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Dear Colleagues,

Tonight's celebration has special significance for my wife and me. Nine years ago, our first visit to Western Michigan University coincided with the faculty retirement recognition event. I was on campus at that time as a candidate for the presidency and former President Haenicke invited Linda and me to attend the event so we could enjoy the company of many individuals responsible for the excellent reputation of this institution. It was a memorable occasion filled with warm greetings and humorous recollections offered by professors who know the University very well. For Linda and me, that evening spent with WMU faculty cinched the deal.

Thank you for your dedication to our University. Your teaching and scholarship have attracted and enlightened students from around the globe. Professional and community organizations have been enriched because of your leadership and willingness to serve your discipline. Throughout your career here, you have contributed greatly to the advancement of this institution.

To those of you who are about to enter the uncharted world of retirement, I say, "Show up on time and pay attention." To those who are seasoned retirees, I say, "Stay on top of your homework and share what you've learned with the uninitiated." To family and friends, I say, "Have patience. Good educators and idle time often don't mix well."

May you all enjoy many more years of learning, fulfillment and good health.

With sincere appreciation,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John".

John M. Dunn
President



WELCOME

Trumpet Fanfare Scott Thornburg
Emcee Frank Jamison

DINNER

PROGRAM

Greetings from the Faculty Senate Suzan F. Ayers
Recognition of the Honorees:
 Remarks and Presentation of Certificates John M. Dunn
 Presentation of Legislative Tributes Jon Hoadley
 Presentation by Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Shirley Swanson
Welcome to the Ranks of Emeriti Judith Halseth
Honorees' Response Michael S. Pritchard
Entertainment:
 Singers Chase T. Gray and Michael Perlongo
 Pianist JJ Treadway
WMU Alma Mater Sung by All

MENU



Entrée Selections:

*Chicken Supreme in Light Thyme Cream Sauce
served with Parmesan Red Skin Potatoes*

Vegetarian:

Pesto Cheese Tortellini

*Vegan Low Fat and Gluten Free:
Roasted Vegetables served with Rice*

All Served With:

Garden Salad with Choice of Dressing

Vegetable Garden Medley

Rolls and Butter

Assorted Cheesecake

Beverages

HONORED GUESTS

This evening we honor 23 of our faculty colleagues who are joining the ranks of Western Michigan University's esteemed retired faculty and emeriti. Like so many before them, they have contributed greatly to the growth and development of the University during their tenure here.

We express our sincerest appreciation to these retiring faculty for their years of dedication to Western Michigan University and wish them a full and happy retirement. By honoring the accomplishments of our retired faculty, we also honor the accomplishments of WMU.

Galen J. Alessi

Kuriakose K. Athappilly

David A. Barnes

John B. Dilworth

Alexander Enyedi

Lauren Freedman

Mary Patricia Fuehr

Mark C. Kerstetter

Christopher M. Korth

Ronald Larson

Robert J. Leneway

Inayat U. Mangla

Michael L. Miller

James Donald Nelson

Nickola W. Nelson

Kathleen Onderlinde

Joseph W. Petro Jr.

Michael S. Pritchard

Roman J. Rabiej

Laurie Hays Rivera

Quentin Smith

Dennis J. VandenBrink

Jung-Chao Wang

Galen J. Alessi

Professor Emeritus of Psychology



Galen J. Alessi was born in Baltimore, Maryland. He earned a Bachelor of Science from the University of Maryland, a Master of Arts from Western Michigan University and a Doctor of Philosophy in psychology from the University of Maryland. He completed a postdoctoral fellowship in behavioral pediatrics at the Johns Hopkins Medical School's Department of Pediatrics. He has also completed a one-year intensive training program in strategic and structural family therapy, with Jay Haley and Cloé Madanes, at the Family Therapy Institute in Washington, D.C. In addition, Galen served in the military in the Army Signal Corps with the Strategic Communications Command in Vietnam. He is a fully licensed psychologist as well as a certified school psychologist in Michigan and Maryland and is a nationally certified school psychologist. Also, he was a licensed social worker and served as a special education hearing officer in Michigan.

In 1974, Galen joined the faculty at WMU in the Department of Psychology as director of the school psychology program. He has also served in the clinical psychology program. His main research interests are in marital and family therapy, strategic behavioral therapy and behavioral pediatrics, and he has devoted his career to helping children with learning and behavioral problems. Galen's contributions to the department have included serving as the major advisor for some 25 Ph.D. graduates, teaching a vast number of undergraduate students, providing leadership to programs, and providing a wealth of knowledge and experience as well as a sense of history to other faculty members in the department.

Galen is a recipient of numerous awards, including a Presidential Recognition Award from the Michigan Association of School Psychologists, an Excellence in Teaching Award from the Association for Direct Instruction, a Research Fellows Award from the WMU Office of the Vice President for Research, and on two occasions, a Psychologist of the Year Award from the Western Michigan Psychological Association. He serves as a fellow and diplomate for the American Board of Medical Psychotherapists. Galen has maintained an active research agenda throughout his career, with his most recent publication being a chapter in *Behavioral Pediatrics* on family therapy, delivered within an integrated primary care pediatric practice, a cutting edge practice in the field. In addition to contributions to his department, Galen played an important role in the American Association of University Professors from 1994 to 2008, serving as grievance officer, contract administrator and negotiation team member.

