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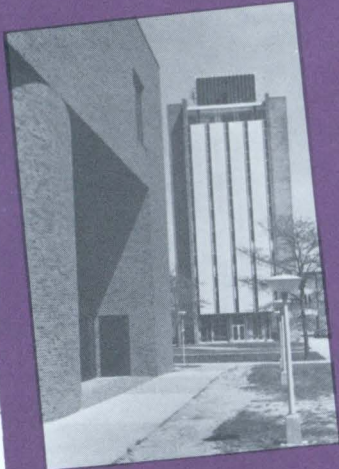
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FACULTY RECOGNITION DINNER

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 1985



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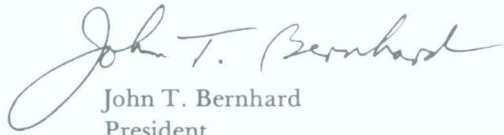
WELCOME

The Faculty Senate and the University Administration are delighted to welcome you to the 1985 Recognition Dinner. We're very pleased you could be here!

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.

We are deeply grateful to all Emeriti for the key role they have played in Western's past achievements, and we trust that the University will always merit their continued support and interest.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "John T. Bernhard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being particularly large and stylized, and the last name "Bernhard" following in a similar script. The signature is positioned above the printed name and title.

John T. Bernhard
President



PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies . . . Paul L. Maier

Welcome Paul L. Maier

Introductions Paul L. Maier

A Toast: To Our Honorees Paul L. Maier

Invocation Jean O. Smith

Dinner

Greetings from the Faculty Senate Fred V Hartenstein

Recognition of Honorees: Presentation of
Emeriti Certificates John T. Bernhard

Welcome to the Ranks of the Emeriti Donald C. Weaver

Honorees' Response A. L. Sebaly

Continuity Through Change John T. Bernhard

Brown and Gold Sung by All
Led by Elmer Beloof, Accompaniment by Margaret Beloof

Sherry and Wine Reception
With Punch

DINNER

Cucumber Soup

Tossed Salad

Chicken Dijonnaise
Rice Complement

Vegetable

Rolls and Butter

Cheese Cake

Beverages

HONORED GUESTS

Tonight we honor twenty of our colleagues who are entering the ranks of Western's esteemed Emeriti. It is good to have this gathering of those who through so many years have contributed so much to the development of Western's valued traditions, yet have always been attuned to the imperatives of new directions.

We thank these new Emeriti for their years of service to Western Michigan University and wish them a full and happy future. By honoring the accomplishments of our Emeriti we also honor the accomplishments of Western, for they are inextricably woven together.

Beatrice Brenton
David H. Curl
Carl J. Engels
Joseph Gill
Fred V Hartenstein
Beatrice Hartman
Robert F. Hopkins
Forrest O. Hutchins
Robert P. Johnston
Herman W. Linder

Owen B. Middleton
Dan Moore
Leo Niemi
Merle Schlosser
Donna N. Schumann
A. L. Sebaly
Virginia Sorenson
Robert B. Wetnight
Charles E. Yunghans
John H. Yzenbaard



BEATRICE BRENTON

Associate Professor of Education and Professional Development

Beatrice Brenton first came to Western in 1969 as a faculty member in the Department of Education and Professional Development after many years as a high school biology teacher and after teaching at Michigan State University where she completed her Ph.D. in Educational Psychology.

While at Western Bea ably taught graduate and undergraduate courses in research methodology, educational psychology, and early childhood education. She also taught the course "Intellectual Assessment" for the Counseling and Personnel Department.

Bea completed post-doctoral courses at Michigan State, Central Michigan, The University of Minnesota, and Western, earning certification as a School Psychologist as well as pursuing interests in the areas of learning disabled children and legal aspects of special education.

She designed and successfully taught a course for regular classroom teachers who taught special education students in their classrooms. She was also asked many times to share her expertise in mainstreaming, learning disabilities, and research in classes taught by her colleagues and always did so with enthusiasm and effectiveness.

Outside of the University she served often as a consultant to the State Department of Education, to the Teacher Corps Projects, and to many public school systems and teachers. With her husband, Doug Gilmore, Bea developed the MSSST index which is used to identify preschool children with learning disabilities. They also completed and presented studies on adult attitudes toward learning disabled children and on the academic growth of learning disabled children in resource room settings.

