer. The Fine Arts College is unique in that it gives the student a chance to produce, in a work of art, a feeling or emotion as an individual. The variations of creativity are apparent to each student as he or she works to discover both themselves and their fellow students.
General Studies! What a dilemma! I never knew there was this much involved in going to college. I don't even know what my major requires — this catalog is a bitch to understand. Then there's all this general required something or other. How do I know what I want to take? Videotapes on this, lectures on that. Damn! I wish I had gone through all this before! College used to be so easy.

The College of General Studies, one of the newest Colleges on campus, was established in 1970. The purpose of the College is to help students fulfill the general education requirement necessary for graduation. It is a non-degree granting college which provides interdisciplinary subject matter; introductory as well as advanced courses in every subject. Few universities in the country synthesize knowledge in the way Western does with a College of General Studies. The College relates all aspects of knowledge to the sociological area to help interrelate the courses with today's society as well as attempting to relate different courses. This synthesis was undertaken to help students interpret the world around them and many if not all of the pertinent problems it may present to them. All the knowledge is based on subject matters that are virtually unknown to students before entering the College of General Studies and such introduction often
After a two year trial period WMU no longer sponsors the World Explorations Program. Born in the fall of 1973 in cooperation with the American Institute for Exploration, it was designed to acquaint students with the drama of discovery occurring at today's frontiers of knowledge. But it did more than that. Not only did it acquaint many students with exploring through field trips and expeditions such as the one program coordinator, Dr. Ted Bank led to Alaska’s Bering Sea each summer, but it also gave them opportunities to learn by doing and to experience not only the outside world of experience but about themselves as well.

Yet, the program is no more. Shortages of funds and low enrollments proved to be fatal for Western's World Exploration Program, and once again a worthwhile form of alternative education had to be abandoned here at WMU.
Synthesizing Diverse Requirements helps an undecided student develop interest in new areas. The College is often attacked, however, by undergraduates because of its methods of synthesization. Undergraduates today desire vocational training in order to obtain a job in the future.

The College serves all students regardless of their majors or minors. Seventy-three percent of the seventy faculty members hold doctoral degrees in more than one subject, so the college is able to provide an extensive enough program that it incorporates many major and minor courses within it.

The faculty is constantly trying to improve the interrelation of subject matter. The College is thus able to provide students with a depth of specific knowledge, while providing each individual with material broad enough to cover any subject matter area.

It is generally agreed that upon graduation, student of W.M.U. should hold knowledge in a specific area and at the same time be able to relate their knowledge with the world around them, based on their own value structure. The College of General Studies is trying to provide such a chance for individuals at W.M.U., thus enabling each student a better chance at handling life in the future.
A College Without Courses, Students, Or Faculty?

Where can you find a college without courses, students, or faculty? Right here on the campus of Western Michigan University. The name it goes by is the Graduate College. The college hires no faculty — that is left up to the individual departments. It offers no courses, just seminars.

Once a person is admitted into the grad college, he enters into the department of his choice and becomes a student of that college until he has completed his graduate requirements.

The grad college came into existence in 1939. Its programs were first offered in cooperation with the University of Michigan. These co-op programs continued until 1952, when WMU was able to break away and grant its own Masters degree in Education. In 1960, WMU became authorized to have programs leading to Specialist degrees and in 1966 to Doctor degrees in the fields of liberal arts and education. During this time, the programs weren't the only part of the graduate college that was growing — its size was too. In 1952, it boasted three hundred students and today, it has approximately forty-two hundred people enrolled.

The main purpose of the Grad College is to admit students into graduate work to obtain their Masters, Specialists, or Doctorate degrees. It also makes and keeps relationships with federal and professional agencies. These relationships are important because they enable WMU to place students into companies for research and experience needs much easier. It also allows the University to keep up with the ever new developments that are occurring across the nation.

Masters, Specialist and Doctorate degrees are important because they train their students for speciality, while a Bachelors degree only trains its students for discipline. So what good are these other degrees for you? The answer is basically easy: better chance for advancement and better pay. And who's ever been known to turn down an offer for more money?
Times Sure Are Changin'

Times sure are changin', and WMU is moving right along with them. One of the more recent developments at Western has been the option in many graduate programs for the students not to write a thesis paper. The most recent entrant into this option is for a masters degree in Biology. For now, the thesis paper is optional, but for the future, the biology department is planning an unusual twist that no other optional program offers. This twist would be to get the student to have published a manuscript in an accepted journal. A student would still have to go through conducting and presenting research results but it would prove more beneficial to the student than a thesis paper. This method would also get more information published that should be and help build up WMU's reputation. Though this concept is still in its planning stages, its future looks bright and would definitely take away much the grad student must now go through in order to obtain his degree.
The Honors College makes it possible for exceptional students to engage in all the resources W.M.U. has to offer. It allows the student to have a better working relationship with the faculty, and opens up opportunities that would otherwise be out of reach. It also offers an alternate, more flexible way of completing the requirements set by the University. There are several programs to choose from, including Independent Study, Honors Seminar, and as an alternative to the General Studies required for all W.M.U. students is the General Education Honors Program.

Alternatives is the name of the game for the Honors College as it fulfills its role as a catalyst in W.M.U.'s academic endeavors.

A Second Profession...

The Department of Military Science offers an entire academic curriculum to all students at Western. It has grown from processing just over fifty cadets last year to seventy-six. The Department has also changed its credit system from one hour per two hours of class and field exercises to an hour's credit for an hour's work. The department has now begun to offer a minor in Military Science for non-cadet students. All of the courses of the department are open to all students of Western.

Scholarships offered by the department have a two or four year plan offering complete payment of tuition, room and board and books for the two or four years in school with junior and senior years paying a hundred dollars a month with a second lieutenant ranking in the U.S. Army and only two years commitment with the Army. There are no obligations until the junior year with the option of leaving anytime before.

The department is on the rise because it offers a second profession once out of school that a student can always come back to once the two years of obligation are up. Understandably, since the end of America's direct involvement in any direct military engagements, the department of Military Science has been on the rise at Western Michigan University.
Libraries And Student Unions

Need a book, supplies, or just a meeting place? If so, the union is the direction to head because it offers a wide variety of services to fill students individual needs. The main lounge serves as a study area that usually proves to be quite active. There's a candy store in the basement for filling your sweet tooth and a bookstore above stuffed with everything from sweat-shirts to ten cent pencil sharpeners. There are two other unions, besides the one at the Student Center, which serve the same purpose, but on a much smaller scale. The oldest of these is Walwood Union located on East Campus and the other is the Valley I snack bar, the newest union to be serving students needs.

Maybe you desire an atmosphere of solitude. This may be found in a library where all the information you want is at your fingertips. There are a number of libraries on campus to choose from. Waldo is the largest and most frequented. However there are four smaller libraries specializing in the areas of music, science, business and education in case your informational needs are more specific.

Depending on your needs, and sometimes just your moods, WMU has the materials and locations for your favorite style of study, be it reading anatomy over a balony sandwich in the lounge of the Student Center or watching the librarians strain to put someone else's reference book on a top shelf in Waldo. Take your choice.
Administration
President Bernhard — New Look At Old Problems

Dr. John T. Bernhard has completed his first academic year as Western Michigan University’s fourth president. During this year, President Bernhard and his family have become familiar and welcome faces in the Kalamazoo community, especially as Dr. Bernhard says, when the community is as friendly and well receiving as Kalamazoo has been.

In his first year, Dr. Bernhard has also become keenly aware of the demands of the university and he is dedicating himself on a fulltime basis to meet these demands. He is fully aware of the economic problems which beset universities everywhere, and particularly those problems which are unique to Western. And, although the problems are complex, such as the administration’s contention that we do not receive an equitable share of state appropriations and include efforts being made to project a new and modern image for Western Michigan University throughout the entire state; they are hardly insurmountable. And, while these problems are extremely difficult, John Bernhard nonetheless sees them as a fascinating challenge, which he plans to tackle in his future years with Western Michigan.

Let us look closer now at the dilemmas, which rest exclusively on the shoulders of John Bernhard as president of one of Michigan’s largest universities. First and foremost, has to be the economy, which has taken a dynamic grasp upon every facet of our university. To meet these problems, President Bernhard proposes that we must expand our energies in order to expose the university to a greater amount of people than we have in the past years. Most importantly, there must be new efforts to awaken the legislature to the merits of Western Michigan so that we may receive a more equitable share from the appropriations.

Also, in the works is a plan to create a “Western Foundation” which will centralize and coordinate the growing amount of contributions given to the university by alumni and friends. President Bernhard has given instructions for the creation of a new university magazine which will not only give us much more public exposure, but add to a new and ever-changing image of our university in the 1970’s.

Dr. Bernhard is still optimistic that Western can obtain a law school on our campus. This again, would reflect very much upon concerted efforts to influence the legislature more favorably towards Western.

President Bernhard’s optimism does not stop with academics, while being very enthusiastic towards the fine arts that surround the university and the entire community, Dr. Bernhard thought a good athletic program can only benefit this university. This comes internally through the university family rallying behind a successful sporting team. It can also behoove the university on a national level as the sporting programs become more attractive.

Indeed, this has been a unique year for both John Bernhard and Western Michigan University. Under his continued leadership and guidance, Western should proceed to advance through the trying years of the next decade.
V.P. Coulter — A Healthy Attitude

Dr. Myron L. Coulter, Vice President of Administration, is a strong and dedicated executive as well as an approachable and likeable individual. In his duties as Vice President of Administration, Dr. Coulter supervises every employee of the university. Dr. Coulter, with other administrators, conducts the business of WMU, making sure the people he employs are of the highest possible standards in regard to either scholastic quality or administrative excellence.

Dr. Coulter sees Western as a leader in the field of higher education, but in light of present economic troubles, Dr. Coulter asserts that we must preserve a “margin of excellence” throughout the entire academic community. This might mean more discreet hiring practices as well as a readjustment of departmental priorities.

Dr. Coulter speculates that the student could benefit from the present economic conditions in the long run. The trend is developing among many faculty members to remain stable within the university structure and to initiate more research in their particular fields.

The question Dr. Coulter asks is “How do we keep our own programs high and still fund them?” There must be a deliberate effort to accentuate the continued importance of other university programs, such as the arts and athletics that can promote a superior image upon the university environment. The years ahead will definitely be a period of change for all people in the university, but considering the dedication and healthy attitude of Dr. Coulter it shall also be a period of growth.

Facing A Serious Challenge — V.P. Mitchell

Dr. Stephen R. Mitchell is Vice-President of Academic Affairs. His responsibilities lie directly in the educational process and the allocation of funds to differing departments. Now in his second year in this position, Dr. Mitchell has seen many of his programs come into being at Western. For instance, classroom instruction periods are now Mondays through Thursdays, while Friday classes and activities are almost nonexistent campus wide. This affords the university staff and students the opportunity of a three-day weekend, and the program so far has been greeted with enthusiastic praise.

One serious challenge Dr. Mitchell must face is his continued effort to promote the educational excellence of Western Michigan University; a job made increasingly difficult in light of the university’s failure to keep pace with inflation.

Like other administrators, Dr. Mitchell sees change and growth in the future for the academic community. One area in which the university may expand is in its efforts to cater more to part-time students. With the outside job market being quite scarce, many former students are now returning to school while still holding temporary jobs. To Dr. Mitchell, this should be one of the projects WMU should pursue with great zeal as full-time student enrollments decline in an era of economic depression.
V.P. Coyne — Involved On A Personal Level

Mr. Thomas Coyne is unique in his position as Vice President of Student Services. A Western graduate, Mr. Coyne has served as Director of Alumni Relations as well as minis-trative Assistant to Western's former President James W. Miller. Since 1970, Mr. Coyne has been fully involved and dedicated to his position with Student Services.

To Tom Coyne, Student Services is closely equated with "student concern." He is involved on a personal level with all students, aware of their goals, responsive to their needs.

The Student Services Office encompasses many areas of life in the university. Mr. Coyne's office is responsible for such areas as Dormitories, Health Center, Placement, Counseling and Dean of Students to name a few.

The Future holds many ideas for Student Services. With changing trends in academic interest, so too will Student Services change with the times. Mr. Coyne foresees many more students attending college on a part time basis in the years ahead, some attending only weekends. For these students, Mr. Coyne suggests that his office may set up a day-care center for children. Another area of concern will be programs that cater to the interest of the growing ranks of graduate students.

Still, Mr. Coyne reflects that we maintain our interest and flexibility with the traditional student, those eighteen to twenty years olds who make up the solid core of the University enrollment.

According to Mr. Coyne, the continued success of Student Services depends largely upon departmental appropriations, student interest and "student concern."

V.P. Wetnight — Remaining Cautious

Mr. Robert Wetnight maintains a powerful position within the administration of W.M.U. As Vice-President of Finance, Mr. Wetnight oversees the vast financial and economic commitments for the entire university.

The great challenge Mr. Wetnight must meet rests in the competing economic demands from each university department. With other administrators, Mr. Wetnight co-ordinates the fiscal priorities for our university in light of present inflationary conditions.

One of the major issues presented to Mr. Wetnight this year is the challenge of the parietal rule for freshmen and sophomores, compelling them to live in university dormitories. In a controversial issue such as this, Mr. Wetnight contends that the university has an ethical responsibility to complete the financial obligations the university committed itself to when there was a tremendous demand for dormitory housing.

In light the present economic conditions, Mr. Wetnight is cautious rather than pessimistic toward the continued growth of the university as a whole. "There must be change to grow in academics," as Mr. Wetnight sees it. While accelerated expansion is not foreseen in the near future for the university, there may be a reordering of priorities of existing departments as the demands change in the upcoming years. However, the 1960's are behind us, says Mr. Wetnight, and Western must grow from within to maintain the high standards of the past.
The eight members of Western's Board of Trustees represent, as a group, a wide range of concerns. Together they form the unified governing body of the institution. The eight members of the board, with the approval of the State Legislature, are appointed by the Governor and serve an eight year term, with a new trustee appointed every two years.

Since the Board has control of every activity and issue on campus, they have a full agenda for each of their monthly meetings. They affirm policies made by the faculty senate, and also handle changes of titles, salaries, retirements and resignations. They also give approval of new buildings and any other improvements made on campus, approve financial expenditures and receipts by the university and set tuition and dorm rates to be paid by the students. The major thrust of most Board activities is to either give the go ahead or to thwart many of the proposals presented by the various administrative departments of the University and to oversee the implementation of any and all activity that affects Western.
Kramen Succeeds Brawer As Ombudsman

Many people are often confused about the pronunciation of Ombudsman and in their attempt to do so, usually don’t realize who or what the University Ombudsman is or the function of that office.

Dr. Phillip Kramer has succeeded Dr. Milton J. Brawer this fall as Ombudsman. Dr. Kramer was in the Social Work Department before being appointed to the office. Having been in a departmental situation, he realizes what a narrow view people in individual departments have concerning how the University functions. Because of his background, he also finds himself gaining perspective in which to work more aggressively. Dr. Kramer finds his work extremely satisfying because of his field experience in Social Work and the application of this experience in an academic area which the job of Ombudsman provides.

Dr. Kramer has four major concerns for his two years in office. One of the most necessary to complete is the attempt to better publicize the office. Most students seem to read the signs which can be found all over campus, but they either do not fully understand the office’s purpose or don’t make use of the office. Another of Dr. Kramer’s purposes is to help implement policies more carefully. For example; students seem unable to clearly interpret the new legislation for students and Dr. Kramer is working on a program to help bring them in contact with and to understand the new policies. Legal aid for students especially in the way of advice is another of Dr. Kramer’s concerns. Many students are unable to afford legal advice and the Ombudsman would like to help provide these services by lawyers found through his office.

The University Ombudsman, as an office, assists individuals who have conflicts facing the Administration and feel that they have no alternatives. Both the faculty members and students use the services of the Ombudsman, but the students have the largest percentage of grievances. These individuals are advised by the Ombudsman or referred to someone who would be better able to help them in specialized areas. The office acts impartially, it does not advocate either the students or the Administration.

Many different cases are handled each year. Approximately one-third of all the cases are grade grievances, but other examples are financial aid, housing, non-academic, procedural and general problems, as well as several others.

Having no formal attachment to any administrative structure but the President, the Ombudsman is unique in his independence and powers. Though powerful, the Ombudsman is unable to reverse or waive decisions and actions made by others, but uses the methods of persuasion and recommendation to gain satisfactory results. The Ombudsman has access to all records but medical and counseling records and use their power to cut red-tape which individuals are often required to go through to reach a result.
Faculty Senate is a representative organization through which the faculty may have a voice in the development of university policies. There are eighty elected representatives from each of the forty-eight departments. Most of the Senate's basic research is done by its Councils and Committees. They deal with such problems as campus planning, budget and finance, teacher's salary and insurance. Policies are voted on by the representatives and then passed on to the Board of Trustees where they are affirmed or rejected.

President of Faculty Senate —
Dr. Laurel Grotzinger

Today In The News . . .

The News Office serves as informant between University and off campus population. Daily News Releases are published and sent to various newspapers in the state. In the interest of Alumni members, a University magazine containing special features is circulated. The staff is also responsible for keeping the campus map up to date. These people have the boundless task of keeping people aware of the every day news and events happening at Western, and they never cease to handle this vast task with admirable aplomb.

J.B. Freeman —
Assoc. Dir. of News Office

R. Rubon —
Director of News Office
Student Services — Everything From Money To Paper Clips

"The guy told me it looked like a rocket ship. This has got to be it. Hey wow, I really like that winding staircase. My God, where do I go from here? I think I'll start on top. The Housing Office? Well, first things first; I suppose everyone needs a place to stay."

The Housing Office here at Western consists of two separate divisions: Residence Hall Programming and Residence Hall Facilities. Residence Hall Programming is run by Sally Pippen and is responsible for the hiring of all Staffs and A.D.'s in the university's dormitories. These people are also trained by the Programming office in areas such as counseling, organizing of activities, and discipline. During summer orientation, Programming provides services to the incoming freshmen, including a presentation of slides showing what can be expected from dormitory living.

Residence Hall Facilities is the office that controls all the physical aspects of campus housing. Should Davis Hall's lounge be remodeled? New Security doors in Britton-Hadley? Peep holes in all the doors? How about new furniture for Married Housing, or a new contract for all the vending machines in the dormitories. All these decisions and more are the daily headaches faced by the Director of Housing Facilities, Robert Peterson. Any student, whether married or otherwise living in university housing is contracted through Mr. Peterson's office and subject to many of the changes that arise through his decisions. One change that will go into affect next year for this office is the dropping of the university's parietal rule which required all freshmen and sophomores to live in the dormitories. All university housing complaints or suggestions are also handled by Mr. Peterson's office. While the Programming Office tries to make university housing a good mental atmosphere, the Facilities Office tries to make it a convenient and inviting physical environment.

The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships, directly across from the Housing Office, helps the Western student with his monetary problems. Through scholarships, grants, and loans the office provides aid that
helps the student pay for his education. It’s not hard to apply for the many scholarships available but each year many go unused because of a lack of qualified applicants.

Also located in the Financial Aid Office is the office for Student Employment. Student Employment is a service provided for all students that compiles information on part time jobs available in the Kalamazoo area and makes it available to interested students. In reality this office is an employment agency but it costs Western students nothing to use their services.

The University Judiciaries, located on the Student Services Building’s first floor, is the body that governs the actions of all University students, on or off campus. The conduct rules of Western’s students are outlined in the Student Code of Life and any actions considered to be in violation of this Code are reported to the University Judiciaries. The student is informed in writing of his violation and he has the choice of having his case heard by his peers, the University Judiciaries which is a body of nine students, or by Charles Donnelly, Assistant Dean of Students. Ninety-nine percent of the time, the student will choose to go before Dean Donnelly. Suggestions for future policy making can be fed through the University Judiciaries by Donnelly. This office is also responsible for recommendations of students. Another college or potential employer can get in touch with this office and receive a recommendation on the student’s record. In this way the University Judiciaries can affect all students in one way or another.