Future plans include travel, starting with Paris and Avignon, France, in the fall, and trips to many places and visits with old friends, including several ex-students, in the U.S. on a leisurely travel schedule. Galen also plans to spend more time at his home on Anna Maria Island, Florida. In addition, he hopes to write a bit and read whatever he wants to read, as long as he wants to read, whenever he wants to read.

Kuriakose K. Athappilly

Professor Emeritus of Business Information Systems



Kuriakose K. Athappilly was born in Kerala, India. He earned four academic degrees in India: a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Science in mathematics and statistics from the University of Kerala, a Bachelor of Philosophy in philosophy from Dharmaram College, and a Bachelor of Education from the University of Bhopal. In addition, he earned a Master of Business Administration from the University of Guam and a Doctor of Education from Western Michigan University.

While in India, Kuriakose taught four years in a private prep school, one year in a public school system and worked for one year at the Guam Bureau of Planning.

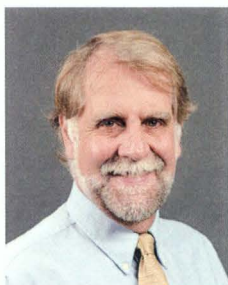
In 1981, Kuriakose joined the business college at Western Michigan University as a non-tenured temporary faculty member. Working his way up the ranks, he became an associate professor and received tenure, and by 1987 attained the rank of professor. From 2010 to 2011, Kuriakose was awarded seven Faculty Research and Creative Activities Awards. He was also the recipient of a Research Development Award. His health-care model is under patent licensing. His teaching and research interests are in decision systems and applications of artificial intelligence.

Kuriakose is the author of five textbooks in programming, including *Programming and Problem Solving with VAX-11*, 1985, Wardsworth Publishing Company, the first computer science textbook published at WMU, which sold 10,000 copies the very first year. His publications also include 27 refereed journal articles in information systems and quantitative methods.

In retirement, he will continue to pursue his musical interests, as he plays several instruments, including the violin, bulbul, harmonium and flute. Also, he will continue to draw and paint. Although he no longer participates in sports, he used to be active in tennis, basketball, soccer and volleyball, and most likely will follow those sports as a spectator.

David A. Barnes

Professor Emeritus of Geosciences



David A. Barnes was born in San Francisco, California, to an itinerant military family. He earned a Bachelor of Science in geology from San Francisco State University and a Doctor of Philosophy in geology from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Dave worked for the Standard Oil Company (of Ohio) in San Francisco and Dallas in an in-house, special projects group with emphasis on North Slope, Alaska, petroleum geology studies.

In 1986, upon joining the faculty in the Department of Geosciences at Western Michigan University, Dave specialized in applied sedimentary geology. He undertook subsurface Michigan basin geological studies with emphasis on clastic reservoir characterization, primarily using materials curated at the Michigan Basin Core Research Laboratory. This work was done coincident with an upsurge in subsurface/petroleum exploration and production activity in Michigan focused on the "PDC" play (St. Peter Sandstone) in the early and mid-1980s. In 1989-90, he was privileged to participate in an Ocean Drilling Program research cruise and subsequent ODP-funded research activities on the geology of the Japan Sea.

In the 1990s, Dave focused on Great Lakes coastal geology and study of erosion on the Lake Michigan shore and the evaluation of shore protection technologies through contracts with the Michigan Legislature. This fieldwork-intensive research resulted in publications but was especially important in development of his expertise with spatial data analysis technologies, geographic information systems and other digital data analysis tools, and the application of these tools to subsurface geological studies in the Michigan geological basin.

Starting in the 2000s, WMU became involved with the Regional Carbon Sequestration Partnership Program funded by the U.S. Department of Energy's National Energy Technology Laboratory, which is known as DOE/NETL. This national initiative is evaluating the feasibility of Geological Carbon Sequestration, a prospective greenhouse gas emissions mitigation technology in the Michigan basin. Dave has conducted numerous high-resolution geological characterization studies on the subsurface sedimentary geology of the Michigan basin using the now extensive subsurface data resources available at the Michigan Geological Repository for Research and Education (a resource center of the Michigan Geological Survey in the WMU Department of Geosciences) and a long-term funding relationship with Battelle Memorial Institute, DOE/NETL, Consumers Energy and several other entities.

Dave has published through the years and been an active participant in professional organizations, in particular the American Association of Petroleum Geologists. He was an advisory board member in a Midwestern Governor's Association initiative to develop a Midwest cap and trade program. His most significant scientific contribution may be as co-editor, with WMU colleagues G. Michael Grammer and William B. Harrison III, of a Geological Society of America special publication titled "Paleozoic Stratigraphy and Resources of the Michigan Basin." The publication is scheduled for release in 2016 and will include numerous papers and provide a modern compilation of Michigan basin subsurface-bedrock geology. He has especially enjoyed working with graduate and undergraduate students in a research/mentorship context and has many students with whom he maintains fond personal contact.

John B. Dilworth

Professor Emeritus of Philosophy



John B. Dilworth grew up in England. He earned a Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Bristol and wrote his dissertation on the philosophy of language.

