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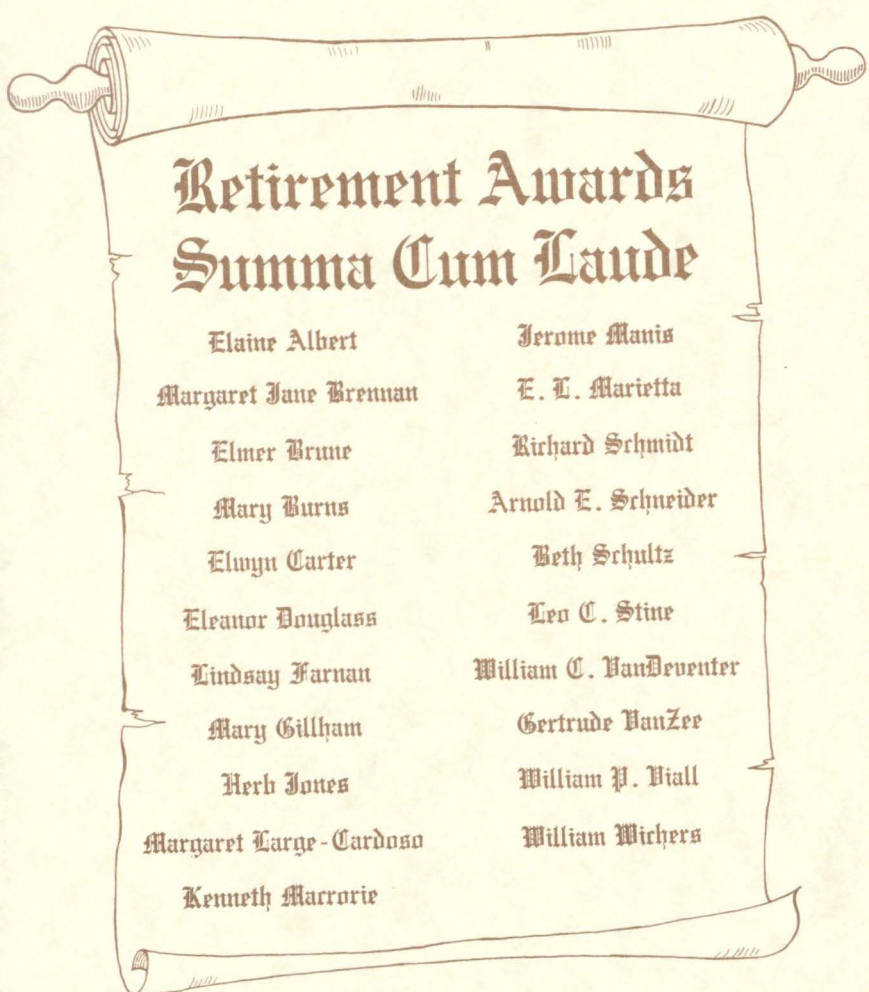
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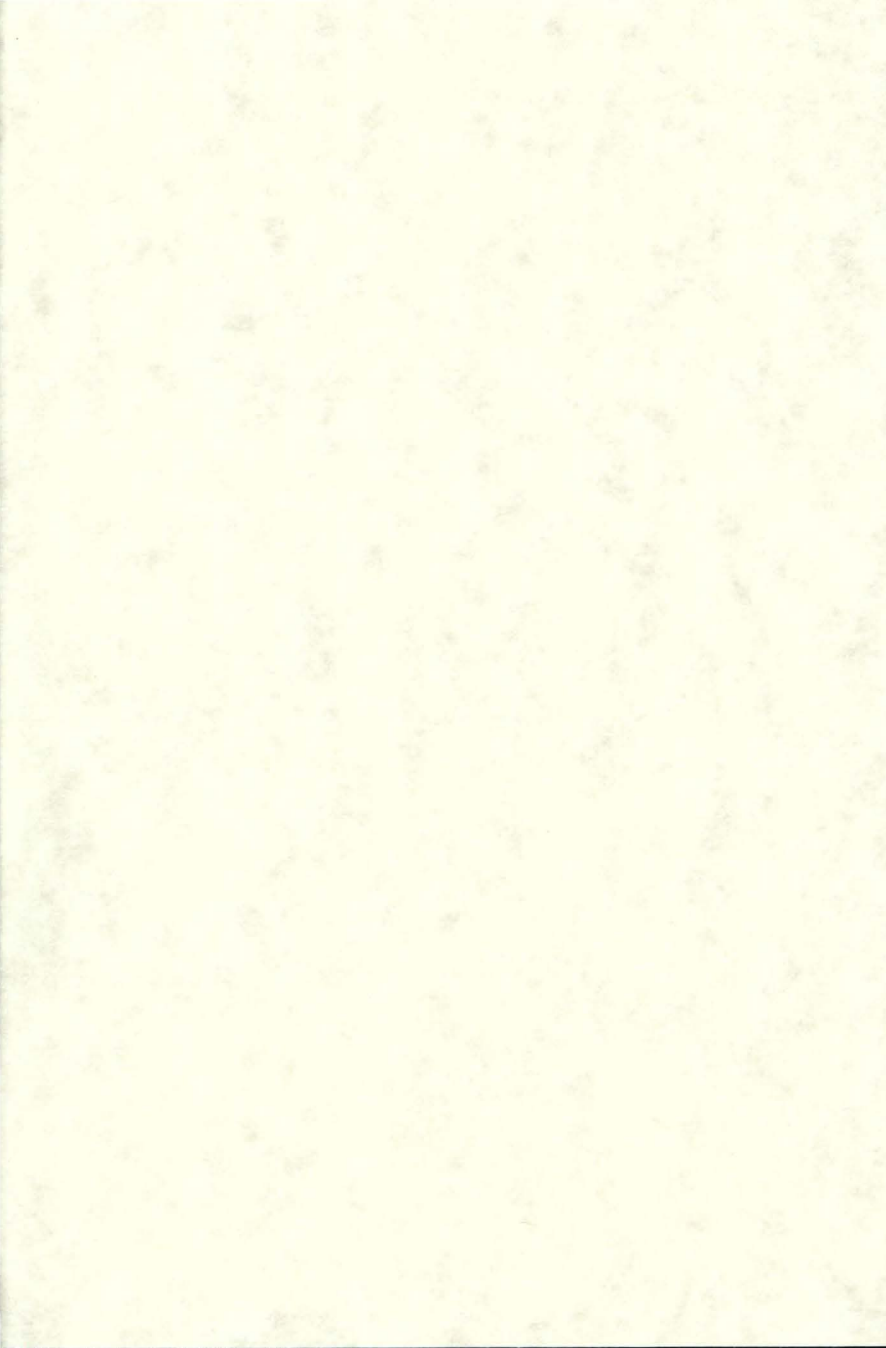