Bea's cheerful, competent approach to teaching and her keen interest in scholarship and research represent invaluable contributions to the many students and teachers she has taught, to her colleagues, and to the profession itself. We wish her continued success in the professional work she will continue to do and a happy retirement after that.

DAVID H. CURL

Professor of Education and Professional Development

David Curl came to Western Michigan University in 1966 to join Director Dan Moore and others in shaping the new Educational Resources Center and was instrumental in developing a Master's degree program in Audiovisual Media. A proponent of individual, self-paced instruction, he had a major role in the creation of the Educational Media Lab, which has provided training in audiovisual media for students in a variety of courses.

Dave's background in photography formed the foundation for the photography courses in the Education curriculum. Through his classes at the Kalamazoo Institute of the Arts he has contributed greatly to the interest in photography for which the Kalamazoo area has been noted. He has been an instructor at the Winona School of Professional Photography and at numerous workshops, a contributing editor for *Photomethods* magazine, a member of the editorial board of *Multi-Images*, and has served two terms on the Board of Trustees of the Winona School.

He is author of three books, including *Photocommunicatiuon*, widely adopted as a college text, and more than three hundred articles, scripts, and audiovisual productions.

He holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Ohio University (1954), Masters and Doctorate in Instructional Systems Technology (1958, 1961) from Indiana University, and the degree of Photographic Craftsman from the Professional Photographers of America.

Dave has also worked as a photojournalist for Proctor & Gamble and the *Milwaukee Journal*, served as a media specialist at the University of Connecticut and the University of Chicago, and communications media advisor in Ibadan, Nigeria. He recently retired from the U.S. Air Force Reserve with the rank of Colonel, after 31 years of service.

He is now devoting his time as president of Oak Woods Media, Inc., a producer of educational and industrial audiovisual presentations, and to various community projects.

CARL J. ENGELS
Associate Professor of Natural Science

"So much of Western's strength and vitality over the years we have spent together have sprung from those who genuinely care about this place, our students, good teaching, and our intellectual life. You have always been one of those stalwarts, and we would have been a lesser university without you." This is what Vice President Denenfeld wrote Carl at the time of his retirement.

Carl first came to Western in 1953 as Assistant Professor of Education. Between 1964 and 1968, before returning to Western to teach in the College of General Studies, he spent four years as science advisor to the Ibadan Technical College, Nigeria, as part of a WMU project.

He will best be remembered for his intense care and concern for the inclusion of science education in teacher training and for his painstaking contributions to sailing as part of the student experience at Western. An avid sailor himself, for years Carl has been a tough man to beat in Gull Lake competitions.

Carl served two terms as department chair of the Science Area in the College of General Studies. He is an ardent believer in the need for integrated, interdisciplinary courses as part of general education so that students don't just pile up course credit; they must acquire an ability to analyze, to pull together insights from disparate disciplines meaningfully, and to examine critically their developing values.

Carl has served on various local bodies, including the Kalamazoo Noise Abatement Committee, the Airport Advisory Board, and the Wesley Foundation. We know that both he and Doris will continue their services to the Kalamazoo community, and we wish them both the very best in his retirement.

JOSEPH GILL

Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering

Joseph Gill was born in Kansas City, Missouri, but moved to New Castle, Pennsylvania, where he received his education through high school. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering at Tri State University and his Master's degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Business Administration from Michigan State University. He also took graduate class work in Mechanical Engineering at Notre Dame, University of Missouri, and Stanford University.

He worked at the Aerospace Division of the Bendix Corporation in South Bend, Indiana, in many different capacities for about twenty years. His positions included head of the Design and Development Section and Manager of the Space Power Program.

Joe joined the faculty at Western in 1965 and has been selected three times for faculty summer NASA programs as part of twenty-five man teams for the design of major projects. These include project "SAINT" (Satellite Array for International and National Telecommunication), "STARLAB," and an Airship system study for cargo transportation. "SAINT" is a communication satellite designed for worldwide educational purposes. "STARLAB" is a space laboratory design. These projects were carried out at Stanford University, the Marshall Space Center, and the Johnson Space Center respectively.