In 1968, John joined the faculty at Western Michigan University, where he spent his entire 48-year career. He taught a wide variety of courses, mainly in the Department of Philosophy, although he held a joint appointment in the Department of Computer Science in the early 1980s to help out with the urgent need for more computer science faculty. In 1980, he was awarded

a one-year National Endowment for the Humanities fellowship to study action theory at Indiana University.

John's research interests are mainly in the areas of the philosophy of mind, perception and language, along with the philosophy of art (aesthetics). He has published over 50 articles in these areas in top philosophy journals, as well as a research monograph that advances an original theory of the nature of art and the arts.

In retirement, John and Rosemary, his wife of 50 years, hope to spend more time with their children and grandchildren. John also hopes to focus more on his lifelong artistic interests, as a complement to his philosophical activities.

Alexander Enyedi

Professor Emeritus of Biological Sciences



Alexander Enyedi earned a Bachelor of Science in environmental biology (Agr.) and a Master of Science in environmental plant physiology from the University of Guelph (Canada) and a Doctor of Philosophy in plant pathology/biochemistry from Pennsylvania State University. He was awarded a two-year postdoctoral fellowship at the Center for Agricultural Biotechnology at Rutgers University.

In 1993, Alex joined the Western Michigan University faculty as an assistant professor in the Department of Biological Sciences. He received tenure in 1999 and served as the department chair from 2001 to 2005.

Alex also served as the associate dean and senior associate dean (budget and personnel) from 2005 to 2010 in the College of Arts and Sciences. Following a national search, he was named dean of the college, a position he held from 2010 to 2015. As dean, Alex had direct oversight of 320 full-time faculty (tenured and tenure-track), 20 term faculty (non-tenure track), 510 part-time instructors, and nearly 6,800 students (5,600 undergraduate majors and 1,200 graduate students) spanning 26 departments, schools and interdisciplinary programs.

Alex is an environmental biologist with an interest in the impact of abiotic and biotic stress factors on plant physiology. He has published extensively on the deleterious effects that air pollution and viral pathogens have on plant productivity. While at WMU, he taught molecular plant biology, plant physiology, human physiology and introductory biology for majors. During the 1999-2000 academic year, he was recognized by WMU for his outstanding teaching accomplishments and awarded the all-university Distinguished Teaching Excellence Award.

Currently, Alex serves as the provost and vice president for academic affairs at Humboldt State University. HSU is one of 23 universities in the California State University System, which serves over 475,000 enrolled students each year and is the largest university system in the United States.

In his spare time, Alex enjoys flying single-engine aircraft. A licensed pilot since the age of 17, he received his floatplane rating endorsement in August 2015 from the WMU College of Aviation.

Lauren Freedman

Professor Emerita of Special Education and Literacy Studies



Lauren Freedman was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, and graduated from Wyoming High School in a suburb of Cincinnati. She received a Bachelor of Arts in English literature from Arizona State University. She earned teacher certification in 1974 from the University of Arizona, along with a Master of Education in reading K-12 in 1979 and a Doctor of Philosophy in language, reading and culture in 1996.

From 1974 to 1994, Lauren taught 7th and 8th grade language arts and social studies in Tucson Unified School District. After finishing her Ph.D., she interviewed

at Western Michigan University in spring 1996 and began her work at the University in fall 1996. In the 20 years she has worked at WMU, Lauren has coordinated cluster sites in the Michigan cities of Battle Creek, Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo. She also has taught both undergraduate and graduate literacy courses, been coordinator of the literacy studies unit, and served for one year as interim chair of the Department of Special Education and Literacy Studies. In addition, she has done literacy consulting for Michigan school districts in Battle Creek, Benton Harbor, Kalamazoo and Oak Park.

In recognition of her scholarly writing, Lauren has received several awards, including the Outstanding Article Award from the *Journal of Reading Education*; an Affiliate Journal Honorable Mention from the National Council of Teachers of English for *The Arizona English Bulletin*; and an Arizona Education Association School Bell award for Outstanding Community Newsletter and Outstanding External Publication. She is proudest of the four books she has written with University of Cincinnati colleague Holly Johnson. The books are *Strengthening Secondary Readers: Teaching Confidence, Independence, Metacognition and Stamina* (2008, also with WMU colleague Karen Thomas); *Developing Critical Awareness at the Middle Level: Using Texts as Tools for Critique and Pleasure* (2005); *Content Area Literature Circles: Using Discussion for Learning Across the Curriculum* (2005); and *Inquiry, Literacy and Learning in the Middle Grades* (2004).

Lauren will continue her work with the Michigan United organization on social justice issues such as eradicating the school-to-prison pipeline. Her plans include working for several candidates in the upcoming November election and completing a volunteer trip to Cuba in June as well as a cruise through the Panama Canal from Los Angeles in October. Lauren also plans to visit both of her daughters—one who is in Seattle and one who is currently working for the U.S. Department of State in Lagos, Nigeria.

Mary Patricia Fuehr

Master Faculty Specialist Emerita of Nursing

Mary Patricia Fuehr grew up in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She came to Kalamazoo in 1969, following her boyfriend to Western Michigan University, where she majored in home economics. Following a hiatus from school, during which time she got married, had a son and moved to Ohio for her husband's graduate education, she returned to Kalamazoo in 1973. Pat returned to school, completing the registered nurse program and an associate degree in nursing at Kalamazoo Valley Community College and then in 1979, she earned a Bachelor of Science in health studies at WMU. Leaving Kalamazoo once again, Pat settled in the Lansing area for 20 years, worked as an obstetrical nurse, raised two sons and obtained a Master of Science in nursing and a nurse practitioner designation from Michigan State University. Kalamazoo kept calling her, so she and her husband moved back in 2000. As a nurse practitioner, her career spanned family practice, urgent care and elder care. Her enjoyment of precepting new graduate nurses and student nurse practitioners led to accepting a faculty specialist position at the WMU Bronson School of Nursing in 2003.