The orientation program at Western Michigan University is set up to benefit both the incoming student and the university and has its office next to Judiciaries. Each summer, approximately four thousand freshmen and transfer students visit the campus during orientation. At this time, the university can learn what areas of studies the new students are most interested in and they can adjust the university class schedules as necessary. This is also a time for the freshman student to acquaint himself with the university. The students are on campus for about forty-four hours and in this time they learn everything from degree requirements to which bar to go to. During the orientation program, forty student leaders conduct tours of the campus and answer any and all questions they
The new students have meetings with their academic advisors and try to decide which path to follow. They have their pictures taken for I.D.'s and meal cards and they get an idea of dorm life by living in the Draper-Siedschlag complex. Through the orientation program, a student comes to Western socially and mentally prepared for college life.

The Foreign Students Office is also located on the first floor of the Student Services Building and is specifically designed to serve those foreign students attending Western. This year the foreign student population at Western increased dramatically. To make living in a foreign country (the U.S.) more comfortable, the Office of Foreign Students coordinates all activities on campus relating to foreign students, one of the largest being their International Night.

Pegasus is the office which coordinates many worthy volunteer groups and programs on campus, and it too is situated on the first floor, easily accessible to all students interested in volunteering their varied talents and energies to a wide variety of needed activities, from tutoring to babysitting.

On the bottom floor of the Student Services Building you will find the office of many of the campus organizations. First there is the media, WIDR, Threshold, and Western Herald, followed closely by Associated Student Government, Sky Broncos, Men's Union Board, and many, many more. Also located on the bottom floor is the Kiva room where many meetings, classes and special seminars are held.

The counseling center in the Student Services Building is divided into two categories, personal and academic counseling. Academic counseling handles students who are still undecided on their curriculum. When they finally decide on a curriculum they are sent to their specific college of study for counseling. Personal counseling has increased dramatically in the last year. The Counseling Center has increased its advertising and they are sending representatives into the Health Center, dormitories, and classes trying to reach the students in need. The Counseling Center also trains residence hall assistants to give advice to their residents and this is channeling more students to the
required. The Office of Student Activities stands only as an advising and coordinating body and has no controls over the organizations. Next year, Student Activities would like to initiate a few new programs. They would like to set up a twenty-four hour information center for all campus activities. It would include information on all campus activities and their times or when there has been an event cancelled. At this time the office publishes a semesterly calendar of events. Next year it is hoped that it will be expanded to twice a month. Students can always contact the Office of Student Activities for anything or any information about campus organizations.

"Now that was a tour dripping with redeeming social value. This office here, that one over there. How in the hell do they expect a lowly student like myself to keep all this stuff straight. It may house everything from yearbook offices to judiciaries, but what it really needs is someone to show me a way out of this bird cage."
Lacking A Needed Ingredient

Western's shift away from a Safety and Security division to a University Police Department has failed to curb the rising rate of campus crimes in the forms of larceny and vandalism. Vandalism alone has doubled in the past year becoming the largest single problem for the still relatively new department. Since July 1, 1973 when the University Department of Police was established, it has made large strides in organizing a well trained staff that is continually in a process of expanding their qualifications as law enforcement officers. But law enforcement is not always simply a matter of training, and the department feels it lacks the respect and cooperation of the student body; always a necessary ingredient for effective police work. Hopefully, Western students will come to realize that the department is for them ... not against.

Postponing Needed Improvements

Like everyone else in this country WMU's Maintenance Department has felt the crunch of the energy shortage. University emphasis on cutting down energy consumption has put everyone from engineers to custodians working at turning down the heat and unscrewing light bulbs. But even the crunch has not put a halt to such projects as air conditioning in Sangren and the renovation of the administration building which are still proceeding even as the growing recession forces a freeze on university employment and the postponement of many other needed improvements at WMU.
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Each Moment
Held Its Own
Every year a myriad of experiences befall all of us here at Western, and the Fall 1974 semester was no exception. Each moment held its own lively magic and occasionally our photographers were there to record some of the most important, several least important, and even a few routine ones. For some, as former head football coach Bill Doolittle found out, it was a season of declining fortunes. Others enjoyed a variety of shows and activities ranging from Henry Mancini's concert and Western's first black musical "Purlie", in Miller Auditorium, to a host of other individual and group activities too numerous to mention.

In these next thirty odd pages constituting our Fall Features section we have hopefully captured enough of Fall '74 to make it come alive once again to all those who lived it with us, and to accurately represent it for those that didn't.
Fun — Good Times — Sunshine And Rain — Relaxation
Every Year A Myriad Of Experiences
The air burned again with the smell of flaming cardboard, and bits and pieces of yesterday floated back to earth like ashes from a bygone past. Parades, fritters, soapbox derbies, reunions, pep rallies, and old fashioned carnivals reminded the old of homecomings gone by and gave the young an experience they will long remember.

This year’s Homecoming Committee brought back the entertainment of ages gone by; periods in American history that are remembered as times when life was freer and easier. The twenties came to life with the flapper and gigolo contest; the forties were heard again when the Big Band Cavalcade was at Miller; our own high school days of the sixties came back with a pep rally, bonfire, and parade. Of course the Western traditions of soapbox derbies, fritter fests, and a football game brought back memories for recent alumni. The 1974 WMU Homecoming certainly fit its definition—a time for people to remember.
Every year there is a veritable procession of student and faculty productions that almost daily fill the news releases and nightly occupy Oakland Recital Hall, or some other area large enough to hold both performers and audience. The variety is nearly endless. From the Faculty String Quartet, Bass Quintet, Wind Ensemble and the University Jazz Band, to New Structures in Sound, University Singers, and Black Dance, WMU is regularly deluged with cultural delicacies. Fall '74 was no exception, and on this two page spread are some examples of what Western's university community regularly enjoys.
Shaw Extravaganza

Fall semester 1974 proved to be a banner season for University Theater productions. Ossie Davis’ black musical comedy “Purlie”, starring Von Washington and Cynthia Johnson, and directed by the able team of Robert Smith, William Appel and Luretta McCray, became the largest and most successful black play ever to be staged on the WMU campus.

T. S. Eliot’s play “Family Reunion” directed by Zach York made up an early season selection performed at Shaw Theatre and was followed by productions of “Playboy of the Western World,” with guest director Vincent Dowling, Noel Coward’s “Private Lives” directed by E.E. Cummings’, “Him” directed by Russel Grandstaff.
University Theatre

PURLIE

HIM

PLAYBOY OF THE WESTERN WORLD

PURLIE
Let The Music Take Over
Concerts — Excellent Variety — But Only Three?
The hassle of getting the tickets, waiting in line for two hours to find a decent seat and now sitting on the hard floor is getting to me. The lights are still on so no lighting up yet. Hurry up, dammit. Here comes someone, he’s going to announce the start of the music. First the speech about not smoking. What a joke. Now comes the speech about the band. Hurry up, let’s get this show on the road. Here they come, sit back and let the music take over.

Western’s concert variety was excellent again this semester; all three of them. The rainbow of talent ranged from the rock and roll of J. Geils and the excellent showmanship of Jr. Walker and the All-Stars, to the mellow sounds of Seals and Crofts, to the jazz of Herbie Mann and Jose Feliciano. But it was far and few between these masters. Quality can be appreciated, and was greatly, but concerts were still so infrequent that almost anything would have sounded good.
Less Complaining
And More Cooperation

Concert selection is one of the most talked about and complained about processes at Western. Almost everyone has an opinion about who was coming, why we weren't getting bigger groups, why we don't have more concerts, and why so few people are allowed to play at Miller. No one can figure out why we have such a poor concert schedule and close-by smaller schools such as Grand Valley State, have such a large and wide variety of performers.

Many people have complained about some of the performers that come to Miller, saying that they aren't coming for the benefit of the students but for the Kalamazoo community. Gordon Smith, the director of Miller Auditorium, explained the general university procedure for picking performers was divided between three separate committees depending on the type of performer. The College of Fine Arts decides what cultural events are to appear at Western which includes the International Series, guest symphonies and touring dance companies. The auditorium staff decides what popular attractions will appear. Concerts such as Robert Goulet, plays such as "Pippen," and comedians like Lily Tomlin are all decided upon by Mr. Smith and his staff. Selections are based on proposed performance fees contrasted to projected attendance. They are not chosen to only satisfy the students and university community, but to serve the entire Kalamazoo area.

The Student Concert Committee functions a little differently than the other controlling committees. The concert committee chooses its members from the student body. Each committee hopeful must submit an application to the committee which then chooses its members. Mr. Smith is the only non-student on the committee, but his role is almost entirely advisory. The concert committee receives notices from professional agents as to what groups are available when and how much they charge. Since the Concert Committee works out of its own independent budget, the committee decides if the university population would pay to see the group, if they can break even, and how many tickets have to be sold. The committee is dedicated to bringing inexpensive entertainment to Western. That's why Western students will probably never see groups or individual talents, the likes of Jethro Tull or Led Zeppelin at Read. They simply cost to much.

If the committee can break even by only selling three thousand to thirty-five hundred seats, they check into having the concert at Miller. But a persistent and irritating problem about having concerts in Miller Auditorium besides money are the damages incurred at student concerts. The auditorium is a beautiful place to see, has perhaps the best acoustics of any auditorium in Michigan, and seats thirty-five hundred people comfortably. Unfortunately, numerous
burns on the carpets and seats force the ushers to patrol during concerts for people who insist on illegally and irresponsibly smoking their cigarettes or joints during the concert. Such carelessness has forced the Auditorium management to warn the concert committee and students in general that if such damage persists, students will not be allowed to have concerts at Miller.

As to why we have so few concerts there seems no simple answer. For one thing, investigating the different groups, their audience potential, and the complicated finances involved in putting on a concert, take up a great deal of time for each concert performed. Western's conservative stance in financing is another hindrance. The concert committee however, is always open to suggestions as to what groups students would like to see. They have even tried surveys, but due to Western students' typical lack of response they were almost useless. Obviously what is needed on all sides is less complaining and more cooperation.
Here I sit in this nice comfortable chair waiting for the lights to go out and the play to start. As I wait, I look around and take in the “sights.” Below me the Grand Tier and the Orchestra level are filled with people, the curtain hides the stage, and the ushers are patrolling the aisles making sure no eating, drinking, smoking or picture taking is going on.

This is Miller Auditorium, the heart of various cultural (and not so cultural) programs. It is here where talented people like Alvin Ailey Dancers and Robert Goulet came during Fall semester 1974 to entertain both WMU students and the people of Kalamazoo. Broadway and student plays, singers like Dionne Warwick and John Mayall are some of the programs that have been offered at Miller this past year. These however aren't the only types of programs that Miller has hosted. Speakers frequently use the auditorium and various organizations of Kalamazoo hold their conferences there.
And The Shows Went On . . .
Activities, activities. Everyday there was something and on these pages you can see a few more of the events, demonstrations, and performances that touched Western's campus over the Fall 1974 semester. Holiday on Ice made their first in what is hoped to be a long string of performances at Lawson Ice Arena, and along with it this past semester there were magic shows, karate demonstrations, and regular performances of the WMU Marching Band provided most of the excitement and entertainment during halftime at WMU football games this season.
You can see it everywhere: in small private groups, in dorms, in all campus charity drives — people are helping people by giving their time and energy to worthwhile causes. This fall certainly was no exception, with more charity activities than we could cover.

Beta Alpha Psi, an accounting fraternity gave their time by helping the greater Kalamazoo United Fund Drive with their bookkeeping.

Smith and Ernest Burnham Halls sponsored their second party for one hundred and fifty married housing and Kalamazoo Headstart children.

Sigma Pi sponsored their second annual see-saw marathon this September to raise money for ALSAC.

AWS sponsored again this fall an all campus ALSAC drive. There were Halloween parties, swim marathons, and pie throwing contests.

Draper-Siedschlag sponsored an all campus “Pie-in-the-Face” contest.

The bi-annual blood drive sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega came up two hundred and fifty pints short of their eleven hundred unit goal, but it was still a large contribution to the Red Cross.

All in all, many of Western’s students volunteered to help their neighbors, and often mere strangers. People helping people is the name of the game, and a game that we here at Western always play on both sides: both giving and receiving, and a game that is often refreshing for any that are willing to get involved.
USCB Week — No Ordinary Week

Jean Batey and Sue Moore sang songs and looked pretty in front of the Student Center on a beautiful late summer day; Abbott and Costello and the Keystone Cops provided free Tuesday night entertainment in the Valley One Snack Bar; a gallery of art prints cluttered the Student Center all week; Barbara Streisand and George Segal sent guffaws through cheap movie crowds in Sangren Hall on Thursday night as they starred in Owl and the Pussycat; and the week capped itself off with a Fifties Dance approved by USCB and Threshold (yours truly) in the East Ballroom starring the live band Moose and Da Sharks. And just to prove that this was no ordinary week, Stanton Friedman, a nuclear physicist no less, lectured on Flying Saucers, and got paid for it!
Self Photo — Gee, I’m Beautiful ...
Each year the THRESHOLD staff attempts to capture a photographic and written history of the people and activities going on in and around the WMU campus. But no history is complete without showing at least a few of the faces that belong to the friends or strangers that we all see everyday, and to that we have dedicated these and other pages of Self-Photo. It's the one place that you could be just you for our cameras.
Fall Sports
Women's athletics have arrived as of this year. Never before in the history of the school or the Athletic Department have women been in any kind of light at Western. In prior years they have been ignored, rejected, and shoved off into a corner where only upon careful inspection could they be seen at all.

To get a clearer picture of the situation, we go back to 1961. Until then the only organized sports for WMU Women consisted of trips to the local YWCA, or involvement in summer leagues. In 1962, Western Michigan University began competition on the intercollegiate level, with basketball and field hockey. At that time these sports were governed by various committees who set standards and governed regulations and who in 1974 gave way to the National Division of Girls and Women's Sports (NDGWS) which now controls women's intercollegiate sports. Since 1962 the program has expanded from just Field Hockey and Basketball to include Track/Field, Tennis, Volleyball, Bowling, Swimming/Diving, Aqua Sprites, Synchronized Swimming, Golf, and Gymnastics. All of these sports started as clubs and later matured to the varsity division. A club cannot play more than four matches to stay on the club level and not be recognized by the NDGWS and the NCAA as varsity.

Western staff and individual participants have incorporated their ideas into a philosophy of emphasizing the learning aspect of women's sports as well as making use of their skilled physical qualities, without monetary compensation, contrary to men's athletics on this campus. Involvement is only compensated with pride and is not reimbursed in "letter" or financial rewards such as scholarships. There is no money making aspect of the women's sports and much care is taken in avoiding this outlook. The sports are there strictly for those par-
participants who have a desire to play and are uninfluenced by policies or money. Success in the material sense isn’t the main objective of women’s athletics. They prefer to work toward a goal of teamwork and effort, building pride without the push and demand for winning teams, keeping sports at a level of simplicity that was intended and not the big business level of today’s men’s sports. It is a world of little pressure to do well for the university, only to perform at the highest level obtainable with the material at hand. The women aren’t there to entertain anyone or bring in money for the university, or fame and glory to any specified group or person, only to provide athletic opportunities for those who seek it.

Western’s athletic program for women is one of the best of its kind in the country and their schedule is made to test the skills and abilities of the individuals and teams. They play only teams equal to their caliber of play and in a sense play much tougher schedules than the men do in the taking on of the “big” name schools. Opponents include Ohio State, Michigan, Michigan State, Central Michigan, Eastern Michigan, and Northern Illinois.

Inside a world of constant pressure, to excel is a sphere of enjoyment where the pressure is less and the real joy of playing a sport is prevalent instead of maintaining a good won-lost record because the light is on the fun that there is in playing in the world of sport.

And significantly women teams have turned out more “winners” lately than the men. The light is shining bright on women’s athletics and will continue to do so as more recognition is given through the different sources of the media and throughout the campus and the community.
After a dismal 1974 season, that failed to produce one Mid-American Conference victory in five outings, Bill Doolittle announced his resignation as head football coach at Western Michigan University. Citing reasons that were “for the best interests of both myself and the University,” Doolittle stepped down after guiding the Broncos to an eleven year 58-49-2 overall record and 24-34-2 Mid-American Conference mark.

Doolittle enjoyed several winning seasons at WMU, including four in a row before the 1974 team finished with three wins against eight losses. His top season was 1966 when the Broncos won a share of the MAC Championship with a 5-1-1 league record, and a 7-3 overall mark. The feat earned him the 1966 MAC “Coach of the Year” title.

Before coming to Western, Doolittle enjoyed a highly successful high school coaching career, as well as holding a coaching position at Brown University and the offensive coordinator job at West Point.

Doolittle’s resignation seems to have awakened the University administrators to improving the working conditions of the head coaching position. The new head coach will be given a three-year contract and not be required to teach classes, as Doolittle was. Hopefully, this move will give the new coach added time to spend recruiting and along with a second change to increase the budget for on-campus visits for potential recruits (currently eighth among the ten MAC schools), would improve Western’s abilities for attracting new athletes. These are just two of the moves necessary to make Western competitive in MAC football again. And if that is the sole purpose of Varsity sports, then so be it.

“I regret Bill Doolittle’s decision at this time,” remarked Athletic Director Dr. Joseph T. Hoy. “The Athletic Department would like to express its sincere appreciation for the eleven years of professional and dedicated service he has given to the University.

During that time, the stature of our football program improved tremendously. Although he has asked to be relieved of his coaching duties, I do hope that Bill will want to continue as a staff member in our Athletic Department.”
Football at Western Michigan University suffered through its worst season in six years. After winning only three times in eleven games (none of those victories coming in MAC competition), head coach Bill Doolittle resigned, capping an eleven year career as head of the football program at WMU.

In spite of the presence of Paul Jorgenson, one of the top quarterbacks in the Midwest, and a group of veteran offensive and defensive linemen, Western's success hinged on inexperienced talent and the avoidance of injuries. As more and more injuries cropped up, Coach Doolittle was forced to go with even more freshmen and sophomore starters.

Western opened the season the first weekend of September, a month
that proved to contain its ups and downs for the Broncos. After the initial victory over Texas (Arlington), a team that had soundly beaten WMU in the final game of last year, Western dropped the next game to Eastern Michigan 20-19. Following the pattern of a loss for every win, WMU dropped their second home game of the year to Bowling Green 21-13, offsetting their win over Northern Illinois a week earlier. Entering October, and the tough mid-schedule duels with three MAC opponents, Western stood 2-2.

October proved disastrous for Bill Doolittle's ill-fated Broncos, their only win of the month (and final victory of the season) coming against a weak Marshall team. Kent State, Toledo, and Ohio University all im-
proved their own conference records, recording victories over a hapless Western team. November didn't prove to be any better, as Western suffered losses to nationally ranked Miami (Ohio), a Central Michigan team that went on to beat number 1 ranked (small college) Louisiana Tech, and closed out the season with a heart breaking 34-33 loss to Long Beach State, in California.

The Long Beach game and Coach Doolittle's eventual resignation capped a year of frustration for Western football. Hopefully our new coach will bring with him a new attitude, a new desire, and a new beginning for WMU football. Until then, the exclamations of "Wait 'till next year," still linger on...
After A While The Scores All Looked Same
The mass of humanity swarmed around the goal, the black and white spotted ball disappearing beneath flying feet as players struggled to move it. Suddenly out of no where the ball shot toward the goal, flashed by the goalie and wizzed into the net for a score.

Western Michigan University’s soccer team finished with its best record since becoming a varsity sport. Coach Pete Glon urged the booters to a seven, five, and one record with victories over Central Michigan and Kent State included and a tie with a very tough Michigan State team. The team has come a long way in just four years of varsity competition as it compiled a winning record in its third year.