## Retirement Awards Summa Cum Laude

Elaine Albert	Jerome Manis
Margaret Jane Brennan	E. L. Marietta
Elmer Brune	Richard Schmidt
Mary Burns	Arnold E. Schneider
Elwyn Carter	Beth Schultz
Eleanor Douglass	Leo C. Stine
Lindsay Farnan	William C. VanDeventer
Mary Gillham	Gertrude VanZee
Herb Jones	William P. Viall
Margaret Large-Cardoso	William Wichers
Kenneth Macrorie	

FACULTY RECOGNITION DINNER  
JUNE 2, 1979



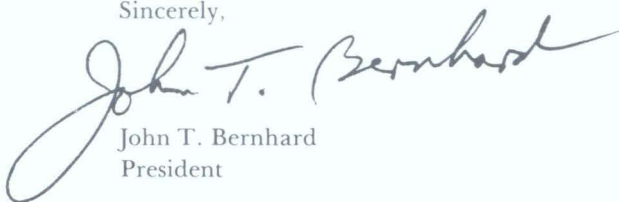
## WELCOME

The Faculty Senate and the University Administration are delighted that you could attend the 1979 Recognition Dinner tonight.

This special occasion is intended to express our sincere appreciation to the new group of Emeriti, who have served Western long and well. In addition, it is also an opportunity to welcome back many other beloved Emeriti.

Finally, all of you are cordially invited to visit with friends in the Faculty Lounge following dinner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "John T. Bernhard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being the most prominent part, followed by "T." and then "Bernhard".

John T. Bernhard  
President

## EMERITI, FACULTY

HONOR to you . . .

for inspiring in students a thirst for learning and a deep respect for truth and justice . . .

for dedication to teaching that has touched the hearts and the minds of students . . .

for tasks always well-done and completed . . .

for your constant loyalty to the entire Western Community . . .

for leaving a legacy of fidelity and integrity more precious than riches . . .

HONOR to you.

## PROGRAM

Welcome by Master of Ceremonies . . . . .	Norman Russell
A Toast: To Our Honorees . . . . .	Laurel Grotzinger
Invocation . . . . .	Paul Maier
Dinner	
Greetings from the Faculty Senate . . . . .	Samuel Clark
Medley from "Carousel" by Rodgers . . . . .	Joyce Zastrow accompanied by Joanne Shillito
Recognition of Achievements	
The Deans' Lists	
The President's Awards . . . . .	John Bernhard
Gratifying Moments . . . . .	Ruth Heinig and David Isaacson
"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times . . ." (Dickens) . . . . .	Leo Stine

### HONORED GUESTS

Tonight we honor 21 of our esteemed colleagues who are achieving emeriti status. They have given a total service of 487½ years at Western. May they have a very happy, full and challenging future.



ELAINE A. ALBERT  
Assistant Professor of English

On meeting the smiling, radiant, friendly Elaine Acker Albert, one would probably not announce, "Ah, there is a rebel!" But rebel she is, as was George Bernard Shaw, whose phonic alphabet has been put to effective use by Elaine Albert. "How Does It Feel to Begin to Learn to Read?" she answers in her study of the Shavian-alphabet edition of *Androcles and the Lion*, translated into a practical guide for the teaching of reading.

This outstanding teacher of reading has assisted hundreds of non-readers to become functionally literate and educated hundreds of teachers to assist other non-readers. The effectiveness of that chain of influence has been furthered by her book, *Reading with Hornbook and Fescue* (published in 1974), in which the author shows how a 15th century, alphabet-centered Hornbook used as a *method* in one-to-one teaching can truly give Johnny the skill of being able to read.