During Pat's tenure at the school, she developed a stand-alone gerontology course for undergraduate nursing students. She taught this course in the classroom and clinical settings until retirement. Each year, she refined the course and made new connections with professionals in elder care. Other teaching assignments at the nursing school included pharmacology, nursing leadership, health assessment and obstetrics. A founding fellow in the Center for Gerontology, she developed a course on health and aging that is taught to undergraduate gerontology students in the College of Health and Human Services. Pat traveled to Ireland in 2008 with students and collaborated with nursing faculty in Galway and Dublin to research nursing students' attitudes toward caring for older adults. In 2013 and 2014, she taught a course in healthy aging in the Summer School Utrecht program. In addition to teaching, she continued to work part time as a nurse practitioner.

Collaborating with other CHHS faculty, Pat coordinated an annual Health Literacy Day for that college's students and a spring Interprofessional Grand Rounds. She served as faculty advisor to the Student Nurses Association and was instrumental in the chartering of the Upsilon Epsilon chapter of the Sigma Theta Tau Nursing Honor Society. Her community service continues as she serves on the board of a local retirement community.

Pat doubts that retirement will keep her away from WMU; she plans to continue adjunct work in CHHS. As a member of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, she is taking classes this spring. She will continue to work as a nurse practitioner, has travel plans for the winter, will spend a lot of time with her two granddaughters, and try to figure out what it means to relax. One thing she won't miss is getting up at 4:30 a.m. for nursing clinicals.

Mark C. Kerstetter

Associate Professor Emeritus of Computer Science



Mark C. Kerstetter was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He earned a Bachelor of Arts in mathematics from LaSalle College in Philadelphia, a Master of Science in numerical science from the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, and a Doctor of Philosophy in computer science from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois.

In 1977, Mark joined the faculty in the Department of Mathematics at Western Michigan University to help create the Department of Computer Science.

He has served the department in several capacities, including as undergraduate program director, undergraduate advisor, chair of the undergraduate committee and faculty advisor for the WMU Chapter of Upsilon Pi Epsilon, the honor society for the computing sciences. Outside of the University, he was a mathematician for the U.S. Department of Defense at the National Security Agency in Fort George G. Meade, Maryland.

Mark's academic interests are in the areas of software engineering, computer science education, operating systems, systems software, and the history and social implications of computers.

Retirement plans include lots of traveling for Mark and his wife, Kathy. In May, they will be enjoying several weeks on a riverboat cruise down the Columbia River and return trip to Chicago from Portland, Oregon, on the Empire Builder. In November, they will visit the Houston International Quilt Show. Kathy is a fiber arts designer and has already shown her work there. In addition, they anticipate a trip to Las Vegas to share Christmas with family. They enjoy following Bronco athletics and recently attended the Broncos' win in the 2015 Bahamas Bowl. Future plans are to continue following the Broncos, enjoy the cultural opportunities at WMU and in Kalamazoo, and participate in emeriti events.

Christopher M. Korth

Professor Emeritus of Finance and Commercial Law



Christopher M. Korth earned an A.B. in philosophy (with history) at Maryknoll College in Glen Ellyn, Illinois; a Master of Business Administration in business administration (with economics) at the University of Detroit, in Michigan; and a Doctor of Philosophy in international business (with finance and economics) at Indiana University.

Prior to joining the faculty at Western Michigan University's Haworth College of Business as the department chair and professor of finance and international business in 1994, Christopher taught at Pennsylvania State University, the University of Michigan, and the University of South Carolina. He was also the chief international economist for the First National Bank of Chicago. He has served as visiting professor at Sunway University, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; the Center for American Education, Singapore; Passau University, Passau, Germany; Victoria University, New Zealand; as well as at several other international institutions.

Christopher's principal teaching areas are international financial management, global business environment, and business finance. His principal areas of research are tax reform and international investments. His book, *Sensible Tax Reform – Simple, Just and Effective*, was published by Morgan-James Publishing Company of New York in 2014.

He and his wife, Shirley, enjoy world traveling and visiting their children and grandchildren.

Ronald Larson

Associate Professor Emeritus of Marketing



Ronald Larson grew up in Minnesota. He earned a Master of Science from the University of Minnesota, a Master of Arts from Stanford University and a Doctor of Philosophy from Purdue University. His studies were focused primarily on applied economics and food marketing.

Before coming to Western Michigan University, Ron worked for nearly five years as a marketing researcher at the Kellogg Co. and Oscar Mayer Foods. He also served on the faculty at North Carolina State University in the agribusiness marketing and management area and was the associate director of the Retail Food Industry Center at the University of Minnesota.

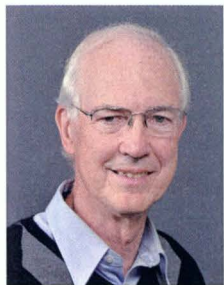
In 1998, Ron was hired to work with the WMU food marketing program. After being moved to the general marketing area, he taught marketing principles, marketing research and sales promotion courses.