Joe enjoys traveling and has traveled throughout the United States, Europe, the Caribbean, South America, and the Orient. He traveled to China with the Honors College faculty in 1978. Joe will probably utilize his retirement to pursue his interests and hobbies, which include additional travel.

FRED V HARTENSTEIN
Professor of Management

From Vienna where he spent his youth, Fred Hartenstein retains a large measure of Old World style and elegance uniquely European, but his rapport with his students and dedication to excellence might be a standard for the entire academic world. During a stint in the armed forces of his adopted United States during and following World War II, Fred learned the realities of administration as acting military governor of an occupied town in postwar Germany—skills which he has developed to mastery in the ensuing years.

Fred began a long and distinguished professional career as a lecturer in Economics at the University of Pittsburgh while completing his doctorate there during the immediate postwar years. Following Pitt, he taught for twelve years at Washington & Jefferson, coming to Western in 1959 to join its budding Business School. As that school blossomed into the nationally recognized College of Business which it is today, (currently boasting the ninth largest MBA program in the United States), Fred, as first and founding chairman of the newly formed Management Department, contributed his considerable knowledge and skill as one of the architects of that growth.

Since his arrival on Western's campus, Fred Hartenstein has served in a variety of administrative roles in addition to earning accolades as a senior faculty member. As an Associate Dean of Business, President of the Faculty Senate, and—far from least—as the longest serving Chair of the Department of Management in its history, Fred has established standards which will survive as landmarks far into the future. His departure from the Department and from the University marks the end of an era at Western but new challenges and a new beginning for a man destined to achieve distinction in whatever place he might find himself or in any profession he might have chosen to pursue. We wish Fred and Jean every happiness in the years ahead.

BEATRICE HARTMAN

Assistant Professor of Communication Arts and Sciences

To catalog this lady's academic record and narrate the sequence of events which bring her professional career to this moment of recognition would take too long. Her warm, friendly manner and sparkling vivacity will captivate you. Bea has been devoted to her profession, and her major interest and concern have always been her students and what happened in her classroom.

Trained and tempered in the "old school" where *speech was speech* and *speech* was "the Servant of Man," when there were standards of voice and diction and platform deportment to be emulated, Bea welcomed the new only when convinced that it was better than the old. Rooted in the traditions of the best of ancient rhetoric and in a philosophy of speech embracing the discipline that good public speaking was one of man's most valuable tools for effecting change for a better way of life, her interests and efforts on behalf of her students burst the confines of the classroom and overflowed into the realm of civic concern and participation.

Bea came to Western in 1957, having previously taught at Highland Park Junior College and Michigan State University. She earned her A.B. degree from Dennison University and her M.A. degree from Michigan State University.

She gave generously of her time to students and organizations of campus and community, serving as faculty advisor (The Young Republicans of WMU, The Students for Life, WIDR-FM—Western's student-run radio station), as consultant to many individual businesses and persons, and as member and officer of speech organizations, clubs, boards of directors, and committees.

Although professional in her career and active in her social and political life, Bea welcomes the opportunity to get away from it all. She enjoys traveling, has just returned from a trip West, and will leave shortly on a trip to England. She is never happier than when sailing in her own craft on Orchard Lake near Birmingham where she spends much time with her mother. She hopes in retirement to be able to spend more leisure enjoying her hobbies. She has an extensive film library of old musical comedies and loves to listen to her favorites from the huge "old record collection"—especially Nelson Eddy and Mario Lanza! A lover of good food and wine, she hopes with proper discipline and restraint to explore the world of the traveling gourmet.

ROBERT F. HOPKINS

Professor of Counseling and Personnel

Robert Hopkins has been a faculty member at Western Michigan University since 1975 teaching graduate classes in Student Personnel and Counseling Psychology. He has also served as chair of the MA level Admissions Committee and as a doctoral committee member and chairperson. For four months he was interim chairperson of the Department of Counseling and Personnel.

Bob earned bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees from Michigan State University and has had considerable additional training. He is a Full Licensed Psychologist in the State of Michigan.