The booters are a very young aggressive team that never gave up as its record shows. Goalie Dale Herherrington continued his fine performances of last year, as he had three shutouts and saved numerous games with clutch saves all season long. Newcomer Kristl Aleksov, a transfer from Jackson Community College set a school season scoring record in his first season at Western with eleven goals and twelve total points. Senior halfback Mike Kosmides was elected Most Valuable Player for the season with his fine effort and leadership. Most Improved Player went to another halfback, freshman Paul Saam. Other outstanding performances came from Scott Ferris, a sophomore who was hurt much of the year but upon his return, boosted the scoring attack and Tony Egbe who rounded out the scoring.
The Kids Came Out Smelling Like Roses

Western's cross country team went into the season youthful and inexperienced and came out smelling like roses. The team with just one senior and primarily consisting of sophomores and freshmen, finished its dual meet season with a 6-4 record as Tom Duits, a freshman, set the course record in the team's last dual meet victory over Loyola.

The team showed a lot of poise and were paced in all their meets by the freshman sensation, Duits. The strength in this year's team was its ability to run as a pack but Coach Jack Shaw said, "... (we) need to come up with some stronger help up front...to be a contender for the league title." However, his team's consistency was pleasing as it showed just over a minute between the first Bronco finisher and the fifth in many of the meets.

Western grabbed a sixth place finish at the Tom E. Jones Invitational Meet at the University of Wisconsin and finished fifth at the Mid-American Conference Championships at Mt. Pleasant, and Tom Duits finished 12th to qualify as an All-Conference selection. Others who sparkled this year were junior Jim LoBianco, sophomore Dan Landman, freshman Ted Farmer, and freshman Greg Savicke, all of who ran well all season long.
The Most Popular Games On Campus

The most popular games on Western’s campus, where everyone either plays or knows and supports someone or a team that does, are intramural sports. Whether football or badminton, it is the most popular way to get exercise and have fun. An example of the popularity: one hundred teams competed in I.M. football in three divisions for trophies and fun this fall. Football is the most popular of all the fall sports but still leaves seven others to be covered. In the singles tennis tournament over one hundred entries played in the intermediate and championship divisions and better than forty teams for the doubles title.

There isn’t another more popular event on campus than the intramural program and because of it, more people are getting to see other students that they otherwise would never have any contact with.

The competition of the games is keen as many a fine high school player gets a chance to pursue his sport
Whether Football...

on a much lesser pressure scale than a varsity team. There is no pressure to win even though everyone wants to, and if you don't it's okay because there is next week to go out and try again. If it was any different there wouldn't be any intramural activities at all. If anyone takes the game too seriously it's only on the point that they thought they could have done better.

In the end, the competition at the championships is perhaps as fine as could be found anywhere on any campus and in anything that could be found short of varsity competition and in some cases is better.

The excitement of just going out and releasing some energy and letting all hell loose, makes everyone feel better and sure beats yelling at your roommate for little things that really don't matter at all.
The ball rolled down the field toward the goal, girls chasing it as it rolled along, just keeping ahead of the swinging sticks. Each swipe changes its direction and that of the crowd coming up behind, turning them around to take up the chase at the other end of the field.

Western's Field Hockey team had an exceptionally good year with a record of twelve wins, five losses, and six ties. The success of this winning season can be credited to the unique method of coaching and the spirit of teamwork.

"Field Hockey dares to be different," is a quote taken from Coach Jean Friedel, which best describes this sport and the quality of its players. There are no real wins or losses, only the satisfaction of a well played game.

Field Hockey is becoming more important in the girl's athletic department, as in 1975 it brought competition in intercollegiate state, regional and national tournaments. We can only look forward to another good year.
Front Row — Diane Morea, Laurie Kitzmann, Gwyneth Evans, Doris Izykowski, Janet Holland, Susan Bullard. Second Row — Jean Friel, Nancy Drake, Karel McCulloch, Carol Sheldon, Susan Hindle, Marcia Karwas, Joan Browning.

No. 2 Tries Harder

The pop of the white-patched ball hitting tightened flesh and sent soaring, reached ears accostomed to judging distances from its intensity. As it comes down, an arm connects, rocketing the ball over and downward. Bodies sprawl, diving to keep it alive, straining fingers, and hands failing as the ball falls to the floor beyond them.

Western’s girl’s volleyball team went through a season with some successes and more failures on the first team, but the second team showed that all was not lost as it went through the season in fine fashion. The first team finished with an eleven and fifteen record but did host the Michigan Intercollegiate Volleyball Tournament that brought the excitement and thrills of big time volleyball to the campus. The season wasn’t considered a loss as the competition was heavy and the prospects for the future bright considering the success of the second team.
Vagabonds — WMU At Its Best

To hundreds of thousands of people around the world their memories of a Varsity Vagabond performance are all they know of Western Michigan University. Since 1959 the Vagabonds, under the steady guidance of Dr. Elwyn Carter — Western’s first Dept. of Music chairman, have grown from a few choir members doing extra duty as instrumentalists to a veteran group of performers. They have participated in six USO tours covering all four corners of the world and countless other concerts in their home state of Michigan to show everyone much of the best in both music and WMU.

Through the 1940's and 50's Dr. Elwyn Carter managed to direct the College Choir as well as being head of the Music department. At that time, there was inside the choir another, smaller, group. It had no official name but the group sustained itself year after year and maintained a separate program including instrumental music that became a regular part of any concert the College Choir performed as a whole. In 1959, Dr. Carter realized that he could no longer head the department and still give the Choir the attention it needed, and so turned the Choir over to another member of the faculty but kept the smaller group under his own guidance.

The United Services Organization (USO) soon gave him unexpected assistance when in 1962 they sent a representative to the National Association of Schools of Music Convention.

The representative told all those assembled about a new type of entertainment tour that the USO was initiating to complement its Celebrity Series and professional groups. He made an appeal to the administrators to have their various groups apply for such a tour.

The Varsity Choir had picked up a nickname soon after its becoming a separate organization, and in 1963 the Varsity Vagabonds auditioned for a member of the Music committee while doing a high school show in Dexter, Michigan and submitted a tape of the show for consideration.

Their audition resulted in the group being selected and soon thereafter fourteen students along with Dr. Carter departed for a tour of the Caribbean military bases. Two years later in 1965 the group went on a second tour covering Greenland, Iceland, Newfoundland, and Labrador, and every other year for the next six, the Varsity Vagabonds alternately traveled to the European Theater, the Pacific Command and again Europe. They traveled extensively on all such tours covering such varied terrain as Germany, Italy; Korea, Japan, Panama, and once even spent four days on the beaches of Hawaii courtesy of the U.S. Armed Forces. In 1973 they missed a turn but were once again selected in 1974 and set off for their second tour of the Caribbean.

Made up of individuals from a wide variety of curriculums, music being only one; the group has become one of the few on campus that allows a student to display his or her own musical creativity in the form of musical arrangements and original compositions.

Traditionally, the Varsity Choir had been a financially self-sustaining group and changing the group’s name failed to change this. The main reasons for maintaining this financial independence were primarily the nature of the group’s singing engagements and the fact that as head of the music department Dr. Carter was especially cautious about using University funds to support a group that not all the music faculty were enthusiastic about.

Fortunately, the nature of the Vagabonds singing dates lent itself to a self-supporting system. Groups and organizations that asked the Vagabonds to perform were asked for
donations. A performance was never dependent on such a donation nor its size, but on the whole organizations proved to be very generous in the past.

And well be it, for keeping the group in costumes, music, instruments, and other equipment costs a bundle each year. For their last tour alone the group spent over two thousand dollars for a sound system capable of broadcasting their outdoor concerts. Purchasing insurance for such tours and paying normal transportation costs were also regular drains on the Vagabonds financial reserves.

Before an engagement is confirmed "Doc" checks with all the members of the group and gets their approval. The group regularly handles between twenty and twenty-five concerts per semester and because of this Dr. Carter also maintains a few standards for members as a sideline. Every member of the group must have a "B" average or better. The numerous concerts and long hours of rehearsal keep the members busy and take away a good deal of their study time.

Anyone interested in the group can audition for Dr. Carter almost anytime they can catch him, and Doc is always on the lookout for new talent.

Dr. Carter sees his group as a public relations unit for WMU in many ways. At any given performance the members show a great diversity of talent and a good deal of enthusiasm besides; and rather than use these aspects for maintaining interest in just the Vagabonds, it is channeled into interest of WMU as a place to look into for possibilities in many areas.

Since 1959 when "Doc" Carter separated the small more entertainment minded group called the Varsity Choir from the University Choir and kept it under his own personal guidance, the Varsity Vagabonds, as they came to be known, have come a long way. The group has established its own distinctive identity, maintained its financial independence, proved a valuable training ground for many students with varied musical talents and given many of them a chance to see their own work performed by a first class group. One particularly good piece of evidence supporting a case for the groups continual improvement is the fact that since 1963 when the Vagabonds were sent on their first USO tour along with over one hundred other such college groups, the USO has curtailed its tours to a miserly fifteen in 1974; the last year the group applied and was accepted. And that time only ten people instead of the normal fifteen were allowed to go.

These impressive statistics only highlight the excellence of the Varsity Vagabonds as a university organization that Western Michigan University can be duly proud of. Dr. Carter's long years of service to WMU will be well remembered not only for his many accomplishments in establishing an excellent school of music and curriculum, but also for the happiness he has brought to the thousands around the world through his direction of the Varsity Vagabonds. Dr. Elwyn Carter and the Varsity Vagabonds-WMU at it best.
ASG — A Most Active School Year

Associated Student Government had a most active school year. Among its many accomplishments were the establishment of a Book Co-op, groundwork and research for the Food Co-op, preparation for food stamp application on campus, and foundations for student access to their personal files, which falls under the Family Rights and Privacy Act. Through an exhaustive amount of work and meetings, A.S.G. managed to have the mandatory housing policy abolished here at W.M.U. In addition, special emphasis was given to the re-evaluation of the grading system.

It should be pointed out that the newly elected officers this year consist of four previous members. Steve Fox, President elect, served as Vice-President of Student Affairs; Judy Layne won re-election to the office of Vice-President of Academics; Lee Hobrla won the office of Vice-President of Student Affairs, with a past background as ASG senator, secretary, and recording secretary, and Pete Steffen, who was an active senator stepped into the office of Vice-President of Housing.

Based upon their experience in the operations of ASG, the entire staff feels that the ensuing year will bring about completion of many projects initiated last year.
S.A.S.B. — Communication Link
And Participator

The Student Alumni Service Board serves as the communication link between the students and Alumni Association at Western. S.A.S.B. participates in alumni functions, informing western graduates of the many changes occurring on campus, and also supplies student input for alumni decisions by serving on the Alumni Board of Directors, plus the Teacher Excellence and Distinguished Alumni Selection committees.

This past year S.A.S.B. participated in homecoming by sponsoring the Fritter Fest, reviving the homecoming parade, and serving as host at the Alumni Homecoming Party. Other events coordinated by S.A.S.B. also included Strikes for Scholarships and bringing the MAC Homecoming queens here for a fun filled weekend during this year’s Spring Fling.

A.W.S. — All Women Students Are Automatic Members

WMU Women need only to call or stop by the A.W.S. office in the Student Services building to become active or involved.

They sponsor activities such as: Dad’s Day, Mom’s Weekend, Spring Luncheon, Flapper-Gigelo contest, and Little Brother and Sister Weekend.

Service projects include Awareness Week, Sex and Sexuality/Rape Crisis series, ALSAC drive, Commission on the Status of Women and our newest addition — the Auto Repair Workshop. You learn basic skills like changing fan belts, coolant, and oil, to tuning up your car in the last lesson.

In addition to providing leadership and service opportunities, A.W.S. recognizes and honors high scholastic achievement by offering scholarships to involved women, and by maintaining a loan fund for any qualified students.

Top Row: Virginia E. Norton; Deb Howard; Debbie Subatch; Cindy Williams; Bottom Row: Debbie Williams; Julie Baxter; Ann Barnes; Carol Horner.
Univ. Student Center Board — Serving Students
Variety is the word that best describes the University Center Board. This student organization is responsible for the programming of all student activities in the Student Center. USCB offers classes in photography, Zen, Yoga, and crafts. Other activities are: two weekly movie series, canoe trips, reduced billiard rates, bowling leagues, Coffee Houses, and trips to Chicago, etc. USCB serves students!
Men’s Union Board — Concerned Student Group

Front Row: (L-R) Tom Deverman; Joe Caserio; Jim Nolan; Mike Frey; Dave Troutman; Middle Row: (L-R) John Hungerford (Advisor); Steve Henes; Mary Magin; Dave Girson; Janice Taber; Greg McGowan; Ray Paszkiewicz; Back Row: (L-R) Jim Saracino; Rick Simony; Ralph King; Walt Pattinson.
The purpose of the Student Budget Review and Allocation Committee is to allocate the funds received from the student tax. The Committee is comprised of twelve members: eight students, two administrators, one faculty, and the non-voting Allocation Finance Officer. The funds are allocated to registered student organizations on the basis that they will be used for programs contributing to the cultural, educational, recreational, and physical well-being of the University community.

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Student Concert Committee — Struggling

Back Row: Scott Carr, Ross Hilden, Marti Lambert, Steve Corbet, Dave Turley; Sitting: Ty Kollag, Barb Nickels.
American Foundrymen's Society — Active

The American Foundrymen's Society at Western Michigan University is an active student organization. The student project this year was the second annual Community College Seminar. During this day students and faculty from community colleges are introduced to Western's Engineering programs and facilities. Guest speakers were from both industry and engineering departments. Through this type of communication the American Foundrymen's Society hopes to interest students to get into the industry and to attend Western Michigan University.
**Debate Program — Diversified Interests**

The Western Michigan debate program operates under the Humanities Area of the College of General Studies. The program was under the direction of Dr. Chester Hunt of Sociology and was coached by Jim Markan, a graduate assistant.

The program is noted for its diversified interests, which include in addition to staging this International Debate Program: participation in intercollegiate debate competition, and involvement in campus and civic forensic events.

Anyone interested in obtaining more information concerning the debate program can contact the new debate supervisor, Howard Dooley of the Humanities Department.

(L-R) Jim Markan, Piotr Malecki, Nancy Diehl, Dave Brennan, Andrej Czyz, Dr. Chester Hunt.
Panhel Council — Striving To Create Unity

Panhellicnic Council is the governing and coordinating body of the sororities on Western’s campus. The Council strives to create unity among the sororities through campus and community activities. This year’s activities have included a special reception for President and Mrs. Bernard, leadership training workshops, Soap Box Derby for Homecoming, rush functions, progressive dinners, Thanksgiving baskets, singing for local nursing homes, and selling roses for Valentine’s Day.

St. Thomas More — Friendly Neighbors

Aqua Sprites is the synchronized swimming group of Western Michigan University. This club has been active since 1946, and its purpose is to promote the skills of synchronized swimming, the understanding of aquatic art, and the experiencing of new friendships.

The main activity is the annual water show presented in the spring. This water spectacular culminates a year's work on costumes, scenery, script, and swimming routines. All the work of choreography, costumes, scenery, and production is done by the members of the organization.

Tryouts are held each September and January to add members to the organization. Many different areas of study are represented within our membership. This gives us a nice blend of people with many ideas.

Our success this year is due in part to our advisor, Ms. Norma Stafford, and the assistance of Doug Estry. This year's officers are Debbie Aarup, president; Sue Matthews, vice-president; Kathy Kent, secretary; and Annemarie Kirchhoff, treasurer.
The business world offers many exciting opportunities — as the members of Women In Business are discovering.

WIB was founded to provide professional contacts, experiences, guidance and support for female students in business and related academic programs. Though only one year old, this organization already has sixty-five members, ranging from freshmen to graduate students.

This action-packed year included visiting firms in Chicago, appearing on television, hearing speakers from a wide variety of business areas, and sponsoring many programs and activities. 1975-76 promises to be even more exciting because WOMEN IN BUSINESS is MEETING THE FUTURE NOW!
All two hundred and fifty members of the Miller Auditorium Usher Corps had the same goal in mind: to serve the public. This was accomplished through greeting, seating, and passing out programs. Running a coat check served to earn money for several scholarships given to ushers. Being one of the largest organizations on campus, the usher corps also served as a place to meet people, especially at the annual Christmas party. This year the ushers extended their services from Miller Auditorium to the Lawson Ice Arena and to Read Fieldhouse to help the Student Concert Committee with rock concerts.
WIDR — A Year Of Remarkable Growth
WIDR — the student radio organization, experienced a year of remarkable growth with establishment of the long awaited FM progressive station. The organization, in its twenty-third year of operation, increased its potential audience ten fold.

WIDR-AM now serves the dormitories with top-fourty programming during the afternoons and evenings. The stereo FM brings progressive rock, jazz, and student oriented public affairs programming to the greater Kalamazoo area twenty-four-hours a day.

Back Row: Dean Rocheleau; Terry Dieehanty; Cathie Engardio; Dave Hampton; Bill Foster; Dana Jury; John McNeill; James Peace; Front Row: Dave Gorski; Sam Avellone; Al Marsh; Jeff Maszel; Larkin Plato.
Clockwise (Starting Above): Leslie Griffen (Campus Editor), Dave Dempsey (State Editor), Mary Fair (Entertainment Editor), Rob Falls (Fall Production Editor), Terry Delehanty (Managing Editor), Dirk Richardson (Twang Editor), Kathy Russel, John S. Schultz (Editor-In-Chief).
Clock Wise: Dick Richardson (Twang Editor); Paul Morgan (Fall Sports Editor); Bob Wiet (Production Editor); Dave Shane (Sports Editor); Tom Chmielewski (Fall Editor-In-Chief).
Who, What, Where, When, ... Why?

Clockwise From Lower Left: Tony Gandy (Photographer); Tom "Jet" Burns (Chief Photographer); Paul Bushouse (Photographer); Sue Hutchings (City Editor).
Threshold 1975-Western's Last Yearbook?

Clockwise: Deb Engel (Secretary); Joe Freeman (Advisor); Sue Maria (Copy Writer); John Berka (Editor-in-Chief); Deb Cuozzo (Features Editor-Winter); Ted Townsend (Managing Editor).

Upper Left: Tom "Jet" Burns (Photo Editor); Upper Right: Staff.
Too Often We Disappointed Ourselves

Above: Joe Freeman (Advisor); Tom Belanger (Groups Editor); Right: Diane Connelly (Copy Staff); Pg. 137 Far Right: John Conzett (Sports Editor); Bottom Left: Kirk Handren (Layouts Editor).
But Occasional Bright Moments Of Accomplishment

Last year we were strangers who quickly became friends, this year we were friends who occasionally became strangers. Tensions and irritations that were turned easily into light moments of mirth and laughter a year ago oftentimes twisted themselves into grinding moments of spite this year. We were hardly at each other's throats, and always completed our work eventually under the circumstances, but much of the freshness was gone, enthusiasm waned for many, and some few of us merely trudged on. Occasionally we could enjoy bright moments of accomplishment, feel proud of a job well done, a story well written, or a problem solved. But too often we disappointed ourselves. After a year's experience there was little excuse for mistakes, and we were still making them. Sometimes even worse ones. Deadlines were speeding by, things always piled up in last minute spurts, and our never-ending battle with disorganization became increasingly frustrating, almost senseless. Our task was not made easier by having to carry the burden of daily wondering if we would be producing Western's last yearbook. A deficit that had been building for years, even before the present crop of editors arrived on the scene, hung over us like a ball of sickness. There seemed no way to break the buying barrier with the student body which year after year kept us from being not only self-supporting, but self-sustaining as well. We became disheartened after consuming our energies trying to communicate with the majority of Western's students that a yearbook, if not a necessity, was at least a valuable and worthwhile commodity. We would have been content merely to have felt needed for the future, if not desired for the present. But such feelings were far and few between and we were left to flounder in our own self-doubt and self-recriminations. Perhaps we just hadn't tried hard enough, or perhaps we were succeeding without knowing it. A book never looks like a book until it is completed and in your own hands. Until then it simply looks like so many disoriented pages. And by the time this book is in that condition it will be too late to write this story. So we can only feel and imagine what the future will be. The book will be completed, and it will be a good one, and many good people will donate their time, energy and talents to it, and we will have good times with it, and its construction will be well remembered by most if not all of us. But what is important is that our readers enjoy the book, get a sense of the 1974-75 school year from it, and are proud of what THRESHOLD 1975 said about them and their university. Because we will be proud of it, we will be glad we did it, and we will miss it when it is finished. And next year about this time we will wish we were creating a new one. We will.
Who's Who — Recognition For Superior Involvement

Each year Western Michigan University selects from its ranks approximately fifty students who for various reasons are deemed worthy of extra recognition for their superior involvement with a variety of university functions and organizations. These students are chosen in conjunction with the national publication of "Who's Who Among America's Universities and Colleges", and presented with plaques commorating this distinction at a banquet put on in their honor.
Immediate Left: In memory of Fred who broke his leg and we had to "shoot" him! Above Right: The Gator laying back after a tiring day with the Utah Snow Snakes.
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AWS Awareness Week — Gosh Girls We're Great
Winter
Honors College Tours China

TO CHINA WITH EXCITEMENT

In the fall of 1974 there was considerable speculation that Western Michigan University's Honors College might be allowed to embark on a tour of the People's Republic of China before the academic year's end. Rumors were confirmed that at least an attempt was being made, when the Honors College sent out a notice asking all persons interested in making such a tour to apply with the college, and shortly thereafter another notice followed stating that permission had indeed been received.