Ron's publications have included studies on pricing, sales promotion planning and evaluation, food marketing strategies and tactics, educational innovations, and curriculum enhancements.

In retirement, Ron is looking forward to whatever challenges and opportunities present themselves in the future.

Robert J. Leneway

Associate Professor Emeritus of Educational Leadership,
Research and Technology



Robert J. Leneway was born and raised in Port Huron, Michigan. He graduated from St. Clair County Community College and earned a Bachelor of Arts in education and a Master of Arts in rehabilitation counseling from Michigan State University. He taught social studies in middle school and became a counselor at the State Technical Institute and Rehabilitation Center in Plainwell, Michigan. While at STIRC, Robert earned a second Master of Arts in audio-visual technology at Western Michigan University. Robert has led that program, now named the Master of Arts in educational technology, for the past 12 years. After earning his second master's degree, he became a program developer at the Michigan Career and Technical Institute and developed one of the first Projects with Industry programs in the United States. That PWI program became the model for federal PWI funding. In addition, Robert became the national president of the International Association of Projects with Industry, serving for four years in Washington, D.C., and working with 128 member PWI-funded programs.

Robert also earned a Doctor of Public Administration from WMU and then worked as a consultant with the Michigan Department of Education to develop a state of Michigan MRS Business Development Unit and the Michigan Accommodation Center in Lansing. While completing his doctoral degree, he received a WMU Creative Scholar award. After 27 years with MCTI and the Michigan Department of Education, Robert returned to Western in 1997 and helped obtain and manage two Preparing Tomorrow Teachers to use Technology—PT3—grants totaling \$2.4 million and a \$458,000 National Science Foundation grant. He has received lifetime achievement awards from the Michigan Rehabilitation Association and the National Association of Rehabilitation Programs in Computer Technologies. Other honors include being named Michigan Technology Using Educator of the Year by the Michigan Association of Computer Users in Technology in 2006 and receiving the College of Education and Human Development Teaching Award from WMU in 2012. He has also been Michigan's only designated postsecondary Adobe Educational Leader since 2007.

In retirement, Robert will continue to serve on the boards of several state and national nonprofit organizations dedicated to promoting career opportunities for individuals with disabilities. Additionally, he will continue working with K-12 schools and K-12 principals on implementation of educational technology in both Michigan and Arizona, where he plans to live part time when not assisting his son's Internet startup, HaikuDeck, in Seattle.

Inayat U. Mangla

Professor Emeritus of Finance



Inayat U. Mangla earned his Bachelor of Arts in economics and statistics and his Master of Arts in economics at Punjab University in Lahore, Pakistan. He earned a second Master of Arts in economics at McMaster University in Canada, and his Doctor of Philosophy in financial economics at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan. He was an assistant professor at the University of New Brunswick and York University in Canada.

Inayat joined the faculty in Western Michigan University's Haworth College of Business in 1985. His principal teaching areas are financial markets, quantitative finance, capital markets and financial management at both the undergraduate and graduate level.

Since 1966, Inayat has been engaged in academic activities at several universities around the globe. He has taught, developed new curricula, and conducted research in North America, the United Kingdom, Singapore, Japan, China, Malaysia, Indonesia, India, Pakistan and the United Arab Emirates, to name a few. He has published more than 50 scholarly papers in international journals, more than 85 articles in conference proceedings and five monographs, as well as has conducted several research studies for the World Bank; Canadian International Development Agency; Planning Commission (Government of Pakistan); Pakistan Institute of Development Economics; and Q.A. University, Islamabad.

Inayat has been awarded the Fulbright Teaching and Research Award three times and has reviewed more than 30 textbooks. Under the Fulbright Specialist Program, he was appointed to the national Fulbright Specialist Roster for five years as a specialist for Asian countries in the areas of finance and economics. The program involves serving the needs of each country's requested demand for a senior professor to deliver specialized seminars and advisory services in the home country. The roster award is based on Inayat's teaching, research and service activities of the past 20 years.

Last, but not least, over these years, Inayat has served as a Ph.D. thesis committee member or foreign examiner for more than a dozen Ph.D. theses at institutions such as WMU; PIDE; Q.A. University, Islamabad; University of Lahore; and American University at Sharjah, U.A.E. He also serves as an associate editor of the *Journal of Financial Issues* and a member of the editorial board of the *Lahore Journal of Economics* and the *Pakistan Development Review* (PIDE).

Inayat will likely remain active in his research and services, but looks forward to spending time with his family and his grandchildren. He intends to write a book: *My Life-My Passion*, in 2017.

Michael L. Miller

Associate Professor Emeritus of Music

Michael L. Miller received a Doctor of Musical Arts in oboe performance and literature from the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York. Prior degrees included a Master of Arts in higher education administration and Bachelor of Music Education from the University of Denver.

Before coming to Kalamazoo, he taught private lessons on a weekly basis to secondary and non-major oboe students at the Eastman School of Music, focusing on technique, reed making, repertoire, and helping oboe majors with physical challenges such as overuse syndrome. He also held prior teaching appointments at the University of Denver, Denver Young Artist's Orchestra, Colorado Youth Symphony Orchestra, Wild Acres Chamber Music Festival, and Denver Metropolitan Public Schools.