Before coming to Western, he was a faculty member in the College of Education, director of the counseling center, and associate dean of students at the University of Toledo. He has also been director of counseling services at Oakland University, director of guidance and school psychologist in the Melvindale Public Schools, counselor in the Dearborn Public Schools, an educational consultant with the Michigan Department of Education in Lansing, and a high school teacher in Fowlerville, Michigan.

Bob has published articles in the National Vocational Guidance Quarterly, School Counselors Journal, APGA Journal, and Southeast Asia Educational Quarterly. His research in hypnosis includes its use with the aged as well as in the treatment of burn patients.

Bob and Fran have moved to Florida where he hopes to indulge his love of the outdoors and particularly his love of sailing. We wish them the best in retirement.

FORREST O. HUTCHINS

Assistant Professor of Engineering Technology

Forrest Hutchins was born in Waukegan, Illinois. He came to Western in 1966 to serve as an instructor in the fledgling flight instruction program. He finished the Master's degree and was promoted to Assistant Professor. In addition to teaching all levels of flight courses and private pilot ground school, he has been active in Flight Instructor Refresher Clinics offered for other instructors in the region.

"Hutch," as he is fondly referred to by all his friends, has been active in aviation since 1940. He has flown well over 10,000 hours in many types of airplanes, with many kinds of missions. Serving as a fighter pilot in WW II, he flew P'40's and P-51's. After the war, he flew for an airline as a charter pilot, as a flight instructor, and in aerial application for agriculture.

Always interested in agriculture, he graduated from Southeastern Louisiana College with a B.A. degree in agriculture. This was followed by a period as a commercial farm manager, and later as operator of an aerial application business, before he went to aviation full-time. His interests dictated that he live in the "country" near Gobles and pursue the challenge of raising horses.

Forrest was admired by his students and respected by others in the aviation community. He served as an Accident Prevention Counselor for the Federal Aviation Administration from 1977 to the present. Between 1978 and 1982, he served as Pilot Examiner under authority of the FAA. In this role, he issued pilot certificates to successful applicants, primarily Western students.

Current hobbies include horses, model aircraft, fishing, and travel. He and his wife Jane will live in the area but spend much of their time on trips in a new travel trailer.

ROBERT P. JOHNSTON
Professor of Art

Bob Johnston came to Western in the summer of 1967 in the midst of a massive faculty hiring program and as the Art Department was expanding greatly. He was the first faculty member to teach the history of art here full time. Over the years he has introduced many new courses including the History of American Art and History of Prints.

Bob studied at the University of Wyoming, Pennsylvania State University, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, and Michigan State University, earning a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in art history as well as a master's degree in sculpture. Before coming to Western, he taught at Hastings College, Nebraska; Lansing Community College; and Mankato State University. He was also a visiting professor at Kalamazoo College and Saint Mary's College in Indiana.

Bob's many publications include those in *Art Journal*, *Michigan Academician*, and *Minority Voices*. He served on the editorial board at the latter from 1977 to 1984. He has been awarded faculty research grants from WMU and the Ford Foundation.

Bob has sculpted a number of portrait reliefs in bronze for buildings on campus including those of Dorothy Dalton and James Miller. He was also the co-designer of the Presidential Medallion in the President's Office. Other portraits are in Lansing, Marquette, and Hastings, Nebraska.

An exhibitor of art work at many national juried shows, Bob is a co-founder of the "Art in Saugatuck" summer program offered through the Department of Art and Division of Continuing Education. This year and next Bob will be assisting in preparing a major exhibition of American Art for the Kalamazoo Institute of Art and the Upjohn Company for its 100th anniversary.

HERMAN W. LINDER

Assistant Professor of Engineering Technology

Herman developed an interest in airplanes at an early age and built lots of models while growing up in Illinois. His experience with stock car racing and service in the U.S. Army as an infantry soldier reinforced his idea that aviation was a better way to go.

Herman earned both Bachelor's and Master's degrees from the University of Illinois at Urbana; he took his first teaching job at Champaign Senior High School. He taught aircraft maintenance and related industrial arts subjects at the high school until 1958, when he joined the faculty at the Institute of Aviation at the University of Illinois. Western's program in aviation technology and management attracted Herman in 1970. He became the lead instructor in aircraft electricity and courses dealing with aircraft structures.