"I have tutored in literacy," she writes, "individuals from ages 5 to college seniors. My most dramatic observation has been the sudden access of courage that comes to the learner when he realizes how he is taking hold, how reading is done."

Truly a rebel, Elaine was teaching phonics in decades when PHONICS was out!

With an A.B. from Western College for Women in Oxford, Ohio, and an M.A. from Middlebury College in Vermont, with study at Bread Loaf School of English, and many additional hours earned at the University of Michigan and Chicago University, foundations were well laid for the energetic and sound teaching procedures of this English teacher, who has always put teaching above all other activities. A Montessorian by persuasion, a Bookworm by inclination, mother of four sons, recipient of an Encyclopedia Britannica Award from the University of Chicago, Elaine has found time for tutoring, travel, photography, needlepoint, and conversation. Her many friends and her students all grade her A+.



## MARGARET JANE BRENNAN

Professor of Home Economics

The "old sod" of her Irish ancestral homeland would seem to have directed the choice of vocation and avocations of Margaret Jane Brennan. Her keen interests in food and nutrition, child development and family relations and gardening bear witness to her roots as do her wit, mirth, and broad smile.

By profession a home economist, Margaret Jane Brennan has devoted her long teaching career at Western and elsewhere to forming others in the domestic sciences. Interested in her students as individuals and willing to spend much time "beyond the call of duty" to see them achieve their goals, she is most often remembered by them as an imaginative, challenging and innovative professor.

A graduate of Western in 1937, she returned to her Alma Mater in 1965 as a member of the faculty, having earned a master's degree in home economics from Columbia University in 1943 and a doctor of education degree in 1963 from Pennsylvania State University. In addition to teaching posts in Iowa and Pennsylvania, Margaret Jane Brennan has served as a consultant on numerous occasions; for over four and a half years she lent her expertise to the Michigan Department of Public Instruction as a vocational home economist and family life education consultant. Her very active professional career spans more than 38 years of teaching, supervision and administrative work.

Retiring from Western does not imply a less busy round of activities. Gardening, collecting antiques, church work, and caring for her Irish setter "Meg" and cockapoo "Cindy" will keep Margaret Jane Brennan moving at a brisk pace. A second and leisurely trip to the Emerald Isle is planned for the fall of 1979. The familiar call of the "old sod" may be responsible for her now considering going into Real Estate!

## ELMER BRUNE

Associate Professor of Industrial Engineering

Elmer Brune, who holds B.S. and M.A. degrees from WMU, joined the Engineering and Technology staff in 1956, seventeen years after earning his B.S. degree here and meanwhile, being industrial education instructor at South Haven High School. He has co-authored a book, *Welding Skills and Practices*, for the American Technical Society and has written articles appearing in professional journals during his tenure at Western. A charter member of the National Cooperative Education Association, Mr. Brune has also held membership in the Midwest Cooperative Education Society, the American Society for Engineering Education, and the American Foundrymen's Society, of which he was Past Chairman.

A major contribution to the university community has been his work as director of cooperative education for the College of Applied Sciences. Juniors and seniors specializing in automotive, electrical and drafting skills have had the rare opportunity to study and go into the field. The liaison work for this industrial experience is due to the dedication and diligence of Elmer Brune, who has been able to develop many contacts in southwestern Michigan. Through his efforts substantial scholarship support has benefited students of the college. More than two hundred students are currently enrolled in the "Coop" program.

WMU's young men and women majoring in the technical and applied areas of science are indeed grateful for Elmer Brune's continued support and encouragement during their formative years. The entire university community wishes him well in the future.

MARY BURNS  
Professor of Social Work

Look out across a beautiful golf course in Florida. Can that be the hard working, tend-to-business Mary Burns? Is she actually puttering around? Move a little closer and you'll discover she is using a beautiful rosewood putter given her by her colleagues, a reward for not letting her intense love of golf overcome her great sense of duty.

Dr. Mary Burns has a reputation for a solid sense of humor as well as a firm foundation in her chosen field of social work. She joined the WMU faculty as full professor in 1969, was School of Social Work director of field education between January, 1977 and April, 1978 and was chairman of its curriculum committee from January, 1977 till retirement.

Before coming to Western, Mary Burns was professor of social work at the University of Michigan, 1960-1969, and was at the University of Texas between 1951 and 1960. While at Texas she was on leave in 1954-55 as a Fulbright Professor, consulting on field work at three schools of social work in Egypt. Such consultation is not "foreign" to her; she has been busy in this country serving in a variety of public and private agencies and being supervisor of casework services. Departments of social work throughout the country have called on her for evaluations and recommendations.

A graduate of the University of Michigan, where she received a master of social work degree, Mary Burns earned, in 1958, a Ph.D. in social work, an accomplishment that only those in the social work field can properly assess; hers was one of the first Ph.D.'s in the field.

Dr. Burns has written more than a dozen published articles in professional journals. But take another look out there on that Florida golf course! Do you think she'll be doing any more writing? Rumor has it that the day after she retired she was on her way to Florida, rosewood putter in hand and sportswoman's gleam in the eye.