Michael was professor of oboe at Western Michigan University from 1999 until 2015. During his tenure at WMU, he taught all undergraduate and graduate oboists, performed in hundreds of concerts and outreach events with the Western Wind Quintet, and was also an instructor of music theory courses. Throughout his career, Michael was a strong advocate of chamber music, sharing his passion and insight through performance, coaching, and clinics. He was also active with the WMU Double Reed Festivals. Among numerous administrative service contributions at WMU, he served for several years as graduate studies coordinator, and for three years as chair of the Tenure Committee. Outside of the University, he was a regular performer on oboe and English horn with the Grand Rapids Symphony and Battle Creek Symphony.

James Donald Nelson

Associate Professor Emeritus of Computer Science



James Donald Nelson was born and raised in Paducah, Kentucky, where he attended and graduated from the public school system. He continued his education at the University of Kentucky, earning a Bachelor of Science in chemistry, a Master of Science in mathematics and a Doctor of Philosophy in mathematics with an emphasis in analytic function theory.

After receiving his Ph.D. in the fall of 1970, Don joined the Department of Mathematics at Western Michigan University and continued his entire career at the University. Many of his contributions have been on the

administrative side, as well as on the academic side through his teaching and his research in the area of algorithms. In the early to mid-1970s, WMU began the establishment of an undergraduate program in computer science, initially housed in the Department of Mathematics. From the beginning of the program, Don assisted in its development by teaching computer science courses in addition to his regular assignments, which included serving as assistant chair in the department. The Department of Computer Science was officially established in the late 1970s, and Don was transferred to the new unit and appointed its chair in 1984. Since then, he has served as chair for a total of 21 years, although not all in one continuous appointment.

In retirement, Don and Kay, his wife of 33 years, look forward to traveling and visiting friends and family, having more time for reading, and continuing to do volunteer work.

Nickola W. Nelson

Professor Emerita of Speech Pathology and Audiology



Nickola Wolf Nelson was born in Wichita, Kansas. In junior high school, she volunteered with children at the Institute of Logopedics (now called Heartspring), a residential facility for interventions for communication impairments that affected participation and learning. This led her to earn three degrees from Wichita State University: a Bachelor of Arts in logopedics and elementary education, and a Master of Arts as well as a Doctor of Philosophy in logopedics (now called communication sciences and disorders).

In her early career, Nicki worked in the public schools in Butler County, Kansas, as well as at the Institute of Logopedics as a speech-language pathologist. She began a program of research on the nature of pediatric language impairment and its relationship to reading disorders while an assistant professor at Wichita State University. As an undergraduate, Nicki had read a textbook by Charles Van Riper from Western Michigan University, and she was drawn to his ability to convey the multilevel complexities faced by people with communication disorders. When she and her husband, Larry, moved to southwest Michigan in 1976, she first took a position as speech-language consultant specialist at Berrien County Intermediate School District. Then she was hired as an associate professor in the Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology at WMU in 1981. This began 35 years of service to the University, which included becoming a full professor in 1991 and “part-time” associate dean for research in the College of Health and Human Services from 1997 to 2004. She also was “part-time” director of the college’s Ph.D. program in interdisciplinary health sciences from 2004 to 2013, and assumed the role of full-time director and professor in the program in 2013 to 2016.

Nicki’s research has focused on language and literacy connections, including collaborative approaches to curriculum-based language assessment and intervention, and the writing lab approach to language instruction and intervention in partnership with other WMU faculty and the Kalamazoo Public Schools, which was supported by numerous research, service and training grants from the federal government. She has published many books, chapters and journal articles, and led the research and development (with support from a \$2 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences) of a *Test of Integrated Language and Literacy Skills* (TILLS), which was published in 2016. Nicki is a fellow of the International Academy for Research in Learning Disabilities and the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, from which she received the honors of the association. She also received the highest honor of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Foundation, the Kleffner Clinical Career Award, named after the former director of the Institute of Logopedics. Particularly meaningful to her was a WMU presidential professorship, which was awarded from 2005 to 2008 to support her research. It was named for Charles Van Riper, bringing her career full circle.

Nicki is grateful for the 40 years of marriage she and her late husband, Larry, had and the travel they had done in recent years, as she presented workshops and papers in Australia, Hong Kong, Italy and Lithuania. In her retirement, she looks forward to more time to continue her work and to enjoy her three children, 12 grandchildren and three great grandchildren, boating, gardening and writing at her home on Corey Lake near Three Rivers, Michigan.

Kathleen Onderlinde

Faculty Specialist II Emerita of Biological Sciences

Kathleen Onderlinde was born in Chicago, Illinois. She received a Bachelor of Science in biology from Calvin College and earned a Master of Arts in education from Western Michigan University.

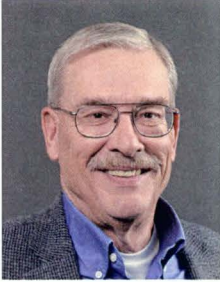
From 1971 to 1993, Kathy was an elementary school teacher and also served as an elementary school administrator from 1977 to 1980. She began teaching at the college level as a part-time instructor at Kalamazoo Valley Community College in 1994, and joined the Department of Biological Sciences at Western Michigan University as a faculty specialist in 1997. Her teaching interests are human anatomy, physiology and biology.