Always concerned with the practical approach and the need for quality in aircraft maintenance, his involvement with the industry showed that he practiced what he preached. He earned an Airframe and Powerplant Mechanic's license by working weekends, evenings, and summers at Illini Airport. He built two airplanes from the ground up, rebuilt a number of others, and became a designated maintenance inspector for the Experimental Aircraft Association (a position in which he was active right up to retirement). Over the years, Herman became a licensed pilot for both single engine land airplanes and gliders. He also became an FAA authorized maintenance inspector and a designated mechanic examiner. He actively assisted in development of aviation curricula in schools other than his own, including work with the Michigan Aerospace Education Association. His consulting included a major curriculum project for Middle Tennessee State University.

Awards and accolades have come from a number of sources, including a 1984 Award for Participation and Leadership from the Experimental Aircraft Association and a 1985 Award for Outstanding Professionalism from the Michigan Aviation Trades and Education Organization. His students and peers also recognized his contributions and sought his advice throughout his teaching career.

Always the organizer, Herman researched living conditions in many places before making retirement plans. He and his wife Phoebe plan to move to a hilltop in North Carolina where Herman will pursue his hobbies of amateur radio, restoring and flying vintage airplanes, and radio-controlled model airplanes.

OWEN B. MIDDLETON

Professor of Education and Professional Development

Owen is a Michigander, born and bred—and without any doubt both the Great Lake State and Western Michigan University have profited from that fact. High school graduation and a tour of Europe, courtesy of the U.S. Army, preceded Owen's return to Michigan where he obtained his bachelor's degree from Michigan State University.

Owen received his "baptism by fire" as a teacher and coach in the Battle Creek Public Schools before attending the University of Michigan to obtain his master's degree in guidance and counseling. Later, while serving in various roles as a teacher, guidance counselor, and dean of boys in the Grosse Pointe Public School System, he returned to Michigan State University to obtain his doctorate.

In 1964 Owen joined the faculty at Western Michigan University. His first of many assignments at Western was to "open up" the Southeastern corner of the State of Michigan to and for our student teachers.

He then turned his attention to the fledgling master's degree program at Western entitled "Teaching in the Community College," which through his tireless efforts became one of the most robust graduate programs for the preparation of community college personnel in the nation.

When Western decided to reassign the responsibilities for the academic advising of students from the University Counseling Center to the various colleges within the University, Owen Middleton orchestrated the establishment of the Office of Orientation and Advisement within the College of Education.

When the College of Education won the contract with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to develop a program for the preparation of personnel for the expanding system of higher education in that nation, Owen Middleton volunteered to accept the responsibility for the implementation of that program. As a member of the Board of Trustees of Kalamazoo Valley Community College he also worked relentlessly to help that institution achieve its current position as a quality community-oriented agency.

Owen is one of those people who leaves everything he touches a little better than he found it. So it will be with Western Michigan University. We will miss him deeply, and we wish him the best—because he deserves nothing less—in whatever he turns his hands, his heart, and his talents to in his retirement.

DAN MOORE

Professor of Education and Professional Development

Dan Moore's career in higher education began in earnest with his graduation from Memphis Technical High School, Memphis, Tennessee, in 1946. Dan returned from U.S. Army duty in the South Pacific laden with credits earned through the United States Armed Services Institute, affectionately known to thousands of World War II veterans as USAFI. This first wave of GI Bill students, many of whom, like Dan, were drafted before finishing high school, took advantage of opportunities like USAFI and the GI Bill. Many applied their credits toward high school graduation, and then sought college admission. Many worked at multiplicities of odd jobs, often two of three at a time to support young families while living in GI housing that would elicit grins from older and snorts from younger collegians. Dan was admitted to Memphis State University in the Fall of 1946, but soon moved to Nashville where he earned his Bachelor's and Master's degrees from George Peabody College for Teachers. Dan found scholarship funds more plentiful "up north" so moved his family to Ann Arbor where he earned his Ph.D. in Educational Psychology at the University of Michigan.

One of Dan's "odd" jobs was in a camera store on the drag in Ann Arbor. This led to his fascination with uses of media in the classroom, which in turn led to the design of the national award winning Educational Resources Center (ERC) in Sangren Hall at Western. Dan is a perfectionist with a camera, all the way to his photo lab in the basement at home. His lectures are alive with professional quality, yet "home made" media.