## ELWYN F. CARTER

Professor of Music

Elwyn "Doc" Carter reigned as Western's "Music Man" par excellence from 1945 through 1978. He directed activities of the Music Department from his podium in the chairman's office from 1945 to 1965. This "Carter Era" produced nothing but successes: the establishment of a music degree program, the building of the Harper C. Maybee Music Hall, and the expansion of music majors and faculty.

Relinquishing the baton of an administrator, "Doc" continued his conducting career in the classroom and on the concert stage. His vocal group was the Varsity Vagabonds, the "Vags," which offered countless Western students learning and performing experiences under the watchful eye and the discerning ear of a real "pro." His protégés admire in him the breadth of his musical background, his high standards of artistry and his gentle, critical sense.

In every extent this man of music is an imposing person, from head to toe and from academic and artistic preparation to community and church involvement. "Doc" graduated from Alma College with a B.A. degree. From Michigan he traveled to the Juilliard School of Music from which he earned a certificate. He holds two advanced degrees, the master's and the doctorate, from Columbia University. In addition to his tireless efforts in improving the musical environment of Western, "Doc" has lent his expertise to the training and performance of the choir of the Parchment United Methodist Church, a "temporary" position that has existed now for eleven years.

Travelers to the environs of Petoskey may hear a new songbird when warmer weather arrives in Michigan. This warbler will be none other than "Doc" vocalizing in the wilds. He and his wife Sara intend to enjoy fully their cabin up north and their family as they both begin their retirement.

Western is indeed grateful for the many years of dedication of individuals like "Doc" Carter through whose efforts the university has gained national reputation for its quality education.

## ELEANOR N. DOUGLASS

Associate Professor of Health, Physical Education and Recreation

She's a fighter! and was, before the N.O.W. generation.

Eleanor N. Douglass joined Western's Women's Physical Education staff in 1948 having previously taught at preparatory schools in Massachusetts and Rhode Island and Pine Manor Junior College, Wellesley, Mass. She earned her bachelor's degree at Boston University and later took a master's at Western. Always a good professional person, "Ellie" was a member of several organizations, including the Michigan Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. She represented her colleagues well as a Faculty Senator. Friendly deeds to people of all ages revealed the depth of her genuine kindness and thoughtfulness.

Students fondly remember Eleanor Douglass as an excellent teacher whose striving for perfection in her work and in her expectations of others was accompanied by a friendly smile. But still she was a "tough lady."

For several years "Ellie" was coordinator of all activities in the Oakland Gym. Her male counterparts decided to take over the whole locker room area for men's P.E. She stood her ground before giving up one shower head. Relying on her tenacity and her spirit of invention, she designated where a partition could be placed which would give the gentlemen the extra space they needed without taking away the existing privileges of the women.

Brava to you, Eleanor! Western will remember the fighter "she" had in you.



## LINDSAY G. FARNAN

Associate Professor of Industrial Education

Three decades of teaching at Western are behind him now. Lindsay G. Farnan arrived on campus in the fall of 1948 as a member of the Industrial Education Department. Quarters for the department have made major advances since that time. As a "new" professor he had his own shop on a temporary balcony constructed of wood which was located over the commercial print shop in the old Manual Training Building. His paternal instincts drove him to chastise the workers below for their "colorful" language when he was instructing the young women enrolled in his arts and craft courses. The modern conveniences and atmosphere of the new "Tech Building" have made this type of extramural discipline less of a chore.

His colleagues report that he was the "first among seconders" to bring support to motions at faculty and governance meetings. They wonder who will carry on this tradition in the department. His co-workers will regret the absence of Lindsay Farnan as an effective and hard-working member of the staff, a friend with a great sense of humor and near-professional talents for whistling.

Born north of the border in Sydney, Nova Scotia, Lindsay Farnan earned a bachelor's degree from New York State University at Buffalo and a master's from Iowa State University where he taught for one year prior to his coming to Western. Along with his skillful teaching, his interest and enthusiasm in the progress of his students, and his extracurricular activities for the department, he has on occasion found time to serve as a state judge and program presenter at Michigan Industrial Education conventions.

Let it be moved that you, Lindsay Farnan, have many best wishes from your friends and colleagues at Western! Is there a second?

## MARY GILLHAM

Assistant Professor of Librarianship

"Gillham's Island" is not tucked away in library stacks, nor is it at the fireside where Mary enjoys her needlework and reading. Mary Gillham's retreat is in the woods, close to nature, a hike away from library and classes and committees such as Undergraduate Counseling, Admissions, Recruitment, Colloquium, School Media.

That urge to take her camera and go hiking in the woods is stifled by a professional conscience that sends Mary Gillham to library association meetings. She takes an active part in the American Library Association, the Michigan Library Association (where she served on the Program Committee for the School Librarians' section), the Association of American Library Schools, the American Association of School Librarians, and Beta Phi Mu, National Library Honorary Society.

With a B.A. degree from Monmouth College and an M.S. in Library Science from the University of Illinois, Mary Gillham came to Western in 1965 from Illinois where she was Head Librarian in Proviso West High School in Hillside and Assistant Librarian at Monmouth College. She also taught summer sessions at the University of Illinois, the University of Kentucky and the University of Oregon. Then, for three summers Mary Gillham planned and conducted workshops for high school library assistants in Michigan.