Kathy was honored with the Dr. Darrell R. Latva Biological Sciences Teaching Excellence Award in 2012.

Following retirement, Kathy looks forward to continuing teaching music lessons and playing piano and organ for her church.

Joseph W. Petro Jr.

Master Faculty Specialist Emeritus of Engineering Design,
Manufacturing and Management Systems



Joseph W. Petro Jr. was born and raised in Orchard Park, New York, just south of Buffalo. He graduated from high school and attended Erie County Technical Institute for a year before joining General Motors as a student in training. He attended General Motors Institute, now Kettering, and graduated with a Bachelor of Industrial Engineering. While working at GM, he obtained a Master of Business Administration from the State University of New York in Buffalo. He worked for GM until 1974 in several different locations in Buffalo and Detroit as a senior engineer. He accepted a position with Alexander

Grant & Company as manager of Manage Consulting, serving industries from hospitals to foundries. During his time there, Joe performed studies in facilities planning, site locations, installing MRP systems, operations reviews, costing and pricing, quality improvements and maximizing investment tax credits. In 1984, Joe started his own consulting firm and continued to provide assistance to companies throughout Michigan. During his career with GM and consulting, he taught courses for several universities and community colleges including the University of Detroit, Walsh College of Accountancy and Business Administration, Lawrence Institute of Technology, Grand Valley State University and Kalamazoo Valley Community College.

In 1984, Joe's career at Western Michigan University began with an appointment as an adjunct professor in the Department of Industrial Engineering. In 2001, he was appointed to the position of master faculty specialist and he served in this position throughout the remainder of his WMU career. During his tenure at Western, Joe has taught 29 different courses for technology and engineering undergraduate students, as well as graduate students in engineering management. He also advised hundreds of students in engineering management technology, manufacturing engineering technology and manufacturing engineering.

Joe has served on the advisory boards of both the engineering management and manufacturing engineering technology programs. He was the chairman of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee for many years. Joe served as part of a three-person team which developed transfer guides for potential technology students for every community college in Michigan. He was awarded the Outstanding Service Award for the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences in 2011 and he was inducted into the First Class of the Engineering Management National Honor Society, Epsilon Mu Eta. Joe remains a professional engineer for the state of Michigan.

In retirement, Joe and his wife of nearly fifty-five years, plan on traveling throughout the United States and spending time with their nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Michael S. Pritchard

Professor Emeritus of Philosophy



Michael S. Pritchard was born in Detroit, Michigan. He earned a Bachelor of Arts from Alma College, majoring in philosophy and minoring in psychology. He earned a Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, majoring in philosophy and minoring in law.

In 1965, Michael began his teaching career at the University of Wisconsin-Manitowoc. In 1967-68, he taught at Eastern Michigan University. He joined Western Michigan University's Department of Philosophy in July 1968. Since that time, he has also been a visiting

professor at Kalamazoo College (fall 1988) and Iberoamericana University in Mexico City (fall 1994), as well as a visiting scholar at Utah Valley University (spring 2009) and Hitotsubashi University in Tokyo (fall 2013). Some of his teaching interests include theoretical and practical ethics and 18th-century British philosophers.

At WMU, Michael served as chair of the Department of Philosophy from 1975 to 1987 and 1993 to 1996. He was founding director of the Center for the Study of Ethics in Society in 1985, and he has served as director or co-director to the present. He also served as senior associate dean of the Graduate College from 1999 to 2000 and as associate dean of the Graduate College from 2000 to 2002.

Among Michael's numerous accolades are: receiving the Distinguished Faculty Scholar Award, WMU (1995); being classified an Honorary Foundation Member of Phi Beta Kappa, WMU (1998); being named the Willard A. Brown Professor of Philosophy, WMU (1998); and receiving the Distinguished Faculty Award, Michigan Association of Governing Boards (2000). He has also been principle investigator of several National Science Foundation awards.

Michael has authored, co-authored, edited or co-edited more than 15 scholarly books and more than 100 articles in philosophical books or journals. His research interests include engineering ethics, moral philosophies of 18th-century British moralists and moral psychology.

Future plans include continuing to give talks, write and play tennis and to shoot his age in golf before he reaches 100 years of age.

Roman J. Rabiej

Professor Emeritus of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering



Roman J. Rabiej was born and raised in Poland. He received a Bachelor of Science at the Industrial and Pedagogical School of Furniture Construction in Lomza, Poland, and earned both a Master of Science in wood production engineering and a Doctor of Technical Science from the Warsaw Agricultural University. He served on the faculty of the Wood Technology College at Warsaw Agricultural University, teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in wood technology.

In the 1976-77 academic year, Roman was a visiting professor at High Wycombe College of Art, Design and Timber Technology in England. He spent the 1982-83 academic year as a visiting professor in the department of the Strength Design of Furniture at Purdue University. From 1983 to 1987, he worked as a senior researcher at Franklin International in Columbus, Ohio.

Roman joined Western Michigan University as a faculty member in the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences in 1987. His areas of specialty are furniture design methodology, engineering and technology.