Breathtakingly soon after multiple bypass heart surgery, Dan took an unusual hike through Europe with his daughter, Dana, then built an imposing A-frame cottage on his lake-side property in Allegan County. Those who missed him around Sangren during the summer assumed he must be "recuperating" somewhere. He has since built another cottage in Florida where he plans to retire.

Dan is well known as a provocative teacher. This led to an invitation to interact with Honors College students at Western which has persisted for a decade. Dan will insist forcefully that he has learned a great deal more from his students than he has taught them. Who can believe this, or doubt it?

LEO NIEMI

Professor of Business Information Systems

Dr. Leo Niemi received his bachelor's and master's degrees from WMU and his doctorate from Ohio State University.

He joined the WMU faculty in 1955 after coordinating co-op occupational training and teaching business at Comstock High School. He taught the various subjects found in the College of Business—accounting, business communication, management principles and problems, office management, office organization, and statistics. Leo's greatest strength has been the teaching of the computer courses and the development of the computer information systems curriculum.

Leo has also served as an administrator. He's been the Graduate Admissions Director for the College of Business, Assistant to the Dean of the College of Business, and Chair of the Department of Business Information Systems. As an administrator, Dr. Niemi proved an innovator in changing the department name from Business Education and Administrative Services to Business Information Systems, which reflects the increasing impact of computer technology on business practices.

He has been a member of the board of directors and international director for the Data Processing Management Association. In addition, Leo has reviewed textbooks on computer language for various publishing firms.

Each November you can find Leo heading north for hunting and partying with his family and friends. In the spring, the love for fishing takes him to Michigan's great lakes.

In retirement, Leo and his wife Elizabeth will spend their winters enjoying the Florida sun and sand. Traveling to China and Australia is also in their retirement plans.

We wish the Niemi's the very best in their retirement.

MERLE SCHLOSSER

Associate Professor of Health, Physical Education and Recreation

Merle Schlosser came to Western in 1957 as head football coach and served in that capacity until 1963. He led his team in 1961 to Western's only (to date) bowl appearance—the Aviation Bowl at Dayton, Ohio. From 1963 to 1985 he was golf coach. During his tenure in that position, trips to the West Coast and Florida became a regular part of the program. In 1971 he began the Bronco Invitational Golf Tournament and in 1975 the WMU-Moors Invitational.

Born in Arrowsmith, Illinois, Merle has bachelor's and master's degrees in health, physical education, and recreation from the University of Illinois. Before coming to Western he served as assistant football coach at the University of Missouri and at Bowling Green State University. He was also a high school football coach at Monroe, Michigan, and Geneseo, Illinois.

In retirement, Merle and Billie look forward to traveling and to enjoying their children and grandchildren. Merle also expects to play a lot of golf, canoe, swim, fish, and windsurf. But work is also in his future plans—coaching, teaching, writing a book or two, publishing a computer program. Being Merle, he will be available for volunteer work in the community and will extend his interest in politics. We also hear that music is in his retirement plans—joining the church choir and learning to play the piano!

We wish Merle and Billie the happy, productive retirement they deserve.

DONNA N. SCHUMANN

Associate Professor of Biology and Biomedical Sciences

"Botanist, Teacher, and Friend" are the words engraved on a Silver Tray presented to Donna Schumann by the Biology and Biomedical Sciences Department at a retirement dinner for her recently. These words simply, but very well, state the influence and effect that Donna has had on the numerous students in numerous courses she has taught in the 26 years she has been a member of Western's faculty. Donna has been a popular teacher, always concerned first about her students.

Donna, after a stint as an early nontraditional student in some biology courses at Western, began teaching Biology at Western in 1959. The courses she has taught range from introductory biology for elementary minors to applied botany. She is the author of numerous book reviews in journals for elementary school teachers, several articles on horticulture and edible wild plants, and a book, *Living with Plants*, which was used not only by her in her classes but has been adopted as *the* textbook by The Federated Garden Clubs of America.

Donna received her M.A. degree in 1949 at The University of Michigan, specializing in Paleobotany but, at some point, her interests shifted from fossil plants preserved in rocks to those grown in gardens. Not only is she an avid gardener, but she has been very active in the state and local chapter of The Michigan Botanical Club.