Recently a secret, a Mary Gillham secret, came to light. Not only was she catching images through the photographic lens, but was also aptly depicting her own thoughts in a bit of limerick style:

There once was an Illinois gal  
Who assumed she would always there dwell,  
But she went for a drive  
In the year '65,  
And suddenly changed her locale.  
She encountered a lady named Jean  
Who told her the grass here was green!  
(And who was to know  
About all of the snow?)  
So she came — and remained — on the scene.



## HERB B. JONES

Associate Professor of Modern and Classical Languages

For some thirty years Western Michigan University had its very own Spanish "grandee-in-residence": his castle was Smith Burnham and Vandercook Halls; his steed, a diesel Mercedes; and his field of action, the foreign-language classroom. Herb B. Jones is this gentleman.

An ambassador for the Spanish-speaking world on Western's campus, Herb Jones not only taught conjugations of verbs and the thousand-and-one idioms of the native tongue of Cervantes, his favorite author, he also promoted a deep understanding of the cultural and literary contexts in which these linguistic entities are found. His total commitment to quality education and the resultant deep appreciation of his students contributed to his receiving the Alumni Association's "Outstanding Teacher Award" in 1972.

If his teaching career mirrors the ideals of a Don Quixote figure, there is also something of a Sancho Panza, the realist, in Herb Jones. His "ante-Western" years reveal this tendency. Born in the territory of Alaska, he subsequently moved to Montana and Wyoming before the age of six. He took a year off from his undergraduate studies at Nebraska State Teachers College in Chadron for *una aventura* in an old Durant south of the border. During World War II Herb Jones was stationed in Cuba for three years; he reportedly introduced Hemingway to *El Floridita*, the restaurant that would become the author's favorite haunt in Havana. Just prior to his arrival in Kalamazoo in 1948, Herb Jones earned a Master's degree from the University of Mexico.

His Mercedes has now been retired and replaced with a diesel-powered Oldsmobile. With the classroom far behind, Herb Jones is seeking new *aventuras* in travel and living as he rides new roads in retirement.

## MARGARET LARGE-CARDOSO

Professor of Health, Physical Education and Recreation

Margaret Large no sooner reached Western Michigan in 1949 than she started a one-woman campaign against smoking, long before other health-conscious people dared voice their objection to smoke-polluted air. "No Smoking" was the Large order of the day.

But wait! Why does Margaret's name remind her friends of the most smoke-filled Christmas in Western's history? Legend has it that Large logs were a part of Christmas tradition on campus at the Faculty Women's Club annual Chocolate at Walwood. Margaret, the keeper of the Yule Log, heaved the greatest log of all onto the fire. Dampers have a way of responding irrationally, and so it was: smoke filled the air, the merrymakers departed, and one Christmas tradition came to a smoky end.

But Margaret Large-Cardoso is better known for building other fires. A highly respected professor of Health Education, this native of British Columbia, Canada, has made a profound impression on her students. She received the Michigan School Health Association's 1973 "Distinguished Service Award," and MAHPER's 1974 "Honor Award." Her research has included the effects of cigarette smoking, a study which became the basis for WMU's first health education course.

During World War II, Margaret served as YMCA assistant director, War Services, attached to the Royal Canadian Air Force. She received her bachelor's degree from the University of Toronto, a master's from Wayne State University, and a Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan. Before coming to Western she taught at Ripon College in Wisconsin.

At WMU Margaret Large-Cardoso has been the Coordinator of Health Education, teacher, adviser, and Curriculum Committee Chairperson.

Her home is now with Mr. Cardoso in Ontario. Canada has reclaimed one of her favorite daughters.

## KENNETH MACRORIE

Professor of English

If you'll join Ken Macrorie in "A Room With Class," you'll find some of the secrets of the success of this teacher who was the recipient of a WMU Alumni Teaching Excellence Award in 1968. Five times a year, Macrorie's column, "A Room With Class," in the publication *Media and Method*, offers advice to teachers on how to become more effective in their craft. That cleverly provocative title itself is indicative of his own facile mind, which has stimulated creativity in so many students and teachers always.

Ken Macrorie's national reputation as an author in the fields of communication, English, and creative writing is further bolstered by over forty articles and four books in these fields. Also, there is his two-year position as editor of the quarterly journal of the National Council of Teachers of English, *College Composition and Communication*.

Writing about alternatives to as well as the weaknesses of college teaching, Ken Macrorie has given all teachers practical advice in *Uptaught* and *A Vulnerable Teacher*. His present workshops in Oregon and California, his continuing activity of writing and speaking, have kept him busy since his retirement in September, 1978. As he states it, "I am not a retiring person."

A 1940 graduate of Oberlin College, he received a master's degree from the University of North Carolina in 1948 and a doctorate from Columbia University in 1955. He joined Western's faculty as an assistant professor of English in 1961. Previously he had taught at Michigan State University and at San Francisco State University.

Ken Macrorie is not often found at home, but when he is, the address is 537 Franklin St., Sante Fe, New Mexico. A more certain location would be in some workshop for teachers anywhere along the Western coast of the United States.