The tour was scheduled to leave Kalamazoo on March 31 and return on May 4, with twenty actual days, April 5 to 24, to be spent in the Republic of China itself.

Twenty students accompanied by Dr. Alfred K. Ho, a WMU professor of economics born in Peking, Dr. John R. Lindbeck, professor of industrial education, and Dr. Samuel I. Clark, professor of political science and director of the Honors College, soon left classes and work behind as the Honor's College Seminar to the People's Republic of China got underway. En route stops included Hawaii, Tokyo, and Hong Kong, with the seminar finally entering China itself on April 5, 1975.

The Honor's College group carried their baggage and cameras over the now famous covered bridge at Shunchun, Kwangtung Province, to be welcomed by smiling Chinese and provided a sumptuous Chinese dinner. Hours later the party rode a comfortable train to Kwangchow (Canton), sipping tea while traveling through reforested hills, green rice paddies, small villages—all picture-familiar Chinese scenes, now in leaf and rock and brick. Before the day ended the group enjoyed another delicious Chinese meal, a visit to Kwangchow parks, and a tour of The National Institute of Peasant Movement, established by Mao Tse Tung in 1926, a shrine to the history of the Communist movement in China. The WMU party was housed in The Eastern Guest House across the street from the new Kwangchow Trade Fair Building.

The next morning came a visit to the Ping Chou Commune, lush in

LONG LIVE THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA!
spring, with its Revolutionary Committee leadership proud of accomplishments: population 68,000; area approximately eleven thousand acres. China was crowded with people. Rice was Ping Chou's principal crop (90%), vegetables next. But Communes also had small industries, schools, hospitals and recreational facilities. They were communized agrarian communities, substantially Self-sufficient, self-managed, and they were where most Chinese live.

A two hour flight by China's CCAC Airline lands the group in Shanghai. The plane was packed, the cabin music loud and joyful—songs praising work, the Revolution and service to the people. Shanghai, the largest industrial city in China, was where the Honors Seminar toured China's permanent Industrial Exhibition Hall, a vast complex of buildings containing everything from industrial stamping presses to musical instruments.

The Shanghai Docks were visited. A wandering eye found a Michigan Equipment machine in use—Hurrah! The WMU group met with the Revolutionary Committee managing Work Zone No. Five of the docks, and talked with workers. A common theme was often heard: before Liberation (1949) employment was uncertain, wages low, conditions deplorable. Now things were stable, work for everyone, conditions of employment much better. True, wages were still low, but there was medical care, pensions, no inflation work saving machines and worker participation in management.

These same themes were repeated again at Shanghai Truck Factory No. Two, and at Tientsin Carpet Factory No. One. The trucks made were sturdy with no frills; they look like American military vehicles. They were part of the now industrializing China, to be used in China for the development of China. The carpets were gorgeous—handmade works of art. Largely they were sold abroad to earn foreign currency. The Chinese couldn't afford such luxuries but were proud of the skill required to make them.

Nanking was the former capital of China, was a beautiful city and full of leafing trees and flowers. There, for the first time, birds were seen—swallows in the old imperial part. And
in Nanking rose the impressive mausoleum of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, first president of China. Both Kuomintang and Communist China revered this American educated leader of Twentieth Century China.

The WMU group next visited a petrochemical plant and, of course, the great Nanking Bridge over the Yangtze River, a two level span, highway above—railroad below, nine years a'building by five thousand builders.

Tientsin was reached from Nanking by overnight train and was another industrial city, like Shanghai, held for years in divided plots by foreign "imperialists"—the British section, the French, the Japanese, the Italians, etc. Happily there was never an American section, as such, but American soldiers were posted in China during the imperialist period and Americans like others claimed exemption from Chinese governance.

The WMU group settled down to China—the hospitality, the wonderful food. Students went out in the city with young Chinese guides. They could go where they wished but the language barrier was always formidable.

Nankai University was visited—a spacious place with an unbelievable student—faculty ratio of one to three. University students must all work for two years in a factory or on a commune before being accepted into universities. There was no tuition and no charge for board or room, but reciprocal services to the university were expected. Later the group visited Peking University, a prestigious place, and the University for Minorities.

It was a short train ride to Peking, capital of 840 million people, the largest organized population on earth. Peking proved to be vast and open. Like elsewhere in China it was planted with thousands of young trees. Reforestation was a major program of the new China. Also like elsewhere, billboards or banners professed the words of Chairman Mao: "Serve the People", "Be Self-Reliant", "Remember the Masses", "Walk on Two Legs", "China has Friends All Over the World", "China looked to foreign eyes to be a land of slogans, urging people to respect work, study Marx and Mao, continue the Revolution, increase production, and see the errors of Confucius and Lin Piao.

The Great Wall was a must. Heartier students climbed to the highest rampart; faculty retraced the path of Richard Nixon. Impressive. Were it in the United States it would stretch from Maine to Montana.

The group stayed longest in Peking and were most at ease there. Spring followed the Honors Seminar. The Summer Palace was in blossom. Finally there was the packing for home and farewells. Baggage weight increased. China International Travel
arranged a delicious meal of Peking duck, at the Peking Duck Restaurant with much Mao Thai (Chinese whiskey) and beer. The Chinese guides had been wonderful, the weeks eight days long; the days, twenty-five hours. A direct flight took the group back to Kwangchow, a short train ride led to the border, and the covered bridge stretched again over the River Shumchun, back to Hong Kong and eventually home.

All in all the participants in WMU’s Honors College Seminar to China found the tour an extraordinary experience. Cameras clicked at every conceivable object that seemed to shout China and the Orient to unfamiliar American eyes. The group witnessed a strong and resilient country, peopled by seemingly countless millions of tough, hard working people, and saw it at its very best, during the most beautiful time of the year, spring.

Many came away with an image of a land filled with paradoxes, a country teeming with millions of peasants tilling the soil to raise rice and other crops with the same methods they had used for centuries, yet housing cities where industrialization had top priority, with huge industrial and chemical plants manufacturing modern and technical produce. The drab architecture and clothing starkly contrasted with the magnificent flower gardens and the beautiful and artistic Chinese rugs for sale to foreigners. Also there seemed somewhat of a personality mobilization that seemed contradictory. The Seminar group found the Chinese to be masters of “kindergarten diplomacy”, using groups of smiling children everywhere to accent the happy, almost carefree attitude that quickly brings smiles and pleasant impressions to visitors; while the adult generation remained more reserved, quietly, diligently, and patiently going about their work.

China: a land of immense proportions and contradictions, as a country, a people, and a meeting ground for the past and the future.
Winter Sports
Skaters Capture CCHA Division II Championship

Come on world, we'll take ya on, right now. Western Michigan's hockey team looked like world beaters for much of the season, taking all comers and mauling them, without mercy. Scoring records fell like dominoes all season long. The red scoring lamp burned constantly game after game. They roared through Division II undefeated in eight games leaving no light unlit in their conquest. Venturing out of the Division, they convincingly beat Bowling Green at home and away, at a time when the BG's were ranked in the top ten in the nation. However, the high flying Broncos were shot down by Lake Superior State and St. Louis University later in the season as both teams defeated the ice men twice before they advanced to the CCHA Division II playoffs in St. Louis where again the Billikens of St. Louis ended the Bronco’s season on the lower side of the scoreboard, but with a fine nineteen and eight record.

With only two seniors on the team, freshmen and sophomores nearly dominated every aspect of the season. Tim Dunlop and Neal Smith (both freshmen), set scoring records in their
first year in college hockey; Dunlop for single season records for points and goals, while Smith set marks in scoring for defensemen. Rob Hodge, Murray Pickle (yet another freshman), Phil Eve, Bob Gardiner, Steve Smith, Jeff Linsay, Randy Moy, and others too numerous to mention fired shots at rapid paces leaving the goalies shell shocked from the onslaught. Goalies Weldon Good and Steve Roth turned back shots of opponents with ease and allowed for the intense offensive attack unleashed at the other end of the ice. Dunlop was named most valuable player while Eve was the most improved despite missing five games with injuries.

Playing in the new Lawson Ice Arena, the Broncos were able to play in one of the finest arenas in the country and took full advantage of it. Next season they will host the Division I playoffs here. Packed to capacity nearly every game, there was no lack of support all season long.

Only the mere formalities are left to lift Western Michigan's hockey team into Division I next season. It involves playing Bowling Green, Ohio State, Lake Superior State, and St. Louis numerous times and being successful enough times to reach the tournaments again. The youthfulness of the team will carry them far next year, as each year this team gets better and better. Next year it will be tougher but look for the Bronco icemen to go far.
Bronco Basketball Team Comes Within Second

Woe, for a few seconds less. Not once or twice but three times Western's basketball team lost in the last few seconds of the game due to shots taken at the buzzer, swishing through the net, and leaving the Broncos standing defeated, victory whisked from their clenching hands. The difference meant at least a tie for the conference championship for Western, their first shot at the title since 1951-52 when they went all the way.

Western started the season with all underclassmen save one on the floor and proved that they were indeed something to contend with. Records fell and stars shone as they put together their finest season since 1962-63 season. Finishing with a sixteen and ten mark, it included victories over Oral Roberts, University of Detroit, Miami, and Ohio University twice. Late in the season the Broncos broke a streak of seventeen consecutive MAC road losses with victories over Ohio University, Kent State, and Toledo.

During the second half of the season every game played was a big game as the MAC race for the crown was the tightest race anywhere in the nation. The Broncos fought with Central Michigan (the eventual champs), Bowling Green, Toledo, and Miami of Ohio neck and neck for the right to be number one. Crushing defeats by Central and Bowling Green sent the hopes of Western down the drain, leaving them in the spoiler role, finally sending Toledo to the graveyard of fallen contenders in the last game of the season.

Western played its typical tough defense all season along with a well balanced scoring attack. Jeff Tyson led the team in scoring with Tom Cutter, Jimmie Harvey, Jim Kurzen, and Paul Griffen supplementing the offensive thrust. Griffen led the team in rebounding and was named the most valuable player and most improved player of the season, the first time one person has won both awards in the same year. Cutter, the only sophomore in the starting line up, set single season and career shooting percentage records in his second year on the varsity. Jim Kurzen, a junior, broke his own record for assists set last year in his role as play maker.

Bench strength made the team hard to beat as S.L. Sales, Dale DeBruin, and the team's only senior, Mike Bivens came off the bench to give the boost when it was needed. Coach Eldon Miller made good use of them to keep his team in the running all season long.

In out of conference play, Western entertained the likes of Michigan, Michigan State, and Notre Dame, losing all three games, but giving Michigan State and Notre Dame a real run for their money before bowing out in the last few seconds of both games.
A young experienced club began the season and gave the campus more to talk about and more excitement than it has had in numerous past years. Playing every game to the hilt, they went farther than anyone would have expected, leaving in their trails, dazed and startled opponents. It was a good season for this team and promises more of them in the future.
Gymnastics — Record Breaking Season

Going into the season as the defending Lake Erie League gymnastic champions puts a lot of pressure on a team and the Broncos dropped just a little in the league meet despite a disappointing four and eight dual meet showing on the season. Led by freshman sensation Rich Heil and co-captains Mark O’Malley and Bill Waddell they finished second in the showdown for top spot.

O’Malley repeated as league champ in overall at the finals but it was Heil who went to the NCAA regionals for the Broncos.

Numerous team records fell this season as O’Malley, Heil and Waddell broke most of them, each upping their own career records to rank in the top three in the history of the school.

Youngsters galore dominated this year’s team and promise better and bigger things for Western Michigan in gymnastics.

Tankers Shatter 13 School Records — 5th In MAC

The waterbound version of the Western Michigan University Broncos broke in a new pool this year as well as most of the school records. Finishing with an eight and five record, they went to the league meet and broke thirteen of the seventeen existing school records while finishing fifth in the MAC.

Led by senior co-captains, Kevin McCulley and Dan McLean, the Broncos paddled through the season with a crew of mostly freshmen and sophomores.

The record breakers included McCulley, McLean, Terry Breest, Gary Hoffman, and in the relays, Bart Branden and Ken Dove. Others who performed well were Neil Stinson and Greg Brannick. With most of these, and in fact all but the co-captains coming back next year, it looks to be a most interesting season with experience on Western's side.
Bronco Grapplers Finish Eighth In MAC: Martin Goes To NCAA Tourney

Ready, wrestle. In the case of Western's Bill Cox, chances were better than fifty-fifty that he would pin his man. Such was not the case for the rest of the team. The matmen finished the season with a six and six record and three and four in the MAC. In the league meet they finished eighth with one shining star. Gary Martin at 150 lbs. won his weight division and went to the NCAA meet only to lose his second match there.

Cox at 190 lbs. finished the year with a fourteen, three and one record including ten pins, a school record. His career total of eighteen ranks second among Western matmen.

Mark Sands had an excellent season for the Broncos finishing with a fifteen and six record, the most victories on the squad. Martin ended his quest for a national championship with a fourteen, five and one record.

FLASH! I.M. sports continue to be the most popular game on campus. Every winter sports activity has shown an increase in participation from last year. At last, something good has risen from the holocaust of terror and financial destruction waged upon us by something out of our control.

Who plays intramural sports? Everyone from Greeks to dorm rats, freaks to jocks, and students to profs. It's the only event or activity on campus that doesn't suffer from that horrible disease student apathy. Basketball, volleyball, hockey, swimming, all kinds of paddleball and racquetball, bowling, wrestling, and the newest sport, inner tube co-ed water polo have risen in the number of teams and individuals participating for awards and fun. It involves all sports from team activities to individual ones, showing all kinds of talent from those that just dabble in them to those who really show a real proficiency in their chosen sport.

I.M. sports give a break, from the rat-race-run-around that all students are stuck in, to blow off some steam and let themselves go for just a few minutes before going back to that too real world of studies and exams. It's a world where no one cares if you can do it or not, where there’s no grade on what you do. Just the fact that you do it is enough to keep anyone from
IM’s — For Everybody
caring. It’s where all students can get
together and have fun at something
where the results aren’t really impor-
tant, only that you went and tried,
perhaps to remove some of that spare
tire that tends to appear during the
winter months of school. I.M. sports
are the students.
WMU Girls Run Off With State Championship!

The girls from Western Michigan University, ranked number one all season long, took the state title this winter ending a very successful season on the hardwood. While running up a sixteen and five record on the year, they beat University of Michigan, Michigan State, Eastern Michigan, Ferris State, and Calvin College in their climb to the top of the pack.

Coach Fran Ebert led her girls from the state title to the quarter-finals of the regionals before bowing to Indiana University after defeating Ball State in a previous regional game.

In addition to their fine record the Broncos scored better than sixty-nine points per game while holding their opponents to just fifty a game.

Led by Phyliss Cupp's rebounding and shooting with help from Ann Kasdorff, Terri Beattie, Alicia McNees, Mary Bramble, and Kris Metzmaker, they roared through the season leaving the opposition bewildered and dazed, sprawling in their trail. They showed the most successful season of all the winter sports at Western Michigan, both Men's and Women's, certainly something to be proud of.
Front Row: Vanessael Rancifer, Mary Bramble, Ann Kasdorf, Maria Plew, Deb Crawford, Nancy Wedell. Back Row: Coach Fran Ebert, Terri Beattie, Kay Scott, Phyllis Cupp, Alicia McNees, Sue Dost, Kris Metzmakes.

Beauty And Grace

Spinning, twirling, bodies twisting through the air and balancing on beams, as though suspended by invisible wires from the sky. The feats seem almost mystifying as if they couldn’t possibly be done.

The women’s gymnastics team typifies the attitude of and philosophy of the women’s athletic department. They stress hard work and satisfaction from being able to accomplish what they have attempted, and are able to be proud that they were able to do it and do it well. This is the only reward of gymnastics, not the prestige of glory and honor, mixed in with various honors and scholarships.

The beauty and grace of gymnastics comes out in the gymnastics division of the women’s athletic department at Western Michigan University.
Groups
**GREEKS PART I**

To be a Greek or not to be a Greek was a question faced by many during their attendance at colleges across the country. For a time both the fraternities and sororities seemed to be headed toward extinction. Each year brought a drop in membership, and corresponding losses in activities, participation, and influence on the campus scene. The war was still on and suddenly those who had been high school kids sent to college, turned into political activists, or at least politically aware students, with more "relevant" things to do than go through some silly initiation rites.

But, with the pullout of American troops from the battlefields of Southeast Asia, and the power demise of Richard Nixon, things quieted down on the campuses, the Greeks began their slow, but steady comeback. Gradually, chapters that had been losing ground began a comeback. Pledges began to rise in numbers, and once again the Greek ranks began to swell with both pride and numbers. Somehow being Greek wasn't passe' anymore. Greeks as a segment of the campus community proved to have a surprising resiliency. The static image of Greeks as babbling groups of rich kid's cliques, and drunkards staging egocentric stag parties, began to crumble under the weight of new emphasis by both the Greeks, and their critics, on actual accomplishments. Perhaps the community involvement with blood drives, dance marathons, muscular dystrophy, charities, and hauling floats in the Gilmore's Thanksgiving Day parade, had all been part of the past too, but they took on new significance as students came back from inauguration protests, and greeting parties for returning soldiers and POW's, with a new awareness of the world around them.

That was the difference for many. They had experienced a brief flirtation with student politics, tasted both the power and frustration. Suddenly there was a new relationship formed with the world, outside the normal confines of a college education. Rather than merely waiting another four years to enter into the mainstream of society, many students found themselves caught up

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with changing its direction directly from the campus. These were the people who often deserted the fraternities and sororities as symbols of the old order. To many the Greeks of the early 1960's were the establishment. They were not only to be abandoned, but despised.

But as stereotyped as Greeks have been in the past, they were always more than that. Just because someone was Greek didn't mean he or she automatically stood up and saluted every time the American flag, big business, or Ronald Reagan came up in a conversation. Many Greeks became as concerned and involved with the world as anyone. They too lived and reacted to the mind-boggling turmoil and changes going on daily around them. They did not close it out. They did not ignore it in their haste for a good time. They did not hide within the confines of their own little groups, and support themselves with feeling of superiority to the situations around them. Greeks were being drafted too. They were young men and women living in a great country angry at itself for not being greater. And Greeks, too, as Americans, experienced that anger.

So the Greeks survived because they were Americans too. Their ways, with its traditions, rites, initiations, taboos, and fraternity; which may have seemed special to some and totally irrelevant to others; kept alive because of a basic vitality greater than any one element present in their own closed society.

And these same elements put together in each fraternity or sorority, provided the basis of cohesion that is making the Greeks once again a success on the campuses. Being a Greek has become akin to gaining an extra society to live in, one that offers special fellowship and experiences, rather than excluding a society that seems too huge and impersonal to be of any interest to a group of people who have themselves.