While Donna will be much missed in the Biology and Biomedical Sciences Department, we know that she will stay active in horticultural and Garden Council functions. We hope that very soon now she and her husband Ed will be able to take that too-long put-off trip to Florida on their sailboat.

A. L. SEBALY

Professor of Education and Professional Development

Dr. A. L. (Mike) Sebaly has been a vital part of Western Michigan University for forty years. Mike arrived on Western's campus as a scholar athlete in the finest sense of that term. With time out to pursue graduate studies at the University of Michigan and to serve as a teacher and school administrator in the Battle Creek area, he has remained contributing his intellect as well as his energy in many capacities. He has served as the Associate Director of the Campus School, Chair and Director of the Directed Teaching Office; Chairperson of the Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation, and Associate Dean in charge of special programs in the College of Education. In each of these roles his performance has been outstanding. From 1958 through 1978, when he directed the student teacher program, more than 29,000 young men and women were placed and trained worldwide. Those young men and women are professionals today with wide-ranging responsibilities and leadership positions.

Mike Sebaly's service to Western has transcended all departments. His coordination of Western's North Central and NCATE reviews is but one example of Mike's efforts on behalf of the University.

In the areas of teacher training and certification, Mike has long been an extremely influential force in the State of Michigan. He drafted the constitution for the Michigan Association of Teacher Education. Mike's liaison with public school administrators and teachers has served this institution extremely well.

At the community level, Mike has served as a member of the Kalamazoo City Planning Commission, the Advisory Committee on Housing and Urban Development, the Kalamazoo Area Rotary, and as president of the Oakland Drive Neighborhood Association. His community leadership reflects well on Western Michigan University.

Mike and his spouse Marsha plan to spend more time at their northern cottage. He has also begun two writing projects which will keep him active and in his office and university libraries. For Mike Sebaly retirement means a new set of challenges.

VIRGINIA SORENSON

Associate Professor of Education and Professional Development

The selection of Virginia Sorenson as Woman of the Year for 1985 by Western Michigan University Commission on the Status of Women is a fitting close and deserved recognition for Virginia's outstanding professional career at Western. Although her association with Western spans two decades, her involvement in education started earlier.

Virginia began her career as a teacher in the rural schools of Ot-tawa and Kent counties. Later, in the Wyoming, Michigan, Public Schools, she served as the principal of Pinery Park Elementary and then as the curriculum coordinator of the entire school system. After a brief stay at Michigan State University as workshop director for continuing education, Virginia came to Western in 1965, eventually serving as the Associate Director of Western's Grand Rapids Office. While at the Grand Rapids Office, she also directed the student teaching program, supervising student teachers in Kent County and the surrounding area.

Her knowledge and experience in working with student teachers were excellent preparation for her next position at Western. In 1979 Virginia became Director of the Office of Professional Field Experiences. Moreover, her administrative skills were significant in the smooth merger of this office with that of Orientation and Advisement in 1984. For the past year she has been the Director of this new Office of Admission, Advisement, and Field Placememt.

Active in many professional organizations, Virginia is a national leader in the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development and is the author of many articles in various educational journals.

Academia, however, is not her only interest. Virginia has given community service to such organizations as the Grand Rapids Zoning Commission, the Grand Rapids Child Clinic, and the Michigan United Conservation Clubs. She was the first woman to be selected as the Conservationist of the Year! Obviously, she also has a deep love and respect for nature.

Those who know Ginny have had their lives enriched. At her retirement, we hope that she, together with her husband Bill, finds this period of her life as exciting and rewarding as the earlier ones.

ROBERT B. WETNIGHT

Professor of Accountancy and Vice President for Finance

Robert B. Wetnight retired from Western after devoting more than a third of a century as a faculty member, academic department head, and chief financial officer.

When he joined Western's faculty in 1951, Wetnight was only the second full-time instructor in accountancy. He was named to head that academic program when it was departmentalized in 1957. Then, five years later, he succeeded C. B. MacDonald as University comptroller.

Appointed as the University's first vice president for finance in 1965, he was the only treasurer for WMU's Board of Trustees and the WMU Foundation and also became the treasurer of Western's Paper Technology Foundation.