## JEROME G. MANIS

Professor of Sociology

Before delving into the academic *vita* of sociologist Jerome G. Manis, let's have a look at Jerry the human being, as described by one of his department colleagues:

"Jerry is totally selfless, always considering other people. He puts his sociological research to work for other human beings. He's an indefatigable optimist, seeing the silver linings in situations where others see defeats and he brings victory out of that defeat. For Jerry there is always a benefit to be gained from disaster, and by working at the solution he makes apparent disaster turn into a victory. He is a facilitator, a CREATOR. He believes that by working creatively for a solution to a problem, one can make the best come true."

Ah, a DREAMER! you might think. Oh, no. Look at the practical aspects of his optimistic approach to sociological problems, represented in his research: Project Evaluator, Kalamazoo Occupational Alcohol Program; Director, "The Urban Community as Laboratory;" grantee, National Science Foundation and U.S. Public Health Service; WMU Institute of International and Area Studies; "Mental Health in Okayama" and U.S. Office of Education; "Education of Migrant Children;" National Rapporteur for UNESCO.

His three books and over thirty monographs and articles show a further wide range of participation and research: suburban problems, technological developments, class consciousness among textile workers, Filipino students, and problems of rural areas.

A WMU faculty member since 1952, Jerome Manis earned his B.A. from Wayne State University, master's from the University of Chicago, and Ph.D. from Columbia University. He has been Director of Western's Sociological Research, a member of the Research Policies Council, a board member of the Grand Rapids-Western Michigan Center for Educational Studies. He was Vice-President and Program Chairman of the North Central Sociological Association and President of the Michigan Sociological Association.

This Fulbright lecturer in Yugoslavia, Israel, Singapore, Taiwan, and the Philippines has brought his sociological theories to the HOME front, where the two-career couple, Laura and Jerry, show that considerate sharing and human liberation can really work.



## E. L. MARIETTA

Professor of Business Education and Administrative Services

The term "serviceman" takes on new connotations when used to describe the dedication and performance of E.L. Marietta in community affairs. Known as a humble person who will go out of his way to help people, he is a "hyper-active" member of the Westside Kalamazoo Kiwanis Club, having been its president and board member and having served as the Lieutenant Governor of Michigan Division 13 of that organization. His energies have been annually lent to the United Way campaign, to which he is consistently "first and foremost" in his contributions. In addition, he offers his time to teach Sunday school at the First Baptist Church.

Kalamazoo's gain has also been Western's. E.L. Marietta joined the faculty in 1962 as head of the Business Education and Administrative Services Department after having taught at the Universities of Iowa and Northern Iowa and Michigan State University. With his B.Ed. degree from Southern Illinois University, his M.A. and Ph.D. in Business Education were taken at the University of Iowa. He has authored short pieces appearing in Business Education journals and has been a staunch supporter of Western's Pi Omega Pi, undergraduate professional organization.

Educational ventures abroad have led him to the African continent on two occasions. From 1966-1968 he lived in Nigeria with his family and participated in the WMU team, sponsored by the U.S. Agency for International Development, that provided instruction at The Polytechnic College in Ibadan. Several years later he lent his expertise at the American University in Cairo, Egypt, as a Consultant for Business Education during a three-week session. In 1978 he returned there to teach an alphabet shorthand system.

Kalamazoo and the world have profited from the many services rendered by E.L. Marietta.

## RICHARD H. SCHMIDT

Professor of Psychology

If you need a financial tip, ask Dick! The major hobby of Richard H. Schmidt is playing the stock market and the manipulation of bonds, gold and other investments. The goddess Fortuna has smiled on him according to those who have enviously watched his piles of coins grow. His major regret in money matters—one that his former colleagues would undoubtedly share—is that he failed to invest in the coffee market when coffee was 10 cents per cup.

Richard Schmidt's business acumen may come from his "academic" knowledge of human behavior; he is a consulting psychologist by profession. For more than a score of years he was a teacher in WMU's Psychology Department and, during part of that time, served in the Graduate College as Director of Professional Field Experiences. He was, in fact, instrumental in setting up the system of control and supervision for the various internship programs of advance-degree students.

Before coming to Western in 1955 Richard Schmidt had taught at Gustavus Adolphus College and had served as acting head of the Psychology Department for two years. He earned the bachelor's, master's and Doctor of Education degrees from Oklahoma State University. The war years found him in the Army Student Training Program as a Personnel Consultant, "on-the-job training" for a future Clinical Psychologist.

Those who desire free advice on the stock market may have to travel some distance consuming gallons of "black gold." Dick and Fredericka Schmidt have already moved to Sun City, Arizona!

ARNOLD E. SCHNEIDER  
Distinguished Professor of Business

"But, soft! what light through yonder window breaks! Is it the sun in the east or Dean Arnold Schneider?" Among the many bright spots of Western's history is the overwhelming contribution of the former Dean of the College of Business, Arnold E. Schneider. He is the person most responsible for the burgeoning growth of operations and activities on the "East Campus."

Friends and colleagues of Arnold Schneider are in awe of his endless resources of energy and his keen ability to harness these forces for constructive ends. Arriving on campus in 1947 to head the new Department of Business Education, he immediately put ideas and muscles to work, expanding faculty, majors and programs. In 1956 he assumed the first deanship of the then School of Business until returning to the classroom as a Distinguished Professor in 1974.