NON-GREEKS—Part II

So why isn't everyone a Greek? A good question coming off the above optimistic assessment of the Greeks in the mid 70's, but one that still has several good answers. Obviously, not everyone is cut out to be a Greek, though there may be several reasons why.

Perhaps the most important reason is that not everyone desires a great deal of fraternity with any one group of people, or, for that matter, any people at all. There will always be loners in any context of the world community, the campus community being no exception. These people (and there are millions more who go through a "phase" or "phases" of enforced individualism) either simply prefer their own company, the privacy of their own thoughts and actions, or they are afraid to share them with others. There are both kinds, with most people in today's world
Friendship For Friendship’s Sake

commit themselves to an activity or organization, decide against joining the Greek community. For them there are more important things to do. For some this takes the shape of volunteering their time and talents to special service organizations that need their help. Tutoring, working with handicapped, or spending time with drug or alcohol rehabilitation centers, are just a few of the possibilities for those who feel that their time is better spent serving the community and their fellow humans in this manner. Finally, there are those that devote themselves to their religion, and/or its own special experiences and services. Today there are many religious organizations on the college and university campuses. Some are simply Christian, Jewish, or Iskimic, etc. oriented, others cater to individual Christian Sects. Each, however, seek to serve both its members and humankind through the elements of its own particular belief systems, with the hope of bettering the world as each sees fit to aim towards.

Another reason is strictly one of economics, or practicality. Being a Greek, and a member of a social system that must both support itself in order to perpetuate itself, and occa-

being one or the other, or both, at some time in their lives.

Others avoid what some consider the “Greek syndrome” simply because of a different system of priorities in their lives. For many the one and only thing important to them when they come to college is to get a formal education that provides merely the next step up the ladder of their career ambitions. Their work becomes the motivating factor in their life, leaving to little time or interest for involvement with others. Or, perhaps, other commitments keep them out of the Greek folds. Family life is not unheard of in and around the campus community. Many students have or gain their own families to raise and take care of while they are still attending school. Having a job to support themselves, and/or a family, can take away any time that may well have been devoted to a fraternity or sorority association. Still others, who have the time and energy to
sionally contribute to other elements of their encompassing society, costs money. Being a member in certain fraternities or sororities (usually those primarily based on social or professional association functions, as opposed to strictly service fraternities) can easily cost into the hundreds of dollars, strictly within four years of the usual college stay, a time that is often full of financial difficulty if not downright instability for many students.

Finally, there are many people who simply prefer to have their friends for friendship’s sake, who don’t need or simply don’t care to have their friendships within the often artificial surroundings of the Greek community. How and why people can and do become and remain friends is one of the delightful mysteries of life. Relationships between two or more people build out of a variety of things, be it so trivial as appearance, or as basic as an indefinable attraction between ideas, beliefs, and experiences be they contradictory, complementary, or mutually confusing. What attracts or repels certain people from each other is not a mere chemical ingredient in their bodily or mental systems that can be isolated and analyzed. Let it suffice to say that is something within everyone, affected by their society, with its prejudices, preconceptions, politics, and pressures, by their environments, including its location, population, and integration, and by their personalities, which is both a product of the above two factors, and an element in itself, to be developed from within.
Alpha Kappa Psi is a national professional business fraternity of over one hundred and eighty chapters throughout the nation. For the last two years, GAMMA TAU chapter of Western Michigan University, was rated Number One in efficiency points. The largest professional activity sponsored by Alpha Kappa Psi is Career Day, put on each Fall and Winter semester. New this year is the bi-monthly publication of Speaking Business, which gives information concerning the College of Business and the general business world. Alpha Kappa Psi also sponsors a Coffee Hour, where students can meet faculty on an informal basis. Located at 604 Douglas, Alpha Kappa Psi provides many professional events, trips, and speakers, as well as social events.

Alpha Kappa Psi
Career Day — Alpha Kappa Psi’s Baby

Career Day, sponsored by Alpha Kappa Psi, is an attempt to bring students and prospective employers together on an informal basis. For underclassmen, it gives an excellent opportunity to research different career possibilities. For upperclassmen, it provides information on current job openings and requirements. Career Day is a major function of Alpha Kappa Psi Fraternity, giving all students more information concerning their desired career.
Phi Mu: People — Parties — Promises


Phi Mu is: people, parties and promises; happiness, hope and humor; individuality, inspiration and initiation; member, mystery and meaning; upright, useful and unified. Together we make up the bond of Phi Mu!
The Phi Sigs have emerged as one of the strongest fraternities on the campus as they continue to promote brotherhood and outstanding quality. In the past year, the chapter has grown quite a bit and with the support of the Little Sisters, has been able to make a good showing at all Greek events, usually being involved in the production of them. The economic situation of the country hasn’t stopped any of the activities that Phi Sigma Kappa does including the following of Western’s basketball team to places like Michigan State and Eastern Michigan University. If someone is going somewhere, chances are good that a brother will be going along. Spreading brotherhood and outstanding character around has been and will continue to be the primary objective of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Phi Sigs — One Of The Strongest

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a national Greek-letter society, having more than six hundred chapters located in fifty states. It was founded at Howard University in Washington D.C. on January 13, 1913 by a group of twenty-two undergraduate women. Even today, ten of these women continue to play a significant role in the activities of our organization. In 1953, our undergraduate chapter, Delta Epsilon, was founded on Western's Campus. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. with a majority of members who are Black, has a vital interest in the welfare of minority groups and in human rights. In the fall of 1972, a Loan Fund was established on Western's Campus, and just recently a scholarship Fund has been established especially for freshmen which encompasses book fees for their first year at the University.

Throughout the year, we participate with a Teen Lift Program at Para Learning Center. During sessions we share our college experiences and provide various crafts activities, such as needle point, sewing and decoupage. In addition to our service projects, a Thanksgiving Benefit Dance is held annually with proceeds given to families in need in the Kalamazoo area.

Although primarily a service organization, we have traditionally sponsored two major social activities; an "Ice Breaker" dance in September, where freshmen have their first real opportunity to observe Black Greek Organizations, and a "Final Fling" dance in April.

Usually one week in the fall semester, Rush activities are planned to acquaint interested women with the current members, ideals, and purposes of Delta. Each year, we welcome qualified women to join the ranks of our sisterhood.

We would like to dedicate this page to our graduating Seniors: Marsha Bowman, Pamela Dilworth, Alberta Fountain, Joyce Jackson, Mollie Kirkendall, Francine Moore, Gloria Postell, Karen Spiller, Altheria Thomas, Nancy Walker, Mamie White.
The Kappa Mu Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta has become one of the most active fraternities on campus in its short three one hundredth year history. Since becoming the one hundredth Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta in 1972, the Fijis have won the National Red Cross Blood Drive six semesters in a row and last year were named the most involved fraternity on campus. Sticking to this tradition, the Fijis this year have collected for the March of Dimes and Muscular Dystrophy, while supporting such campus wide activities as “Matchmaking 75” and Homecoming. With thirty active brothers returning next year, the Fijis of Western Michigan University are looking forward to another good year.
Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Back Row: Dick Redmond; Paul Jankowski; Jim Saracino; Doug Jackson; Howie Wooden; Bob Kaiser; Jim MacConnachie; Pete Redebaugh; Greg Young; Steve Cahill; Jame Miller; Gary Hool; Paul Dodds; Bob Porter; Tim Calcagno; Middle Row: Tom Fuller; John Barnett; Jack Moran; Steve Goodrich; Dana Smith; Doug Schauer; Lou Hyde; Pete Steffen; Kneeling: Steve Henes; Keith Armstrong; Chris Cotzias; Rick Basse; Bob Wittowynski; Jeff Hurst; John Watkins; Mari Barton.
Sigma Alpha Epsilon was founded March 9, 1956 at the University of Alabama. SAE is the largest national fraternity with a great heritage and many strong alumni associations all over the United States. SAE is known nationally as a singing fraternity and at Western the brothers keep up the tradition. Sigma Alpha Epsilon has been on Western's campus since 1961. SAE is proud of the fact that its brothers have served on many campus organizations in its fourteen years, many times as executives of the organizations. The 1974-75 school year was a great one for SAE. It doubled in both spirit and size and was again a pacesetter for fraternities on Western's campus. SAE won the golf and swimming competition for fraternities as well as doing well in other sports. It is also proud of its tradition of being one of the top fraternities at Western for academic excellence.

Back Row: Jim Saracino (Social Chairman); Rick Busse (House Manager); Jim MacConna-chie (Rush Chairman); Pete Steffen (Pledge Trainer); Greg Young (Treasurer); John Barnett (Little Sister Liason); Front Row: Gary Hool (Corresponding Secretary); Maril Barton (President); Steve Heves (Vice President); Pete Redebaugh (Secretary).

1st Row: Karen Crowel; Nancy Rex; Judy McNitt; 2nd Row: Patty Cole; Katie Engel; 3rd Row: Elaine Hendrickson; Connie Coffield; Cheryl Wanston; 4th Row: Carmen Montegano; Mary Ewert; Ruthan Schmaltzer; 5th Row: Karen Podrasci; Jinny Crossley; 6th Row: Pam Fratzke; Lori Rybarz.
Sigma Pi, a group of concerned individuals, has put together another fantastic year on Western's campus. And full of such events as raising eight hundred dollars for ALSAC with the fifty-four hour Seesaw Marathon, Toboggan parties, and sponsoring a trip to Daytona Beach, Florida. We are having another great season in Intramurals. Taking First place in: Soccer (sixth year running), Tennis and Badminton. This is just a mere sample of our prowess that has vaulted us into the position of variable shoe-in for the All-Sports Trophy (the third time in four years). And that doesn't even include our many other triumphs here at Western Michigan University.
Sigma Pi — Another Fantastic Year

Alpha Chi Omega — Smiling Faces, Going Places

Alpha Chi's come a long way since 1885! One of the most active sororities on campus, divides their time with chapter activities, AWS, ASG, and many other campus organizations. Comprised of about forty-five members, all as different as snowflakes, and yet united by the bond of sisterhood. Alpha Chi — smiling faces, going places.
A Desire For Self-Improvement

Beta Alpha Psi is the national professional accounting fraternity comprised of honor students. The purposes of the fraternity as expressed in its constitution are: “To instill in its members a desire for continuing self-improvement; to foster high moral and ethical standards in its members; to encourage and give recognition to scholastic and professional excellence; to cultivate a sense of responsibility and service in its members; to promote the collegiate study of accounting; and to provide opportunities for association among its members and practicing accountants.”

The members of the chapter elect four student officers to guide chapter affairs: president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer. Committees are appointed to assist the officers in discharging their responsibilities for such matters as election of members, banquets, special speakers, field trips, nomination of officers and other professional and social events. A faculty vice-president serves as an advisor to the chapter.

Beta Alpha Psi
First In Greek Week — Sorority Division

Row 1: (L-R) Ann DeMeyer; Barb Fox; Mary Swan; Melanie Kuster; Cindy Wikel; Sue HoganCamp; Gloria Matarwe; Drew Page; Karen Prepelac; Renee Graham; Row 2: (L-R) Lora Clift; Ann Hazen; Meg Schultz; Cheryl Spiloe; Debbie Martin; Cathy Corkin; Holly Argue; Elise Corbishdale; Kathy Bradford; Julie Meier; Ann Burchard; Candy Coffield; Row 3: (L-R) Marcia Kuster; Chris Weiss; Joni Neely; Laurie Winters; Toma Haymaker; Sharon Harness; LuAnn Paletta; Rhonda Germany; Julie Howe; Wendy Winkler.

Alpha Phi
First in Greek Week — Sorority Division, and Second in Homecoming Yell-Like-Hell Contest are just two of the many awards won by the Alpha Phi's this year. Sparked by two fantastic pledge classes, the Phi's had a new growth of spirit and enthusiasm.

Involvement is a key word to describe this year as the Phi's participated in many activities both on campus and in the community. Along with this was a strengthening of sisterhood and unity within the chapter. This could be seen at T.G.'s and other events as the Phi Bears sang and cheered at the top of their lungs.

Alpha Phi, a sisterhood and a unity. It's a life of fun, involvement, responsibility and one rich with friends.
Sigma Phi Epsilon — Growing

Sigma Phi Epsilon boasted the largest pledge class on campus for Winter-75. These pledges plus the sixteen active members worked together to establish their name at WMU. Brotherhood was well shown in the chapter’s involvement, especially during the Miller’s can collecting contest when we outmaneuvered all other campus organizations to come away with the Grand Prize, a Technics quadrophonic sound system. Campus involvement was also shown by having brothers in IFC, MUB, ASG, varsity baseball, football, and wrestling.

Sigma Phi Epsilon, a growing organization of devoted men who work hard to have the most dynamic brotherhood on campus.

Bigger And Better Activities

Phi Sigma Epsilon went onto bigger and better activities in the 1974-75 school year. When it came to an event to compete in, the “Phi Sigs” motto is “It’s not if you win or lose, it was how you did it with brotherhood.

When it comes to a party Phi Sigma Epsilon uses their imagination to make it an unforgettable occasion. Phi Sigma Epsilon had their annual “Phi Sig Day” in March for all the brothers in Michigan and the surrounding states. In addition to social activities the brothers, the brothers also joined in with the Chi Omega Sorority to sponsor a Christmas Party for foster children in connection with the Foster Parents Association. Phi Sigs — an unforgettable group.
Chi Omegas have had a year worth remembering...a terrific Fall Rush and a fired up pledge class of fifteen...a Halloween Party with a Haunted House!...closed dance at Carousel Mountain...playing Santa to foster children at Christmas...vacations (Florida!)...our "Hooters of the Week"...Derby Day and Queen Lorie...TG's...parties...Coke dates at the Union...Uncle Cowboy's cards and flowers...super campus involvement...Three Who's Who...friends...sisterhood, and all of us together!
Alpha Phi Omega — Active Service Organization

Alpha Phi Omega, the National Service Fraternity, is an active service organization on the campus. With our largest event, the bi-annual Red Cross Blood Drives, we also have a standing project of escorting elderly people to see performances at Miller Auditorium, and have expanded our assistance to the Boy Scouts of America, helping their program of service to boys in our community.

Our little sisters were also actively involved in carrying out our service oriented activities throughout the year.
Sigma Chi, the number one fraternity on campus, had another fabulous fall semester. Among our conquests are a Championship Football Team, the winning Homecoming float and one of the best Dad’s Days ever.

Some highlights of the year: First place in the Blood Drive, a great show in sports, fine pledge classes, Mom’s Day and Pledge Banquet. With Derby Day finishing off the year with a bang.

1. Steve Bradford; 2. Doug Dawadowski; 3. Rick Aro; 4. Mark Hoekstra; 5. Steve Scheuler; 6. Kim Kimball; 7. Tom Woodward; 8. Chuck Risak; 9. John Cullen; 10. Al Gustafson; 11. Larry Well; 12. Henry Pleifer; 13. Ken Beir; 14. Terry Wing; 15. Bob MacIntyre; 16. Dan Stuart; 17. Dan Dawidowski; 18. Bob Hagenburg; 19. Chuck Younglove; 20. Andy Lungren; Not Pictured: Tim Crawford; Bruce Wilson; Mike Henne; Mike Ban; Rich Alger; Mike Florez; Kevin Plank; Bill Hoddy; Rick Watkins; Dave Byrum; Brad Burt; Pete Bradshaw; Boby Stuart; John Griffin; Bill Johnson; Jim Hitz; Jim Mateer; Dave Almasain; Jim Bryant; Mike Parker; Brian Chesley; John McGulgen; Paul Lockwood; Bruce Marling; Rick Thomas; Kelly Markey; Fred Jeffers; Terry Smith; Dave Burke; Dennis Dudewicz; Tom Wagar; Jeff Rexer; Craig Overlock; Jerry Schadt.
What are Alpha Sigs you ask? A conglomeration of many things — Raggedy Anns, Who's Who representatives, unusual laughs, retreats, IM and intercollegiate bowlers, Mom's Day and Dad's Day banquets, helping the mentally retarded, Alumnae dinner dances, members of Kappa Delta Phi education honorary fraternity, potlucks, kidnaps, and volunteer workers for the community to name a few. But most of all we're sisters, sharing the ups and downs of daily life.

Top Row: Julia Clary; Julie Graham; Elaine Rybka; Nancy Johnson; Debbie Orthner; Bottom Row: Kandy Kobar; Sara Gratton; Carol Rzeszewski; Renee Greep; Mary George.
Sigma Sigma Sigma — A Perpetual Bond

Sigma Sigma Sigma's goals include high scholastic attainment, a perpetual bond of friendship and high ideals of character. Sigma's philanthropic project is the Robbie Page Memorial, a fund used to finance a polio therapy program, at Chapel Hill, North Carolina, recently expanded to Cardinal Glennon Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri. Activities that Beta Rho Sigmas partake in include a Christmas party for deprived children, Pledge Formal, Halloween Costume Party, Homecoming Teas for Alumnae, Dad's and Mom's Day Dinner and Programs, and various other social activities and service projects.

Delta Zeta — Continuing Involvement

Delta Zeta, continuing their involvement in activities within the campus and community, co-hosted a dance marathon raising ten thousand dollars, contributed their time and effort to the March of Dimes Association, and various other fund raising activities throughout the year. We also co-hosted a tropical plant sale. Through these activities and other campus involvement, the Delta Zeta's spirit has remained high and strong. Our unity as a group is a contribution of each girl's individuality.

WMU Greeks—Getting Involved.

In the midst of apathy throughout college campuses across the nation, Greeks at Western are struggling to provide the students here with an opportunity to become involved in campus and community activities, and to hopefully instill leadership qualities and an interest for social activation in them for years to come.

The first major step for Western's Greeks in accomplishing this goal of total campus involvement lies in dispelling many of the stereotypes presently held of the "typical" Greek. The time has passed when Greeks can only be considered in terms of beer bashes and snobbishness. Considering the variety of philanthropic projects sponsored by Greeks here at Western and across the country, and the mere fact that Greeks are reaching out to the whole campus, quickly dispells these generalizations.

The individual sororities and fraternities that make up the Greek system at Western are organized into two basic councils, or advisory groups. The social sororities and fraternities at Western are headed by the Panhellenic Council and the Inter-Fraternity Council, both of which work on a delegate principle.

The Inter-Fraternity Council and the Panhellenic Council are truly active organizations that divide their major purposes into four categories: first, social; second, chapter, or individual fraternity or sorority development; third, personal development; and fourth, public relations.

The social aspect of these two directing groups includes activities such as parties, beer bashes, or other get togethers between specific fraternities and sororities. There are other social activities undertaken by Greeks that, whether jointly or individually, are based on more than just a good time. A few include the President's Reception, Spring Sing on Mom's weekend, and the Homecoming Soapbox Derby; the last two being a joint event involving MUB, USCB, and AWS as well as IFC and Pan-Hel. Other Green social functions include going to nursing homes, and contributing to, and working for, the needy or handicapped.

The second important category of a activity overseen by IFC and Pan-Hel involves individual chapter development. While each fraternity or sorority has unlimited power to do almost anything, these two boards set up rules and guidelines which are designed for the fair treatment of all considered. One thing that comes under these guidelines is the rule that no fraternity or sorority may require pledges to do those things that could inflict physical or emotional harm on an individual. In addition to this advisory factor, many awards or certificates of achievement are given to a feeling of Greek unity and brotherhood among the members of the specific Greek organizations. But Greeks realize that not everyone is oriented to a fraternity. They similarly realize that not every fraternity or sorority is for every person. This attitude helps in creating a respectful, healthy, feeling amongst Greeks of different fraternities or sororities.

Other activities and opportunities promoted by WMU Greeks are guest speakers from different facets of the university, making students aware of the different facilities and opportunities available to them at Western, and contributing to the awareness of any individual living in our society.