Wetnight is credited with developing a complete new accounting system for the institution. Among the new areas he created as comptroller was personnel and payroll. Budget, purchasing, and many others followed as Western continued to grow.

The only staff member who has served in every Faculty Senate since that body was created in the 1950s, he was also selected as an Outstanding Professor in the College of Business in 1959.

Wetnight is past president of the Kalamazoo chapter of National Association of Accountants and has served on that organization's national board of directors. A member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants since 1951, he is also a charter member of the Kalamazoo chapter of the Budget Executives Institute. Further, he has been active in the American Accounting Association, serving as its state membership chairman. His service on University councils and committees has been extensive, including many terms on the Athletic Board.

Wetnight has served as president of the Kalamazoo Country Club, as vice president and director of the Kalamazoo County Chamber of Commerce and as a ruling elder and past trustee of Kalamazoo's First Presbyterian Church. He is a member of the National Association of College and University Business Officers, Delta Sigma Phi, Alpha Kappa Psi, and Beta Alpha Psi.

He and Helen plan to spend six months in Kalamazoo and six months in Florida each year.

CHARLES E. YUNGHANS

Assistant Professor of Electrical Engineering

Charles began his career with Western Michigan University in 1962 when he was signed as a technical advisor to assist in developing an electrical engineering program at the Ibadan Technical College, Ibadan, Nigeria. Four years later, in September, 1966, he was brought to Western's campus where he taught in the Engineering Technology Department. In 1970 Charles took a two-year leave of absence to accept a position as a specialist in electrical technology for a UNESCO project in Ceylon College of Technology, Columbo, Ceylon. Upon his return from Ceylon he taught courses in electrical engineering and later became the official academic advisor for Electrical Engineering and Computer Systems Engineering.

Before coming to Western, Charles was employed as an electrical engineer at both the Western Electric and Northern Indiana Public Service Company. He also spent five years teaching electrical engineering at Valparaiso University.

Charles received his Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Valparaiso University in 1951. He completed a Master of Science in Technology at Western Michigan University in 1969. His main area of expertise is in electrical circuits and power systems.

Charles is known for his dedication to engineering education and good teaching. Students describe him as friendly, patient, and genuinely interested in their welfare.

JOHN H. YZENBAARD
Associate Professor of History

Those who know John and hear of his retirement will immediately recognize that our University is losing a fine teacher. Indeed teaching is the "red thread" that connects all phases of John's life, a life that has been spent in Western Michigan. Born in Kalamazoo, he studied at our institution as an undergraduate and at the University of Michigan as a graduate student. Early in his career he taught high school at Walkerville and Galesburg. Then came a few years (the only ones) not spent in teaching as he worked as an administrator for a pension plan and for Social Security. But in 1947 teaching claimed him for good, first at Western, then at Hope College, and finally for 14 years at Kalamazoo Central High School. His success as a teacher there is attested to by the many people in Kalamazoo who remember him fondly as a teacher and by his eventual position as the Head of Central's Social Science Department. In 1962 he returned to Western Michigan University to serve until his retirement.

His years spent in high school teaching helped John to understand his students well and teach effectively. He brooked no nonsense, but was understanding; demanded much from his students, but did so after much thought on what to demand; and held students to a good study discipline, but was always a kind advisor. His teaching was, in the best sense, a good reminder of our links to the secondary schools.

He served the Department in many ways, not the least through his NDEA Institute on World History of which he was a co-director and which brought to the campus famous historians of the period. And it was to a high degree due to his efforts that the Department acquired a sizeable trust fund.

In his publications he paid tribute to two topics that meant much to him: Michigan and the Dutch. His books and articles deal with Michigan history and with the Dutch in America, and they show his fine scholarly standards and love for his heritage.

And if all of that sounds a bit too serious, John has a wonderful sense of humor and a friendly personality which spoil his attempts to be gruff. We are not fooled. All of us who have known John and had the pleasure of working with him for the last twenty-two years know that under the sometimes gruff exterior is the proverbial heart of gold.

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Western we sing to you, Brown and Gold
Western we bring to you, faith untold.
You challenge and inspire;
Your hope is our desire;
We sing to you our Alma Mater,
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(James Bull '57 and Walter Gilbert '64)

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