Tracing the orbit of this man set in perpetual motion leads this biographer to Iowa State Teachers College, where Arnold Schneider took his bachelor of science degree in Business, then to the University of Iowa where he earned his master of arts. The *terra firma* of the University of Michigan was the site of his doctorate.

His particular interest in the business field lies in management development programs; he has authored four books and many magazine articles. A significant feature of his success as an administrator and teacher has been his ability to link academics with local and national business concerns.

But hark! A muse—far from Avon—appears and sees his future thus:

Arnold Schneider keeps on spinning,  
As he descends from yonder hill.  
In his swimming or ice skating,  
Limitless drive propels his will.



## BETH SCHULTZ

Professor of Biology

On the ground or in the air, Beth Schultz is fully licensed. After flight training she received her Private Pilot's license in 1943. Four years before that time, she began her career of piloting students through the fields of science where ecology, both terrestrial and aquatic, has consumed her talents, time, and energies.

Take a stroll through Goldsworth Valley and offer a special thank-you to Beth Schultz for her ten-year fight to keep the beauty of that campus area in its natural state. Here is one spot where our thousands of students can find room to breathe, sights to enjoy in an environment that invites time to dream, to plan, to share, to discover the fundamentals of balance in life.

Biologist Beth Schultz began life in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and followed a route that took her to Temple University, Cornell University, and eventually to a doctor's degree at the University of Florida. We see her studying ornithology, taxonomy, meteorology, and all other earth, water, and sky "ologies," teaching and training students in high schools, at State Teachers College in Oneonta, New York, at the University of Florida, Ohio State University, the University of Rochester, Cornell University, in addition to having a staff position at a National Science Foundation Workshop at the University of Kentucky. She joined the WMU faculty in 1958.

Beth has written extensively and can claim recognition in her field with authorship (together with Phyllis Marcuccio) of a C.E. Merrill publication, *Investigations in Ecology*.

Her national recognition in the field of science is expressed in her election to the presidency of the Council of Elementary Science, an affiliate of the National Science Teachers Association, an office she now holds. She has been active in both organizations and on the advisory board and consultant for *Science and Children*, the elementary journal of the National Science Teachers Association.

## LEO C. STINE

### Distinguished Professor of Political Science

Carpenter Leo Stine will build a desk and chair and then sit to build strategy as Chairman of the Continuing Education Council, a member of the Faculty Reorganization Committee (which, in 1953, proposed the Faculty Senate), editor of *The New Campus*, Journal of the Association for Continuing Professional Education, and Acting Director of the Center for Public Administration Programs (1978-79).

But wait a minute. That's not all. When Leo Stine isn't building furniture, he finds time to direct the Michigan Citizen Clearing House (from 1957-1960) or to write. He was one of six political scientists in the state chosen to write a booklet informing citizens concerning the proposed Constitutional Convention for the state.

Then, there is time for golf. Leo Stine has a reputation for playing a very unorthodox game of golf, a game, it is whispered, he really plays very well. This reputation is balanced by his good name as a churchman: Past President of the Kalamazoo County Council of Churches and a hard-working Methodist.

Yes, METHOD is the word found also in an article written for *Improving College and University Teaching*, Spring, 1968: "Our Materials and Our Methods." Then for the *Journal of East Asiatic Studies*, March, 1966, this builder takes us to the Philippines: "The Economic Policies of the Commonwealth Government of the Philippine Islands."

Dr. Stine joined Western's Political Science faculty in 1952 and served as Associate Dean, Graduate College from 1962 till 1969. At that time he was appointed Dean of Continuing Education, a post he held till 1977, when he returned to teaching as a distinguished professor.

In 1976 Leo Stine was cited by the Michigan State Legislature for his contribution to Michigan Higher Education, a recognition of his extensive contribution, particularly in his articles published on politics, the nature of democracy, state and local government, foreign assistance, and the teaching of social studies.

## WILLIAM C. VANDEVENTER

Professor of Biology

A modern-day "Renaissance man," who has been a member of Western's faculty since 1953, is William C. VanDeventer. His intellectual pursuits and avocations are many and varied. A distinguished member of the Department of Biology, he enjoys a national reputation in his area of specialization, Science Education. Over his long and active professional career he has written some ninety publications including articles and books. At WMU he served as head of his department from 1953-1963 and, while in this capacity, initiated the graduate program in Biology.

Outside of his teaching area William VanDeventer still remains in the "know." He has, for example, a broad knowledge of many aspects of religion: the origins of belief, their validity and their effects on mankind. Medieval history has long fascinated him; he has been an ardent supporter of the Medieval Institute and its activities. Good friends and acquaintances are often the lucky recipients of verse penned by his skillful hand. And this Missouri farmboy also remains close to his roots; he is an avid backyard gardener of fruits and vegetables and giver of sound advice on planting in Michigan.

William VanDeventer earned his bachelor's degree in his home state at Central Methodist College. Moving east, he took both master's and doctorate degrees at the University of Illinois. Other academic background includes post-doctoral work at Columbia University.