However, good works and activity do not always gain much recognition. If the stereotypes of fraternities and sororities did not exist, there would be no need for public relations. So it is also a goal of all Greeks to increase communication and understanding between every branch of the university community and themselves. Western's Greeks have many far reaching goals for all of us here. We who have made outstanding achievements in campus, community, or academic endeavors.

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Advertising Club—In National Competition

Inter-Fraternity Council is the governing body of the fraternities on Western’s Campus. Combined with the support of the fraternities, they were able to have a very successful Greek Week, turn out the first edition of the Colliseum, a Greek newspaper, give recognition to outstanding hockey players, and become more of a strength among students organizations on Western’s campus.
Gamma Phi Beta

Happy-Go-Lucky Henry

All girl residents we may be
But happy-go-lucky and cheerful are we,
With twenty-four hour visitation rights
We come as we please, both day and night.
With pen in hand and Tab in other
We study hard and write to Mother;
Dances, movies, March of Dimes
"Mom" Jones and her gals enjoy good times;
All types of girls from near and far
Henry Honeys, yes we are!

Standing: Sally Spencer; Kathleen Quigley; Karen Krozal; JoAnn Thorn; Renee Graham; Claire Kavon; Linda Fowler; Mary Paulos; Middle Row: Polly Pease; Molly Kirklen; Theresa Bent; Marie Prendergast; Theresa Kessel; Audrey Serwick; Colleen Naguwa; Kim E. Pless; Vickie Bailey; Front Row: Donna Cromwell; Julie Clark; Michelle Negri; Claire Bellaver; Diana Michael; Laura Stevens.
Flexibility The Game — Zimmerman’s The Name

Whether bumping in the halls, demonstrating the latest way to eat peanut butter, singing or swinging with a happy song, or sitting long hours on a rocking chair for the March of Dimes — these nuns have good habits! And after all boys, where else would you expect to find the winners of “Yell Like Hell”?
3rd Co-ed Year And Going Strong — Davis Hall

Go To Bed Co-Ed! Yea Davis! The battle cry rang on through another year of sensational living in Davis Hall. With our fantastically huge rooms, bathrooms for every two of us, and a full set of fun-loving people filled with an earnest desire to succeed both academically and socially, we remained easily the best dorm on campus. At first the all junior, senior, grad student restriction had us worried. Would we end up to be just a bunch of old foggies that had their heads buried in their books all the time, or would the rheumatism keep us from our perennial games of volleyball? Hell no! When we got older, we got better! Our parties were better attended than ever, activities and programs increased, one (out of three) of our basketball teams won the intramural championship, the girls had a hell of a football team, and there were more than enough co-ed games going on inside to keep us all hopping.
Welcome to zee home of zee Vild Frenchies! Ve spent zee entire year talkzing and valkzing to zee classes, and partyzing, and partyzing, and partyzing. Not zat ve couldn't have fun without zee partyzing! Ve had zee houseful of funzee peoples whoze could make anyzing zee good time for youz and meez, and everybodzees!
Smith And Ernest—Burnhams With Class
The Number One Valley

Valley I Executive Board
President: Kathy Ellison
V. President: Harry Dalm
V. President: Susi Sherman
Secretary: Jenny Beck
Treasurer: Chris Rozack
Valley III — “More Of What You’re Looking For”

Welcome Back My Friends To The Show That Never Ends!!
Hoekie Hall — Happy, Hopping, Hip

Big, Bad, Beautiful, Bigelow

Standing: Jeff Moore, Treasurer; Tom Weidman, Secretary; Thomas Crawley, ASG Senator.
Seated: Renard Oliver, Social V.P.; Jim Fortunato, President; Bill Cataldo, Executive V.P.
Bigelow Hall has upheld its tradition of excellence in Residence Hall programming and concern with community affairs this past year. The residents of 4A organized a Talk-A-Thon to raise money for the Kalama zoo Burn Center, while at the same time they set a record for non-stop talking. We've presented movies, speakers, and have actively participated in Intramural sports.
Spring

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Welcome Back The Sun
Spring ...
1974-75 The Year In Raucous Retrospect

Summer semester. Do you all realize that so little happens on Western’s campus during the summer that we had trouble finding enough activities to take pictures of? Well, it wasn’t quite that bad, we did manage to find a few students sleeping under trees, and somehow came up with a sequence shot of the baby swans growing up. Not bad for a session’s work.

As is normal in the balmy, clammy, days of late summer in Kalamazoo, Western’s Fall 1974 semester started out with a characteristic whoosh and a bang and a slurp. Not surprisingly, the twenty thousand plus students that descended upon the campus in something under forty-eight hours found it not quite ready for their arrival. Good old Western was rushing to put the finishing touches on a curious circuitous road system that roped in the northern half of Western’s academic core, and sent everyone careening into the Health Center parking lot. The resulting mess and confusion only added to the annual traffic jam that accompanies such multitudes and their triple multitudes of luggage wherever they go, but got business at the Health Center off to a roaring start.

Sangren Hall, in the midst of being gutted in preparation for the installation of its shiny new air conditioning, was surrounded by stacks of tin pipes and infested with clouds of dust as workers crawled about their business.

And crawl they did. Work that was scheduled to be finished in December 1974 didn’t even come close, in fact there was some question whether it would ever get done, seeing as all the construction workers were always busy getting acquainted with the new secretaries. Meanwhile, back at the community, and the fall semester, restrooms, the rest of the university both got underway sometime in mid-November. Generally quiet and peaceful, most of the fall activity centered around the revitalization of the bars in Kalamazoo, with the university balancing budget with their ten percent of the take. The biggest riff of the semester proved to be a tiny little debate over the expense of President Bernhard’s new home. Never mind that the university already owned three other homes, they were all the wrong color.

But such activity hardly raised the dust that had settled over the dry.
dead, summer term, and not one to make waves, Coach Doolittle's toe-ball team decided to forfeit their season rather than cause anyone any undue excitement. Thus, with minimal fanfare, the Broncos went zero for five in the MAC, and Doolittle went to the showers.

Thanksgiving was terrific as thousands of students went home to chicken and dressing in the face of the country's worsening economic woes. But Davis Hall residents did their bit to stimulate the economy by having their stereos and typewriters recirculated into the market by a couple of early morning burglars who also managed to walk off with a cute little 1962 Ford Mercury, with a chrome radiator cap and bloodshot headlights.

Speaking of the country, Ol' Jerry Ford was sitting in the White House, passing out pardons to former presidents, and quickly losing the goodwill of the country and the congress as he floundered with domestic and foreign policy in his early days in the repainted oval office.

The auto industry was reeling from record low sales, layoffs were giving thousands much needed vacations and ninety-five percent of their paychecks for waiting gracefully. Not bad for those lazy, hazy, crazy, days of Fall 1974.

Which, of course, and after a brief respite for a jolly skimpy Christmas, quickly faded into Winter 1975, when things really started to warm up around the old bulkheads in the Student Services boiler room. Money was short all over, and while our basketball team was staying in the thick of the MAC race for the first time in years, and the Bronco skaters were cutting up their competition in their brand new arena, eating Bowling Greens for breakfast and getting shot down by the spirit of St. Louis, President Bernhard was sitting in his warm new home, ordering a hiring freeze for the university as word came down that the Guy was chopping five hundred big ones from the 1974-75 budget.
But money woes were hitting everyone. For example the Board of Trustees had to find a new way to prop up the dormitories as they faced up to repealing the parietal rule for freshmen and sophomores, which somehow happened to coincide with an increase in everyone's tuition by a dollar a credit. But the administration wasn't so creative with ways to save the financially plagued campus yearbook. The THRESHOLD was being threatened with extinction if somehow we couldn't convince the student body to stretch their thinning dollars out just enough further to buy a copy of their own yearbook. Too bad we couldn't have raised tuition or something to help us out, but the university couldn't afford us either, and they refused to give us permission to tax people sleeping in the Student Center in order to make additional revenue, so we were left to plod on, through rain, sleet, and the first college snow day in the last eight years, to finish the book and watch the world around us go to pot. Literally.

No one wanted to graduate anymore. There wasn't anyplace, nor any jobs, to go to. Jerry Ford was beginning to get a grip on both himself and his bust of Harry Truman, and finally had Nelson Rockefeller in the vicinity to do his homework for him, and sweep the CIA mess under the carpet all at the same time. King Faisal had a little family trouble which sent him to an early grave, and his nephew to that big chopping block in the sky.

Nothing was sacred anymore as an unruly Congress defeated Henry Kissinger's pet trade proposal with the U.S.S.R., decided to do it's own rug sweeping act with the CIA, and totally refused to get anything positive accomplished in any area whatsoever for the duration of their feud with Jerry over what flavor of jelly to serve with the peanut butter during official steak dinners.

But all was not lost, as Western held firmly to the status quo. Girls who pulled fire alarms were suspended from school, and athletes convicted of burglaries were put on academic probation and told they could never play football again at Western until practice started in the spring. The faculty finally voted in collective bargaining in April and then promptly asked the Faculty Senate to look into the feasibility of forming a union. And Western once again came to international attention as a group of
students managed to set a new world record (for not state employees) of the longest telephone call. Not to mention that Western's new Football coach was showing everyone how tough he was by trying to bend the iron bar of NCAA rules for spring training, figuring no one would suspect a school with such a mediocre record.

Spring was refreshing. Sangren Hall was still getting its air conditioning, which was now promised for the hottest day of January 1976, in order to celebrate Washington's crossing of the Delaware two hundred years earlier to buy his first coke. Knollwood Tavern, much to Western's franchise manager's chagrin, got permission from the city to expand into a huge gambling and prostitution franchise, with the added right of giving away free frisbees on Funky Fridays.

Vietnam mercifully, and quickly, joined the communist bandwagon after the collapse of Cambodia, and left poor President Theiu minus a capital, or even a country, and absolutely no place to put back the millions in gold bullion he had kept for safe keeping during his diplomatic summit meeting in the sauna rooms of the French Riviera. President Ford, however, was staging a brilliant comeback with a show of military force, and lets not forget indignation, as he sent eighty thousand marines, two divisions of paratroopers, the seventh, eighth, and thirteenth fleets, and his dog, to rescue the crew of the merchant ship Mayaguez. All of which solidly lined the country up behind him since everyone was tired of being picked on by those skinny, yellow, communists, who had finally put too much sand in our pants for their own good.

Back at Western, everything was proceeding quietly as the spring mud puddles dried up and there was talk of even fielding a baseball team before the end of the season. They did, and won ten straight games before being eliminated from post season tournament play by the golf team who had dropped their own championship chances due to a late season shortage of brown and gold golfballs. Tennis, believe it or not, ended the season as second in the MAC, the highest finish for any Bronco team all year, except for Hockey which was so good they couldn't really have been from Western.

All in all, it was a tremendous year at Western, one full of memorable events, and fuller of even more forgettable ones. The year passed, the seasons kept trading weeks back and forth amongst themselves, classes came and went, the students, administrators, and staff, all got a year older, except for George in cashiering who never gets any older, and the brick buildings still looked the same, except for a few differences here and there. The people, well you know people, they have this funny habit of all going their own way after a while. They did the same thing this year, and after a while, we did the same.
Spring Sports
A Rainy Day Season — With A Ten Game Steak

Coach Bill Chambers had an interesting season. The games seemed to vary in every category except the weather and the outcome. The Broncos had numerous games cancelled due to rain and snow and cancelled themselves out of a number of games by their own play. In the midst of all this came a spell of sunny days coinciding with a string of ten consecutive victories that ended the season with a not-so-dismal forecast for next year and a decent record for the 1975 season.
Although the ten game winning streak helped their overall record they finished next to last in the MAC with a six and ten record, with an overall record of fourteen and fifteen.

The Bronco victories included a remarkable doubleheader from Michigan State, who went on to finish third in the Big Ten, and two from University of Detroit, who battled into a berth in the Midwest regional of the NCAA playoffs.

Pitchers Tom Carpenter, Tim White, and a host of others, were up and down all season. Win one lose another, seemed to be the pattern of the entire season. Jim Carwardine, senior third baseman set a career record at Western with eleven homers in his tenure.

Trackmen Finish 4th In MAC
In the Meet that both signals the end, and sets the tone, for a team’s season, Western’s varsity track team managed to gain fourth place in the MAC. The trackmen finished the 1975 season on the new Kanley Track, competing against all nine other MAC schools in the annual league championships. Injuries plagued the team, slowing down such earlier WMU stars as Tom Duits (distance), Curtis Long (sprinter), and Dale DeBruin (decathlon). Even so, the team garnered sixty-seven and two-thirds points to fall less than five points behind third place Bowling Green, with the injured DeBruin still managing to capture a first place finish in the decathlon. Mike Schomer (javelin) took Western’s only other first place finish, followed closely by Tom Meyer (hammer throw), and Bob Cornwell (intermediate hurdles) who both captured seconds in their events.
The Bronco netters finished the 1975 season with a mediocre twelve and ten record. However, it was the MAC championships where the Bronco star came through. Tony Lamerato, a junior from Hamtramck, repeated as the Mid-American Conference's single's champion with a six-one, six-two final match victory. Lamerato's title, matched with Scott Frew taking sixth in the singles flight, gave Western a second place finish in the MAC with twenty points. Only one other team won titles, and that was Miami of Ohio who took the other seven. The successful season was sweetened with the naming of coach Jack Vredevelt as Coach of the Year in the MAC.

Other notable Bronco netters were freshman Dan Lueneburg, Jim Buck, Fritz Dwyer and Scott Schultz.
A Mere Twenty Strokes From Championship

The Mid-American Conference Golf Meet showed the Broncos best stuff all season. They finished fifth in the MAC, just twenty strokes off the pace in one of the most competitive tournaments ever. Mike Hurley and Tom Foster tied for third in the individual medalists play with identical two hundred and ninety-threes. The Broncos put together one of the finest rounds as a team in fourth round action at Lake Doster Country Club. Coach Merle Schlosser liked what he saw in the championship rounds, and if it was any indication, Western can look forward to increased competitiveness in a conference that has proved to be one of the toughest in the nation.

Top Row: Stymie Poore, Pete Mandich, Lance Alrick, Ken Oran, Joe Heimonen, Mike Hurley, Rob Strain, Lee Booker; Bottom: Mike Redersdorf, Tom Foster, Steve Robinson, Steve Wells, Tom Ruthkoski, Chris Wilson, Pat Thiede, Coach Merle Schlosser.
Coming to you direct from our offices, these are the THRESHOLD'S 1975 news highlights:

Aarup, Deborah
Grand Rapids

Abubaker, Mursi
Kheji, Saudia Arabia
Adebusoye, Gabriel
Oado, Nigeria

Adeyeye, Joseph
Kalamazoo, MI
Ahier, Margaret
Essexville, MI

Ahlgen, Raymond
Farmington, MI
Alleen, Robin
Brighton, MI
Alberts, Patricia
Ravenna, MI
Al-Dafa, Baier
Doha, Qatar
Alfers, Judith
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI

Alfoldy, Teresa
St. Clair Shores, MI
Aiger, Richard
Kalamazoo, MI
Alhasan, Selah
Kalamazoo, MI
Al-Kazemi, Anwar
Kuwait
Allen, Scott
Kalamazoo, MI

Allen, Thomas
Bloomfield, MI
Aligai, Michael
Kalamazoo, MI

Alofs, Peggy
Kalamazoo, MI
Alward, Kathryn
Detroit, MI

Ambrose, M.A.
Ames, R.M.
Anderson, I.
Anderson, S.L.
Anderson, S.W.

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Andrews, Chris
Brockport, New York

Andrus, Patricia
Sterling Heights, MI

Arnbruster, Terry
Unionville, MI

Arnott, Beverly
Jackson, MI

Arnold, Robert
Grosse Ile, MI

Arndt, Beverly
Jackson, MI

Arosz, D.
Ash, Aretha
Kalamazoo, MI

Askew, Rosalind
Detroit, MI

Audu, Robert
Kalamazoo, MI

Babbb, Wynne
Drayton Plains, MI

Bailey, Mary
Benton Harbor, MI

Baja, Glenn
Dearborn, MI

Baldwin, Pamela
Farmington, MI

Baldwin, William
Farmington, MI

Banks, Patricia
Bay City, MI

Barkey, Kathleen
Royal Oak, MI

Barlow, Katherine
Ann Arbor, MI

Barres, Brian
Kalamazoo, MI

Barres, Brian
Kalamazoo, MI

Bartocci, Esther
Bloomfield Hills, MI

Bassu, Philip
Battle Creek, MI

Batey, Marjorie
Brantford, MI

Batterman, Lynne
Plymouth, MI

Bauer, Bill
Dearborn, MI

Bauer, Richard
Saginaw, MI

Bassett, Janice
Morristown, N.J.

Beale, Robert
Rockford, Ill.
America's economy tailspins into worst recession since WWII... U.S. Auto... historic year...
makers forced to give rebates to unload tremendous car overstock ... Industry layoffs

- Biermann, Thomas
- Sterling Heights, MI
- Bigelow, Arlene
- St. Joseph, MI
- Bills, Janet
- Bancroft, MI
- Billmeier, Steven
- East Grand Rapids, MI
- Binder, Susan
- Troy, MI

- Bivins, Michael
- Detroit, MI
- Blacklock, Rosemary
- Benzonia, MI
- Blanchard, James
- Sturgis, MI
- Bleeker, Gary
- Grand Rapids, MI

- Bloor, Andrew
- Birmingham, MI
- Blough, Lucinda
- Lowell, MI
- Black, Carol
- Rock, Paul
- Mishawaka, Indiana
- Bodley, Marvin
- Kalamazoo, MI
- Boegner, Jan
- Holt, MI

- Bollone, Mark
- Norway, MI

- Bolton, George
- Lawton, MI
- Bolyea, Vickie
- St. Clair Shores, MI
- Bonnell, Kaye
- Kalamazoo, MI
- Booth, Linda
- Kalamazoo, MI
- Borchard, Ann
- Saginaw, MI
affect themselves... Gov. Milliken reelected, Michigan Sales Tax repealed. Nov 5, 1974...
State money squeeze forces budget cuts totaling $200 million... Western's budget chopped.
by half million dollars ... President Bernhard orders university hiring freeze ... Univer-

Celmer, Francis Kalamazoo, MI
Cervi, Barbara Kalamazoo, MI
Cesarini, Darlene Benton Harbor, MI
Chamberlin, Rebecca Delton, MI
Charles, Teri Fennville, MI

Chase, Carla Grand Rapids, MI
Cheung, Yuen-Hing Kalamazoo, MI
Chew, Gregory Flint, MI
Chimner, Judi Battle Creek, MI
Chope, Nancee Kalamazoo, MI

Chown, Linda Portage, MI
Cisewski, James Ironwood, MI
Clancy, Colleen Farmington Hills, MI
Clark, Cynthia J. Lansing, MI
Clark, Cynthia L. Allen Park, MI

Cleveland, Jeff Kalamazoo, MI
Clever, Shannon Charlotte, MI
Clifton, Victoria Reading, MI
Clinton, Michelle Grosse Pointe, MI
Clomon, Stephen Kalamazoo, MI

Cogdy, Susan Barryton, MI
Cockram, Mary Manistique, MI
Coghill, Sharon Deerton, MI
Cole, Deborah Arvington, N.J.
Coleman, Gail St. Joseph, MI

Conlin, Michael Kalamazoo, MI
Cook, Vicki Tipton, MI
Cooper, William Huntington Woods, MI
Cooper, Susan Lansing, MI
Corgan, Anne Spring Lake, MI
sity administration warns THRESHOLD that it may be forced to suspend further financial...
backing... Draper-Siedschlag celebrate 25th anniversary along with winning Most Active

Czlonka, Robert
Grand Rapids, MI
Daggett, Mary
Lansing, MI
Daily, Kathryn
Roseville, MI
Daily, Patricia
Wyandotte, MI
Damon, Bob
Deerfield, MI

Daniels, Paula
Lansing, MI
Danneels, Denise
Mt. Clemens, MI
Dannhardt, Harry
Berrien Springs, MI

Dash, Marlene
Northbrook, IL
Davies, Diane
Southgate, MI
Davis, Victor
Battle Creek, MI

Dawidowski, Dan
Allen Park, MI
Dawson, Stephen
Loretto, MI
DeBlasio, Mariss
Southgate, MI

DeBor, Frank
Kalamazoo, MI
DeLand, Shelly
Battle Creek, MI
DeLong, Kent
Kalamazoo, MI
Devin, Lynn
Belmont, MI
Dembek, Deborah
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI

Denning, Blaine
Detroit, MI
Deremo, Janice
Grand Rapids, MI
DeRosa, John
Holt, MI
DeSchryver, Theresa
St. Clair Shores, MI
Dewey, Bill
Brooklyn, MI
Dorm of 1975 Award... Henry and Bigelow Halls regain World Talk-a-Thon record for Western...