An active researcher, Roman has completed over 40 research projects, including one funded by the Grand Rapids Area Furniture Association in Grand Rapids, Michigan; one funded by Case System Inc. in Midland, Michigan; and one funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Roman has published more than 30 articles and presented more than 40 papers at national and international conferences and seminars. He has also been active in numerous exhibitions and design competitions. In addition, he is a co-author of 12 patents.

In retirement, Roman and Ewa, his wife of 40 years, plan to spend time visiting their family, traveling, reading and enjoying life.

Laurie Hays Rivera

Master Faculty Specialist, Department of Accountancy

Laurie Hays Rivera was born in Winter Haven, Florida. She earned a Bachelor of Music Performance in French horn from the Manhattan School of Music in New York, a Master of Music in brass specialist from Michigan State University, and a Master of Science in accountancy from Western Michigan University.

Prior to employment in an academic setting, Laurie's professional career included work as a certified public accountant for Melton and Melton CPAs in Houston, a certified public accountant for Ernst & Whinney CPAs in Kalamazoo, and a tax accountant for the Upjohn Co.

In 1993, Laurie was appointed an instructor in the Department of Accountancy at WMU and later appointed a faculty specialist in the same department. The specific area of her teaching was Principles of Accounting I. She was a recipient of a University Instructional Development Travel Grant. In addition, Laurie received the Best Paper Award for "Design and Implementation of a Computerized Tool in an Accounting Curriculum to Enhance Intrinsic Motivation in Learning," which was presented at the 2008 Accounting Information Systems Educators Conference. She created and coded software in eleven modules from 2003 to 2009 for "PATH: Interactive Accounting Tutorial," which was licensed to McGraw-Hill Publishers from 2007 to 2009.

During retirement, Laurie looks forward to kayaking, guitar playing and enjoying small-town life.

Quentin Smith

Professor Emeritus of Philosophy



Quentin Smith earned a Bachelor of Arts in philosophy from Antioch College and Harvard University, as well as a Master of Arts and a Doctor of Philosophy in philosophy from Boston College. His academic career has included serving as an assistant professor of philosophy at the University of Kentucky, a visiting scholar at Purdue University and Case Western Reserve University, and the Lillian Pierson Lovelace Visiting Professor at Antioch College.

In 1993, Quentin joined the faculty in the Department of Philosophy at Western Michigan University, and in 2001, he was designated a University Distinguished Faculty Scholar at WMU. He was named an Honorary Member of Phi Beta Kappa, was a two-time recipient of a Rockefeller Award for the best philosophical work by an academically unaffiliated philosopher, received National Endowment for the Humanities summer stipends in 1986 and 1995, and received a 1996 American Council of Learned Societies award for work on the philosophy of time and quantum cosmology.

Quentin has been a prolific author, writing five books and co-authoring or co-editing six others, in addition to being the author of numerous articles. Also, he has presented papers at more than 50 professional meetings and conferences. His professional activities have included serving as a referee and reviewer for several professional journals, including the *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, *Journal of Philosophical Research* and *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, as well as editorial advisor for Oxford University Press, MIT Press, Routledge Publishers and Kluwer Academic Publishers. He was interviewed by PBS Television for four programs, including, "Today's Life Choices: Science and Religion" and "The Examined Life: Does God Exist?"

Outside of the academic setting, Quentin enjoys painting and writing poetry. In pursuit of these interests, from 2002 to 2009 he created 72 paintings and wrote 268 poems.

Dennis J. VandenBrink

Associate Professor Emeritus of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering



Dennis J. VandenBrink was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He attended the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Terre Haute, Indiana, and received a Bachelor of Science in civil engineering. He then attended the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech), where he earned a Master of Science in engineering mechanics and a Doctor of Philosophy in engineering mechanics. He also went back to college after the age of 50 and earned a Master of Business Administration with an emphasis in finance from Western Michigan University.

For five years as a graduate student at Virginia Tech, Dennis worked as an instructor and taught undergraduate courses in engineering mechanics. After graduating, he was hired as a temporary assistant professor at Virginia Tech and continued teaching while interviewing for full-time employment in an academic setting. He started teaching at WMU in the Department of Mechanical Engineering in 1984 and taught a wide variety of courses at the undergraduate and graduate level over his 32-year career.

Dennis published a number of papers in peer-reviewed journals as well as a number of papers at professional conferences. He was also active in consulting, performing stress analysis for a number of Southwest Michigan corporations, as well as teaching training courses in stress analysis and the finite element method. He has been a registered professional engineer in Michigan since 1987. He has also been inducted into a number of honorary societies, including Tau Beta Pi, Pi Tau Sigma, Phi Kappa Phi, Pi Mu Epsilon and the Order of the Engineer.

Outside of his life at WMU, Dennis has varied interests and looks forward to enjoying those in his retirement. He plays golf, kayaks, fishes, and travels around the United States with his wife, visiting and touring state capitals as well as national parks and monuments. He also enjoys staying warm and plans to spend the winter months in Florida.

Jung-Chao Wang

Associate Professor Emeritus of Statistics



Jung-Chao Wang earned a Bachelor of Science from Tamkang University and a Master of Science from National Tsing Hua, both in Taiwan, and a Doctor of Philosophy in statistics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

In 1989, Jung-Chao joined the faculty at Western Michigan University. His research has focused on the design of experiments, quality and productivity improvement, statistical computing, and graphics. He has taught a number of different courses covering these topics, as well as data analysis.



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