"Bill" and his wife Irene will remain in Kalamazoo sharing in the pursuits of study and garden; their mutual affection for cats will continue to be a keen interest of theirs. It is reported that a feline household member is appropriately named "28-mice" unless it has added another notch to its gun (or tail to its collection) since the writing of this prose.

## GERTRUDE VAN ZEE

Associate Professor, University Libraries

Are there two Gertrude VanZees? Do you know either one—or both?

"She is very sweet, kind, pleasant, and serious," says one associate.

"She has a shrewd, almost devastating sense of humor," says another. "You have to listen carefully to catch her subtle innuendoes."

All of this is a part of the one and only Gertrude VanZee: Library representative on the Senate, 1957-60, member of the Task Force on Orientation, All-University Committee on Undergraduate Education at WMU, 1970-71, Faculty Merit Award recipient, 1977, and chiefly, head of the Catalogue Department at Waldo Library since her appointment in 1963.

In addition to all the above, she has been Chairman of the Library Reclassification Committee, member of the Library Promotions Committee and of the Tenure and Personnel Committee, and Chairman of the Filing Rules Committee for six and a half years.

A graduate of Hope College, Gertrude VanZee continued her studies in Librarianship at WMU, the University of California, and the University of Michigan, and received ABLS and MALS degrees.

Have you given much thought lately to the expertise that makes the information found on a card in the library catalogue so helpful? Most of us take it very much for granted—a system that seems to have evolved quite naturally since the days of leaf filing in the Garden of Eden. Let members of the staff at Waldo Library tell you of the time, effort, care, and knowledge that has gone into Gertrude's catalogue reforms, a project extending six months beyond her retirement date. As editor of *Filing Rules for Author and Title Catalogue*, she has placed Western in the vanguard of a new library development and has made her mark here and in her field. Waldo Library carries the stamp of her dedication, a spirit that extends to her church, too.

A special thanks to that kind, pleasant, sweet, serious Gertrude VanZee, that one with the devastating sense of humor.



WILLIAM P. VIALI  
Professor of Educational Leadership

The Grand Canal, San Marco's Square and the Bridge of Sighs: these are some of the many attractions Venice has to offer the tourist. A veteran traveler to Europe is William P. Viall who is taking in these glories on the Adriatic while Western honors its retirees tonight.

William Viall joined the WMU faculty of the Department of Educational Leadership in 1963 after a long and full career elsewhere as a teacher on the high school and university levels, educational consultant and state director of teacher personnel and curricula. Much of his earlier professional life was led in his native state of New York and in New Hampshire. His energies have continued in full force at Western where he has been Professor of School Services, Chairman of Graduate Advisors, Director of Student Personnel Services and Coordinator of Special Projects for the School of Education.

Over the years William Viall has amassed an impressive list of special assignments and honors, not least among which was his presidency of the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification. Numerous articles and booklets are credited to him in the field of teacher preparation in the sciences and English. His expertise in the Ed. Leadership area has brought benefits to Western in the form of substantial grants.

William Viall's academic training was received at New York State College for Teachers, Albany, where he earned the bachelor's degree. In addition, he holds a master's degree and a Doctorate of Education from the Teachers College, Columbia University.

*Salute!* as one says in the language of Dante. A toast to your past accomplishments and future travels!

**WILLIAM A. WICHERS**  
Professor of Industrial Engineering

A high-flying member of the faculty of Western, with his head often literally in the clouds, has been William A. Wickers, professor of Industrial Engineering. When he joined the staff in 1951, he taught courses primarily in the areas of Airport Management, Navigation and Meteorology. Later in the classroom he specialized in the field of engineering drafting and design.

William Wickers' training can be traced to both academic and industrial sources. A graduate of Hope with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration, he entered a program the following year at the Boeing School of Aeronautics and earned himself a special certificate in Meteorology. For some eleven years he served as a meteorologist with several major airlines and later became an airline dispatcher in Washington, D.C. from 1949-51.

While on the staff of Western he obtained a master's in Industrial Education from this institution and later went on to get his Doctorate of Education in Counseling and Student Services from Michigan State. A principal function in his department has been that of being full-time undergraduate advisor. Working in many Departmental, College and University groups, he has given valuable advice, too, on the Salary Committee and on the Budget and Finance Council of the Faculty Senate. He has also served as first vice-president, secretary and treasurer of the Airline Dispatchers Association and found time to do consulting on management training in the Kalamazoo and Muskegon areas.

Hats off to Western's own flying ace as he soars into new skies.

Punch and Sherry Reception

DINNER

Tomato Juice

Molded Cranberry Salad

Chicken Breast with Sweet and Sour Sauce

Blended Rice

Italian Mixed Vegetables

Assorted Relishes

Rolls and Butter

Bavarian Pie

Beverages



THE FACULTY RELATIONS COMMITTEE  
OF THE SENATE

Ellen Cha, James Daniels, Beth Giedeman (Chairman), David McKee, Joseph Reish, Nancy Thomas; and Emeriti: Deldee Herman and Eleanor Walton.

Special appreciation is due to Sue Timmer, Secretary of the Senate; Carol Patterson, Secretary in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages; Lawrence Brink and his printing staff; Mary Taylor, Forrest Morey, and all others who have participated in this event.





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