Diehl, Nancy
Grosse Pointe Park, MI

Doehlein, Michael
Farmington, MI

Dilworth, Pamela
Flint, MI

DiPiero, Tina
Roseville, MI

Dixon, Thomas
Stevensville, MI

Dobson, Roy
Mt. Clemens, MI

Doescher, Daniel
Mt. Clemens, MI

Donat, Robert
Livonia, MI

Dopp, Elizabeth
Kalamazoo, MI

Doroff, George
South Haven, MI

Douglas, Kathleen
Portage, MI

Douglas, Kim
Portage, MI

Douglas, Barbara
South Bend, MI

Dourjian, Barbara
Detroit, MI

Drake, Anne
Bellevue, MI

Drean, Kathryn
Birmingham, MI

Drean, Thomas
Dearborn, MI

Droge, Philip
Kalamazoo, MI

Drzewiecki, Patricia
Traverse, MI

Dulsey, Rich
Muskegon, MI

Dunleavy, Sheila
Allen Park, MI

Dunn, Janet
Birmingham, MI

Duryea, Cynthia
Hillsdale, MI

Duyser, Cyndy
Grand Rapids, MI

Dyke, Karen
Northville, MI

Dykstra, Mark
South Haven, MI
March 12 to April 23 ... Western's track team records 50th consecutive home dual meet
victory—April 15, 1975 . . . Cambodia falls to Khmer Rouge, South Vietnamese forces routed—

Fort, Penny
Hickory Corners, MI
Fortuna, Mark
St. Clair Shores, MI
Foster, Raymond
Kalamazoo, MI
Fotenaus, Kay
Flint, MI
Fox, Glenn
New Buffalo, MI

Franchino, Lois
Lansing, MI
Francis, Deborah
Portage, MI
Franz, Diann
Niles, MI
Franzoi, Stephen
Iron Mountain, MI
Fraser, Bonnie
Kalamazoo, MI

Frey, James
Battle Creek, MI
Fu Kui, Yuko
Kobe, Japan
Futerkin, Stefani
Grand Ledge, MI
Gale, Michael
Flint, MI
Garavaglia, Burt
Royal Oak, MI

Gardner, Barbara
Berrien Springs, MI
Gardner, John
Kalamazoo, MI
Garratt, Susan
Battle Creek, MI
Garriston, Evadne
Sturgis, MI
Garvey, Toni
Kalamazoo, MI

Garza, Josephine
Sterling Heights, MI
Gates, David
Kalamazoo, MI
Gauthier, Janice
Dearborn, MI
Gayden, Andrew
Flint, MI
Gears, Bruce
Dearborn, MI

Geleenger, Stephen
Flint, MI
Gensterblum, Sharon
Portland, MI
Giancaterina, Richard
Rochester, N.Y.
Gianunzio, Denise
Kalamazoo, MI
Gilson, Judith
Grand Rapids, MI
Spring 1975  Portugal leans to political left, sends reverberations through Western
in Mideast-March 1975... Bronco Hockey smashed Division II opponents, falls short in
Division I tournament... Board of Trustees vote to eliminate parietal rule—March 21,

Jameson, Marvin
Kalamazoo, MI
Jank, Mary
Linwood, MI
Janvrim, Robert
Kalamazoo, MI
Jenkina, Lawrence
Galesburg, MI
Jennings, Jacque
Kalamazoo, MI

Jones, Charles
Lakeview, Ohio
Jones, Fabienne
Kalamazoo, MI
Jones, Julie
Cassopolis, MI
Jones, Patsy
Kalamazoo, MI
Johnson, Adrienne
Detroit, MI

Johnson, Charles
St. Joseph, MI
Johnson, Dawn
Kalamazoo, MI
Johnson, Gretchen
Northville, MI
Johnson, Joan
Muskegon, MI
Johnson, Karen
Gladstone, MI

Johnson, Pam
Roseville, MI
Johnston, Thomas
Portland, MI
Juday, Pamela
Kalamazoo, MI
Just, William
Jackson, MI
Kain, Marlene
Grosse Point Park, MI

Kafil, Hagos
Kalamazoo, MI
Kahler, Susan
Kalamazoo, MI
Kahsay, Alemseged
Tambien, Tigray, Ethiopia
Kameda, Shinji
Bunkyo-ku, Japan
Kamrath, Lynne
Rochester, MI

Kane, Phillip
Battle Creek, MI
Kariny, Larry
Harper Woods, MI
Kast, Sharon
Portage, MI
Karow, Laura
Kalamazoo, MI
Katirai, Abdul
Kermanhahen, Iran
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Kaufmann, Peter
Winchester, Mass.
Keana, Phyllis
Benton, Harbor, MI
Keaten, Lynn
Orchard Lake, MI
Kelemen, Mary
Portage, MI
Kelley, Gerald
Schoolcraft, MI

Kelley, Gordon
Lowell, MI
Kelly, Kathleen
Jackson, MI
Kelsey, Claudia
Alpena, MI
Kelsey, Maria
New Buffalo, MI
Kendrick, Rebecca
Sturgis, MI

Kessler Jr., Michael
Southgate, MI
Kesterke, Penny
Glenview, Ill.
Keister, Lynn
Farmington Hills, MI
Key, Jack
Portage, MI
Khosravani, Mansour
Shiraz, Iran

Kimmey, Nyla
Middleville, MI
Kindt, Connie
Rochester, MI
King, Arthur
St. Joseph, MI
King, Martha
Birmingham, MI
Kints, Mary
Flint, MI

Kirkendall, Mollie
Gary, Ind.
Kirkman, Mark
Dearborn Hts., MI
Kish, Peter
Lincoln Park, MI
Klart, John
Livonia, MI
Klingele, Kathy
Portage, MI

Knapko, Deborah
Kalamazoo, MI
Kobar, Kandy
South Bend, Ind.
Koehler, Joan
Elkhart, MI
Koll, Gregory
Detroit, MI
Kolls, Daniel
Rolling Meadows, Ill.
John Mitchell, and H.R. Halderman sentenced to two and one-half to eight years for

Kolter, Franklin
Kalamazoo, MI
Kopal, Janis
Dearborn, MI
Kopezynski, Gerard
Sterling Heights, MI
Kothe, Nancy
Sebewaing, MI
Kovalcik, Kathryn
Kalamazoo, MI

Kozak, Patricia
Kenosha, Wisc.
Koziel, Ralph
Detroit, MI
Kramer, Cynthia
Kalamazoo, MI
Kreft, Conrad
Kalamazoo, MI
Kraus, Walter
Traverse City, MI

Krell, Kathleen
Livonia, MI
Krell, Patricia
Kalamazoo, MI
Krzyzko, Dennis
New Boston, MI
Kuik, Susan
Dearborn Heights, MI
Kuipers, Rick
Kalamazoo, MI

Kirvan, Terry
Swartz Creek, MI
Kuk, Donald
East Lake, MI
Ladika, Bernadette
Huntington Woods, MI
Lesliehr, Charles
Orchard Lake, MI
Lubas, Kathleen
Berkley, MI

Langdon, Joseph
Clio, MI
Larsen, Jennifer
Grand Ledge, MI
Laswell, Dana
Muskegon, MI
Lattuca, Lynn
Adrian, MI
Lauer, Evelyn
Onsted, MI

Lavender, Gail
Lakeview, MI
Laycock, Leslie
Detroit, MI
Leak, Lori
Portage, MI
Leck, Linda
Kalamazoo, MI
Lee, Chandler
Mt. Clemens, MI
their parts in Watergate Scandal . . . Davis Hall’s Thanksgiving robbery nets thieves
stereos, typewriters, and six years of our managing editor's life... Nixon resigns

Martine, Joy
Grand Rapids, MI
Maddalena, Louis
Battle Creek, MI
Maiert, Patricia
Detroit, MI
Mais, Kenneth
Edwardsburg, MI
Malkin, Stuart
Crystal Falls, MI

Manderfield, Lenore
Troy, MI
Mandigo, Valerie
Kalamazoo, MI
Mandle, Mark
St. Louis, MO
Mandrell, Teresa
Midland, MI
Manni, Linda
Detroit, MI

Marbaugh, Krystal
Sturgis, MI
Martin, Donald
Dearborn, MI
Martin, David
Kalamazoo, MI

Martin, Janice
Livonia, MI
Martin, James
Petoskey, MI
Martin, Karen
Kalamazoo, MI

Martin, Paul
Clawson, MI
Martin, Sue
Detroit, MI
Mason, Cheri
Sterling Hgts, MI
Masten, Barbara
Ada, MI
Mato, Diane
Farmington, MI

Matthews, Cynthia
Kalamazoo, MI
Matthews, Elaine
Detroit, MI
Mausch, Marilyn
Livonia, MI
Maximuck, Janice
Farmington, MI
Maxwell, Dona
Glenn, MI
Presidency August 9th, 1974  ... Former House Minority Leader Gerald Ford sworn in as

Mayball, Cindy  
Kalamazoo, MI  
McBroom, Daniel  
Detroit, MI  

McCallum, Karen  
Farmington, MI  
McClain, Michael  
Elkton, MI  
McClain, Sandra  
Traverse City, MI  

McClenic, Michael  
Detroit, MI  
McCorry, Nancy  
Lawton, MI  
McCury, Jeanne  
Pontiac, MI  

McDougall, Karen  
Laingsburg, MI  
McFall, Emma  
Benton Harbor, MI  

McGlaughlin, Ann  
Wyandotte, MI  
McKay, Brian  
Detroit, MI  

McKinley, David  
Portage, MI  
McKettrick, William  
Detroit, MI  

McKinnie, William  
Grosse Ile, MI  

McLean, Daniel  
Farmington Hills, MI  
McLean, Mike  
Franklin, MI  

McMillan, Anna  
Kalamazoo, MI  
McNeill, John  
New Buffalo, MI  

McPherson, Denise  
Farmington, MI  

Megel, Mary Jo  
Sterling, MI  
Mehl, William  
Farmington, MI  

Meier, Michael  
St. Clair Shores, MI  
Meier, Susan  
Grosse Pointe, MI
Menning, Terry
Kalamazoo, MI

Mercier, Michael
Flint, MI

Mervine, Richard
West Bloomfield, MI

Mew, Joanne
Honolulu, Hawaii

Meyerson, Audrey
Valparaiso, Ind.

Menning, Deborah
Allen Park, MI

Mielke, Ann
South Haven, MI

Millburn, David
Birmingham, MI

Miller, Catherine
South Bend, Ind.

Miller, Deborah
Naperville, Ill.

Miller, Judith
Kalamazoo, MI

Miller, Nancy
Fraser, MI

Mills, Robert
Grand Rapids, MI

Misak, Jack
Hastings, MI

Mitchell, Debra
Leslie, MI

Mitchell, Sandra
South Haven, MI

Mize, Gregory
Troy, MI

Mlambo, David
Kalamazoo, MI

Mlenchukin, Moses
Kalamazoo, MI

Mock, Carol
Midland, MI

Modder, Laurie
Grand Rapids, MI

Mondary, Michael
Mt. Clemens, MI

Moore, Marilyn
Detroit, MI

Moore, Ric
Kalamazoo, MI

Moore, Valorie
Detroit, MI

Moore, Yvette
Detroit, MI

Morehouse, Scott
Midland, MI
Morgan, Paul
Rockford, MI
Morgan, Sharon
Kalamazoo, MI
Morrell, Bradford
Birmingham, MI
Morrison, Roderick
Otesgo, MI
Morrissey, Sheila
Flint, MI
Mosley, Ann
Flint, MI
Moss, Anne
Grand Rapids, MI
Motter, Carol
Grose Pointe Woods, MI
Mulder, Mark
Kalamazoo, MI
Murley, Gayl
Royal Oak, MI
Murphy, Bruce
Marshall, MI
Murphy, Gwen
Fontiac, MI
Myers, Ann
Femdale, MI
Nabors, Linda
Muskegon, MI
Naftiger, Jane
Peoria, Ill.
Nauman, Grace
Farmington, MI
Neely, Linda
Brooklyn MI
Nelles, Diane
Drayton Plains, MI
Nevill, Deborah
Niles, MI
Newkirk, James
Schoolcraft, MI

Newland, David
Kalamazoo, MI
Nichols, Philip
Decker, MI
Nida, Sharon
Farmington Hills, MI
Nielsen, Cheryl
Greenville, MI
Nielsen, Susan
Greenville, MI
Nienhuis, Mark
Holland, MI
Niemna, Nancy
Saugatuck, MI
Niewiadomski, Catherine
Grand Rapids, MI
Niewiadomski, Mary
Grand Rapids, MI
Nocera, Elizabeth
Kalamazoo, MI
ance at Lawson Ice Arena-Oct. 1975... Rick Murphy hand walks to possible world record-

Nocross, Mary
Traverse City, MI
Norcross, Robert
Norcross, Mary
Traverse City, MI
Norman, Robert
Jerome, MI
Northrop, Glenn
Troy, MI
Norton, Lynn
Kalamazoo, MI
Nugent, Erin
Frankfort, MI

Nunn, Annette
Comstock Park, MI
Nurman, Thomas
Kalamazoo, MI
Oak, Lorraine
Temperance, MI
O'Bryan, Mark
Portage, MI
O'Connor, Mary
Benton, MI

Ogundairo, Ereola
Kalamazoo, MI
O'rely, Paul
Kalamazoo, MI
O'sha, Mark
Kalamazoo, MI
Chiba-Ken, Japan
Oldenburg, Marcia
Saginaw, MI
Oleszko, Gary
Fraser, MI

Olsan, Judith
Manistique, MI
Olugbade, Lawrence
Nigeria, W. Africa
O'Malley, Michael
Paw Paw, MI
O'Neill, Yvonne
Alpena, MI
O'Neill, Mary
Benton Harbor, MI

Onitiri, Tunde
Kalamazoo, MI
Opdyke, Marjorie
Davisburg, MI
Ormsby, Linda
Charlevoix, MI
Orr, Michelle
North Branch, MI
Orris, Carol
Martin, MI

Ostrander, Diana
Huntington, MI
Ostrander, Sally
Sterling, MI
Ott, Suzanne
Holmwood, MI
Owen, Beth
Otsego, MI
Owen, Charles
Kalamazoo, MI
Wilbur Mills loses Chairmanship Ways and Means Committee, admits to
alcoholism — Winter 1975 ... CIA investigated by Presidential Committee ... Kennedy

Pelon, Barbara
Three Rivers, MI

Pettier, David
Greenville, MI

Pendegrass, Jacqueline
Dowagiac, MI

Pendergrass, Jacqueline
Dowagiac, MI

Penhorwood, Scott
Kalamazoo, MI

Penner, Keith
Mt. Clemens, MI

Perigo, Judith
Kalamazoo, MI

Peters, David
Lundington, MI

Peterson, Barbara S.
Valley Forge, Pa.

Peterson, Kathryn
Albion, MI

Patrick, Gayle
St. Joseph, MI

Pfeffer, John
South Lyon, MI

Pfeifle, Beverly
Williamston, MI

Pharms, Dorothy
Grand Rapids, MI

Phillips, Janice
Grand Rapids, MI

Phillips, Vaughn
Detroit, MI

Phillips, William
Flushing, MI

Piatoicz, Patricia
Norton, MI

Pippenger, Bruce
Bronson, MI

Pitsch, Kathleen
Byron Center, MI

Pittman, Edward
Muskegon, MI

Pletchborz, Francis
Kalamazoo, MI

Pletcher, Harry
Portage, MI
assassination probe questioned, new probe asked for... Pittsburg Steelers win Super Bowl
Raymond, Dwight  
Kalamazoo, MI  
Ream, Rona  
Muskegon, MI  
Reck, George  
Kalamazoo, MI  
Redies, Linda  
South Haven, MI  
Reed, Diane  
Pontiac, MI  
Rehmus, Tom  
Essexville, MI  
Reid, Kenneth  
Utica, MI  
Remington, Robin  
Alpena, MI  
Remiker, Sherry  
Kalamazoo, MI  
Reynolds, Beatrice  
Flint, MI  
Reynolds, Janet  
Byron Center, MI  
Reynolds, Janet  
Jackson, MI  
Rhinesmith, Laura  
Dearborn Hgts, MI  
Riici, Patricia  
Escanaba, MI  
Rieger, John  
Venice, MI  
Riley, Erma  
Detroit, MI  
Riley, Sandra  
Buchanan, MI  
Riley, Tim  
Muskegon, MI  
Rimmer, Vella  
Muskegon, MI  
Ring, Pamela  
Lake-Otio, MI  
Ringelspaugh, Thomas  
Dearborn, MI  
Richell, Mark  
Orchard Lake, MI  
Roberta, Michael  
Mansfield, Ohio  
Robertson, Greta  
Fenton, MI  
Robinson, Janet  
Three Rivers, MI  
Robinson, Shirley  
Kalamazoo, MI  
Rodrigues, I  
Lincoln Park, MI  
Roe, Karen  
Dearborn Heights, MI  
Rogers, Catherine  
Berkley, MI  
Rolle, Susan  
Midland, MI
as WMU head football coach after dismal 3-8 season, 0-5 in MAC play . . . Elliot Uzelac,
former assistant under Bo Schembechler named to succeed Doolittle - November, 1975

Schantz, Stephen
Kalamazoo, MI

Schlamann, Ronald
Mt. Prospect, Ill.

Schluhatis, Valerie
Portage, MI

Schneider, Adene
Hunting Harbor, MI

Schneider II, Robert
Washington, MI

Schrader, Deborah
Ludington, MI

Schrauben, Thomas
Orleans, MI

Schroeder, Timothy
St. Joseph, MI

Schroeder, William
Kalamazoo, MI

Schubeck, Suzanne
Detroit, MI

Schults, Todd
Milan, MI

Scibor, Robert
Dearborn, MI

Scott, Richard
Portage, MI

Scott, Randy
Constantine, MI

Scripsema, Diana
Grandville, MI

Sears, Thomas
Kalamazoo, MI

See, Barbara
Kalamazoo, MI

See, Robert
Kalamazoo, MI

Sedivy, George
Chicago, Ill.

Selen, Nancy
Lawrence, MI

Selner, Mita
Kalamazoo, MI
Kalamazoo Dance Marathon raises over $10,000 for Muscular Dystrophy — March 14-16, 1975

Seppamaki, Phil
Muskegon, MI
Sexton, Ken
Detroit, MI
Sexton, Phyllis
Hartford, MI
Sherwood, Richard
Kalamazoo, MI
Shipley, Mary
Grand Rapids, MI

Shirely, Charlene
Plainwell, MI
Shirely, Darlene
Plainwell, MI
Shotwell, Karen
Drayton Plains, MI
Shugars, Dale
Kalamazoo, MI
Shurn, Phyllis
Benton Harbor, MI

Sieradzki, Daniel
Kalamazoo, MI
Sieradzki, Sally
Howard City, MI
Sikkema, Brya
Hudsonville, MI
Simo, Duane
Livonia, MI
Simonsen, Rolly
Winfield, Il.

Simpson, Marilyn
Detroit, MI
Simpson, Mary
Detroit, MI
Sinda, Robert
Kalamazoo, MI

Sive, Lesley
Elkhart, Ind.
Skarped, Karen
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Skorupa, Karen
Westland, MI

Skrupakels, Mara
Kalamazoo, MI
Slucter, Daryl
Farmington, MI
Smith, Raymond
Muskegon, MI
Soltyak, Michael
Sterling Heights, MI
Spatz, Steven
Penbrooke Pines, Fla.
Bernhard becomes new WMU President Sept. 1, 1974, inaugurated April 26, 1975, new home Spaulding, Karla Merrill, MI Spear, Martha Plymouth, MI Spear, Mary Plymouth, MI Speckman, Jack Flushing, MI Spencer, Mari Lansing, MI

Stachel, Gary E. Detroit, MI Stack, Gary Portage, MI Stahr, Barbara Grand Rapids, MI Stallman, Gail Northport, MI Stamm, Jeffrey Hastings, MI

St. Amour, Cheryl Norton Shores, MI Stankiewicz, Frank New Buffalo, MI Stark, Mark E. Detroit, MI Starnes, Maribeth Roseville, MI Steele, Beatrice Chicago, Ill.

Steenhagen, Jennie New Era, MI Stephens, Gary Bloom Hills, MI Stickney, Michael Quincy, Ill.

Still, Judy Livonia, MI Storms, Gregory Schoolcraft, MI Stouppe, Karen Farmington, MI

Stover, Henrietta Ypsilanti, MI Strack, Barbara Kalamazoo, MI Strasser, Dennis St. Joseph, MI Strickland, Kurt Albion, MI Stringfield, Barbara Detroit, MI
raises early financial questions... Evel Knievel fails in attempt to jump Snake River
Canyon — Sept. 9, 1974, rips off over six million dollars for effort ... Barbara Lynn

Thomas, Robert
Detroit, MI
Thompson, Douglas
Royal Oak, MI

Thompson, Joanne
Livonia, MI
Thompson, John
Belleville, MI

Thompson, Kathleen
Birmingham, MI
Thompson, Robert
Kalamazoo, MI

Thompson, Vicky
White Cloud, MI
Thorp, James
Bloomfield Hills, MI
Tocco, Salvator
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI
Tomakowsky, David
Dearborn Hghts, MI
Tomlinson, James
Battle Creek, MI

Towne, Janine
Hastings, MI
Townsend, Theodore, Jr.
St. Louis, MI
Townson, Marilyn
Dearborn Hghts, MI
Trainor, Tim
Royal Oak, MI
Tremont, Denise
Saginaw, MI

Triemstra, Paul
Kalamazoo, MI
Tripplehorn, Tina
Fenton, MI
Trombley, Janette
Kalamazoo, MI
Truly, Sharon
Detroit, MI
Tucker, Pamela
Kalamazoo, MI
Tuinstra, Kenneth
Kalamazoo, MI
Turgeon, Brian
Kalamazoo, MI
Turkenburg, Joyce
Grand Rapids, MI
Turza, Theresa
Lincoln Park, MI
Twaikrit, Abdullah
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Ulmer, Sharon
Warren, MI
Vaksuik, Paul
Kalamazoo, MI
Valentine, Joe
Dearborn Heights, MI
Valentine, Michael
Adrian, MI
VanderLaan, Laura
Grandville, MI

Vansa, Steven
Hillsdale, MI
Verhey, Shelly
Holland, MI
Vassau, Patrice
Ortonville, MI
Vitko, Sandra
Bloomfield Hills, MI
Wade, Susan
St. Clair, MI

Wagner, Shelley
New Buffalo, MI
Wakefield, Laurie
Adrian, MI
Walker, Charley
South Haven, MI
Wallace, John
Kalamazoo, MI
Walters, Robert
Birmingham, MI

Walton, Julie
Battle Creek, MI
Ward, Patrice
Richmond, MI
Warmbein, Christine
Three Oaks, MI
Warner, Deborah
Riverview, MI
Waroe, Becky
Kalamazoo, MI

Warsinske, Deborah
Port Huron, MI
Wass, David
Battle Creek, MI
Waters, Holly
Farmington, MI
Watson, Michele
Hamtramck, MI
Watts, Susan
Farmington Hills, MI
pardons former President Nixon Sunday Sept. 8, 1974, Press Secretary TerHorst resigns,

Watze, Rick
Kalamazoo, MI
Weber, Kay
Wilmington, Del.
Weeden, Gary
Wyoming, MI
Weessies, Thomas
Kalamazoo, MI
Weil, Larry
Homewood, Ill.

Welti, Thomas
Farmington, MI
Wenk, Susan
Kalamazoo, MI
Wenick, La Veam
New Lothrup, MI
Werts, David
Birmingham, MI
Westerhof, Luanne
Grand Rapids, MI

Wetrich, Susan
Eaton Rapids, MI
Wheeler, Kevin
Kalamazoo, MI
Whelan, Julee
Kalamazoo, MI
White, James
Marietta, Georgia
White, Jerry
Kalamazoo, MI

White, Susan
Charlotte, MI
Whiting, Thomas
Kalamazoo, MI
Wick, Thomas
Berrien Springs, MI
Widrig, Lisa
Inkster, MI
Wiehe, Charlene
Troy, Ohio

Wilbourn, Evelyn
Detroit, MI
Wilcox, David
Flint, MI
Wildburr, Mark
Royal Oak, MI
Wilder, Jill
Lansing, MI
Wildie, Margie
Honor, MI

Wilkin, Brenda
Onsted, MI
Wilkinson, Greg
Hoopstown, Ill.
Willett, Renee
Harbor Beach, MI
Williams, Debbie
Detroit, MI
Williams, Gay
Brooklyn, MI
finally adds FM . . . This has been your yearly news highlights by way of your THRESHOLD '75

Young, Eva
Detroit, MI
Young, Sandra
Lincoln Park, MI
Zaban, Pamela
Benton Harbor, MI
Zemke, Frederick
Ann Arbor, MI
Zerull, Julie
Ft. Wayne, Ind.
Ziegler, Donald
Saginaw, MI

Zimmerman, Mary
Dearborn, MI
Zlockie, John
Kulpmont, Pa.
Zwiefka, Donald
Manistee, MI
Zych, Marie
Holland, MI
Women’s Sports Shorts

VOLLEYBALL
1974 RESULTS (16-13)

Central Michigan U ........................................... W
8-15, 15-10, 16-8

Ball State University ........................................... L
15-3, 15-10

Grand Rapids JC .................................................. W
15-7, 15-0, 15-11

University of Michigan .......................................... W
10-15, 15-9, 15-4

Kellogg CC .......................................................... W
15-9, 15-3, 15-8

Univ. of Western Ontario ............................... 4-15, 15-10, 13-15

Eastern Michigan U .............................................. W
15-8, 15-12

Grand Valley SC .................................................. W
15-10, 15-17, 16-14, 7-15, 15-12

Michigan State U ............................................... W
12-15, 15-11

Univ. of Waterloo .............................................. L
4-15, 13-15

Eastern Michigan U .............................................. W
16-10, 9-15, 15-7

Calvin College .................................................. W
15-3, 15-15, 11-15

Spring Arbor ................................................... W
15-8, 9-15, 15-8

Lake Michigan .................................................... W
15-3, 15-1

Indiana U ........................................................... W
9-15, 15-7, 15-12

Calvin College .................................................. L
7-15, 2-15

Central Michigan U .............................................. L
15-12, 6-15, 6-15

Michigan State U ............................................... L
9-15, 11-9, 9-15

Kellogg CC .......................................................... L
7-15, 5-15

Henry Ford CC ................................................... W
16-6, 11-15, 15-3

Purdue University ............................................... W
15-7, 9-15, 15-8

Univ. of Cincinnati ............................................. W
9-15, 13-11, 5-15

Univ. of Illinois (Chicago Circle) .................. L
9-15, 15-6, 5-15

Northern Illinois Univ ....................................... L
15-9, 15-7

Grand Valley SC .................................................. W
15-1, 3-15, 11-15

Kalamazoo College .......................................... L
15-1, 15-8

Spring Arbor ................................................... W
15-2, 15-12

Central Michigan U .............................................. L
6-15, 2-15

Ball State University ........................................... L
11-15, 8-15

Western’s defending women’s national table tennis champion, Janice Martin, successfully defended the regional portion of her title at Central Michigan this spring, and is preparing for the national competition April 24-26 at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

Basketball
1975 RESULTS (16-5)

Michigan State Champs 1975

Michigan (h) ....................................................... 29
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Gr. Valley (a) ....................................................... 55
Central (h) ........................................................... 51
Calvin (a) ............................................................. 57

State Tourney

Gr. Valley ........................................................... 48
Eastern .............................................................. 46
Calvin ................................................................. 61

Midwest Regionals at Illinois St.

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Indiana U ............................................................. 77

Table Tennis
GYMNASTICS
1974 RESULTS (6-6) MAC (8th)

WRESTLING
1974 RESULTS (4-8)

TRACK
1974 RESULTS (6-6) MAC (8th)

SWIMMING
1974 RESULTS (8-6)

WINTER SPORTS
1974 RESULTS (16-10), (MAC 8-6)

GOLF
1974 RESULTS (1-2)

TELEVISION
1974 RESULTS (12-10) MAC (2nd)

BASEBALL
1974 RESULTS (14-15) (MAC 6-10)

FOOTBALL
1974 RESULTS (3-8) MAC (5-9)

HOCKEY
1974 RESULTS (13-8) CCHA II, 8-9

DIVISION I CHAMPS

MEN'S SHORTS

MEN'S SHORTS
Closing
OK Bye

My God, four years. Four long, short, full, empty, here and gone, years. It's over. Not for a semester break this time, not even for those four quick months of summer. This time there's no coming back. Kalamazoo and Western Michigan University, friends and neighbors, strangers and lovers, all disintegrating, or at least dispersing, before the awesome force of time and its uniformed drummer boy called graduation. Where have all the good times gone, the parties, the senseless jokes, the one night stands, lost loves, found loves, the nights of cramming, and the quiet weekends with nothing to do, or too much to do, and not enough time till Monday? Where are my professors, my classes, books, reports, and pencils? They always saved me in the past. Some days they slowed me down. Lots of times I couldn't wait to get out of here. Sometimes I still can't.

So many painful memories, and so many, many, more good ones. Something happened every day. I mean even days that were wasted weren't wasted, because just being able to waste a day every now and then was an accomplishment. It was great. Every year more and more people got married and either left school, or settled down to work their way through. But for even the busiest of us college was a relatively easy time. After the classes and the homework, you were on your own. Most of us didn't have to go home to a wife and kids, a yard that needed trimming, and a leaky faucet to fix. Life was complicated merely with
friends, enemies, lovers, and leavers, but at least we were young, and our mistakes could be tolerated, if not expected, and our accomplishments could be made to look bigger than life in a world that centered around one room, one town, and one university. Home and parents, brothers, and sisters, in-laws, outlaws, and laws period, all seemed like nebulous, flighty tentacles, reaching into our worlds from an outside somewhere, instead of wrapping around them. We were young.

College. It all started out like a slightly regurgitated remake of an overgrown high school. Being a freshman again was like a four year flashback, not a giant leap ahead. Orientation was a gas. A brief little flirt with the high life of the early seventies and maturity. Jesus, we were big kids. There was enough new guys and girls for everyone. And classes? Well, gee, they seemed a little scary, but they couldn't be that bad, right? And even if they were, so what? College was going to be a good time, and we all made solemn promises to learn something in our spare time too.

The dormitories were a switch. We were all big happy (?) families, complete with loners, shouters, fighters, jokers, scholars, and make-shift super-stars, all rolled into nice little rows, stacked efficiently side by side, and one on top of the other, with all the individualism of a pile of pancakes. But we made it. We all kept our promise, whether we intended to or not, and learned some things, even if we didn't know it when we learned them, but instead only when we stopped to think about it. And that was a requirement. Every once in a while we were all required to step back and think about it, what ever it was. We were growing up, or at least getting older, and the law said one usually came with the other, and the law said the latter one always came, no matter who you
Maybe We All Turned Out Alright . . . Maybe

were, or whose dad was your's, or what neighborhood you'd grown up in. Everyone got older, and some lucky few even got wiser, and most of us kept forgetting about both until suddenly we tripped over one, or the other, or both, in the dark of night, and for a while we could fall into what looked like a little daylight in our lives, or retreat down another dark alley. Maybe we took up hitting drugs to forget, or smoked pot just because we liked it, and maybe we all turned out alright at the end. Those of us that made it anyway.

Some didn't. For a variety of reasons some of us never even got a chance to get older. Car accidents were a legitimate way to go. One of us even had enough uncanny timing to get hit by a flying coke truck. Another of us got killed just riding a bike through Europe. Others left to see Canada for a while, getting stuck there for a lifetime. At first there was the end of the war to wait for, and then after a while there just wasn't anything to come back to.

But most of us stayed, and lived. The draft died when we were two and in the middle of our sophomore year, but only after it had scared the shit out of us for a year and a half. Girlfriends had kept lists of the numbers as they came over the radio. A friend of mine won the lottery for the lowest number, drank his winnings away, and dropped out of school. And all for nothing since they never even got a chance to call our numbers. And then, of course, there was Watergate breaking out all over and making all of us want to jump up and
serve our country anyway.

Finally, suddenly we were juniors, upper-classmen, and people were asking us what we were going to do after we graduated. And some few of us realized it was time to think about that for a while, do a little planning, it was good for the soul. The rest of us kept hiding.

really scared us. But summer came to save us. Summer vacation was a tradition, a passing rite from one grade to the next, and we all knew we could come back again. We only had to put up with one more year.

It was almost funny being a senior; it just couldn’t happen to better people, but how could we be seniors in college when we weren’t even as old as those high school seniors two years ahead of us had been. It was time for some serious counseling. It didn’t help much. Majors and minors finally began to shape up, but what did they mean? People changed their majors and minors every day, and the most that ever happened to them was a change in vocabulary, and maybe a few new friends. Sure

There was still plenty of time to make all those big decisions. Meanwhile, enjoy. But the edge was gone. The bars began to get crowded with the little kids we had left back in high school. There they were, sitting on my stool, and carrying on like a bunch of idiots. Kids. Then the Auditing Department sent us all a letter, reminding us of our obligation to graduate in order to make room for the next crop, and that
we were going to all get big B.A.'s, or B.S.'s, or B.S.'s in B.S., or some such thing. Big deal. Just when we were finally coming out of hiding from having to grow up and get a job, just when we were supposed to be ready for that bigger and better job college was going to get us, the whole economy goes to hell, and takes the job market with it. Who wants to go to hell for a job, especially with four years of specialized training, and a masters in going to school? Not me. But what choice did I have? I couldn't stay in the woodwork forever. Besides, the equation said I was through, finished. College, times four years plus education, equals graduation, plus diploma, minus place to hide, \( CX (4y + Ed) = G + D - (Pt to H) \).

So I left, Everybody left. It was so damn sad. I had to laugh. All grown up and educated together, and just when we're all starting to like each other old Mother Society takes us home to bed. We were just lucky it all happened so fast we didn't have time to shed too many tears. Big boys aren't supposed to cry any more, and big girls are only allowed two sniffs and a whimper, so it was just as well.

Graduation was great. I really felt proud standing up when my class was called. Too bad no one could see me in the middle of those three thousand black robes. But my mother assured me she caught a glimpse of my cap as I filed back to my seat after getting my very own blank booklet. They all thought I looked so terribly grown up, and mature, and handsome, and graduated.
A Bag Full Of Memories, And A Suspicion.

Maybe I was. I still haven't made up my mind. How can I know what I look like when there are still days when I'm not sure I'm anyone at all? I thought I'd be through that stage by now, and I have made a lot of progress, but there are still moments when I wonder if the last four years weren't just a dream, or a nightmare, or a joke; and that I'm going to wake up, or be awakened, and all I'll find is that I always was, that my escape to, or progress through, school, is over, the time dead and gone, and all I'm left with is a diploma still wet behind the ears, a bag full of memories, and a suspicion that somehow things for me, and us, and you, simply turned out just as they were supposed to.
Editors' Letters

The dorm, the yearbook, our friends, heritage, nearly everything that had anything to do with either one of us, somehow or another seemed to find a corresponding niche in the other. When we met in our sophomore year we were floormates. From that point on our lives seemed to pull together as our careers and ambitions took us along not merely parallel paths but to a greater degree the same one. We lived on the same floor, one worked for the yearbook and introduced the other to it, and one worked for the dormitory and was eventually joined by the other. In one place one became the boss, in the other he was the newcomer, with the roles basically reversed. Yet, never was either case a true representation of our relationship. You couldn’t have found two more equally matched people. If one had the edge in one area, the other made up for it in another. Being so closely matched, we competed, daily and well. At times we seemed like enemies, but for the most part the competition was only intense, not destructive. If anything it pushed us both to otherwise unreachable achievements.

Together we seemed to possess a creative chemistry that best manifested itself in the form of the 1974 and 1975 THRESHOLDS. There is no possible way of determining which one of us influenced these two yearbooks in what way or to what degree. Both were products of our combined imaginations, styles, and effort. We sometimes had widely divergent ideas and beliefs, and it showed in our editorial differences; often the source of conflict, but also the source of a similarity; we both wanted to do better work, together we made each other do their best, and that was good for you, your yearbook, and us.

At this time we would like to thank the many friends and associates without whose help this book never could have been produced. First, to our advisor Mr. Joe Free

man, we would like to express our sincere appreciation for his help and guidance over the last two years. He both knew how to cut red tape, and how to keep us on the right track. When we needed him, he was there, and you can’t ask for a better advisor than that.

Second, we would like to thank our former Director of Davis Hall, Kathie Armillotti. Kathie somehow put up with having two of her three assistant directors as editors of Western’s yearbook. She allowed us maximum flexibility with our hours and activities, which in turn allowed us to complete our work in both places with the minimum amount of hassle and pressure.

Many of our fellow residents eventually came to be involved with the THRESHOLD. Our floors were a constant source of helpers, several, such as the workhorse Doug Lease, and fellow staff Bill Audette, and Lisa Wigrig, became editors. At one time or another well over a hundred people were involved with the actual production of THRESHOLD. Of those, several deserve special mention. Deb Unruh doubled as the THRESHOLD utility woman and safety valve over the past two years. When the pressure was on and the time short the Red Streak could always be counted on to pull us through. You name it; she could, would, and did do it. Unbelievable, and terrific. Another workhorse on the staff was Deb Hochrien. The technician behind the index and another dependable typist, Deb provided both the prodding and momentum needed to get us through the long, long, year. The best business manager THRESHOLD has had in a long time was the energetic Greg Potter whose enthusiasm, and genuine interest in THRESHOLD, increased communication between editorial and business sides of the book one hundred percent.

As to the book itself, well, its been fun, and it hasn’t been fun. There was always merriment worked into the long and tedious hours of labor, and that made working the book seem worthwhile, but there were also other aspects that took away much of the satisfaction of a job well done. All was not rosy with the staff. There were editors and helpers alike who let us down in one way or another at times. But the biggest headaches had nothing to do with either the staff or making the book itself. They came from a constant worry and uncertainty about the future of THRESHOLD. The book was never a best seller, and money has run short in recent years, so short that we were facing an accumulated deficit of nearly forty thousand dollars at the end of this year. But instead of finding additional support for the THRESHOLD, WMU’s administration decided to cure us by removing their support, financially at least. A one year moratorium was placed on yearbook production in the hope of either spurring new student support for the book, or putting us out of business permanently.

And the worst part was that they couldn’t have picked a worse time. Sales figures indicated that we were finally recovering from our long slump. Interest was reviving in many areas of the university community. More organizations were buying pages, more seniors were getting their pictures taken, and most important, more people were buying the book, forty percent more. But it was too little too late. Late in June we were informed that there definitely would be no 1976 THRESHOLD. And no one knew what the moratorium would bring, whether, it would kill our momentum or spur it, or whether any amount of support and interest would be enough for the university to bring the THRESHOLD back ever.

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