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## WMU to work with public schools in developing new charter initiatives

The University has taken the first step toward chartering schools.

On Friday, Dec. 11, the Board of Trustees accepted a resolution to exercise the University's right to become an authorizing body for public school academies. The

resolution delegates authority to President Elson S. Floyd to proceed with plans to eventually bring charter recommendations to the trustees. The Board of Trustees would then be asked to approve charters.

The charter recommendation also includes a position statement that affirms the University's continued support for public schools and vows to work with public schools as it begins granting charters.

"Charter schools need not erode support for public education," said Frank Rapley, dean of the College of Education and former superintendent for Kalamazoo Public Schools. "We can partner with public schools in creating charters that provide opportunities for all children for higher levels of learning and that offer innovations that may currently not be available."

The position statement was the work of a committee of College of Education faculty working with area superintendents. Superintendents included Kay Royster, Kalamazoo Public Schools; Michael Bitar, Battle Creek Public Schools; Pat Newby, Grand Rapids Public Schools; James

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## High-tech image of state is meeting topic

A special committee meeting of the Governor's Innovation Forum is expected to attract nationally known technical writers as well as state and national image experts to the campus Thursday, Jan. 21.

The Image and Culture Committee of the forum will meet at 10 a.m. in a public session at the Fetzer Center to discuss ways to overcome Michigan's image problems and begin building a more accurate picture of the state that reflects its high-tech talent and substance.

Agenda items for the meeting include:

- an insider's view of how North Carolina developed its Research Triangle and crafted its high-tech image;

- the results of a new State of Michigan image and attitude survey conducted among high-tech companies in key states; and

- a panel of communications, image and media experts from inside and outside the state, providing perspectives and suggestions on creating "a new buzz" about Michigan's high-technology personality.

The Governor's Innovation Forum, launched by Michigan Gov. John Engler last year, is a year-long series of meetings examining the relationships between Michigan's universities and industries, with the goal of fostering collaboration leading to the development, attraction and expansion of new businesses in the state and the creation of new jobs for Michigan citizens. The meetings have been held at the state's major universities. In April 1999, forum participants will issue recommendations for actions state government, universities and industry can take to achieve the goal.

## Campus readies for 10th MLK Day celebration

With a theme of "Courage to Live the Dream: Commitment, Community, Opportunity," the University has scheduled more than 35 free public events and activities to celebrate the birthday Monday, Jan. 18, of the late Martin Luther King Jr.

Events will begin with an all-University convocation at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18, in Miller Auditorium, where President Elson S. Floyd will provide welcoming remarks. The featured speaker will be choreographer David McKayle, a King/Chavez/Parks visiting artist in dance from the University of California at Irvine.

A portion of McKayle's "Rainbow 'Round My Shoulder" will be performed by students in the Department of Dance. The convocation also will include a duo piano presentation and singing by the Allen Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church Choir. The Rev. Antonio D. Benitez of Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Kalamazoo will provide closing remarks at the convocation.

President Floyd announced Sept. 10 that MLK Day for the first time would be a University holiday. Previously, classes

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## The University's newest 'All-star'

Jack Moss, who for 50 years has chronicled the exploits of Bronco sports figures for the *Kalamazoo Gazette*, was awarded an honorary doctor of public service degree at winter commencement ceremonies Dec. 12. Taking part in the hooding were President Elson S. Floyd, left, and Trustee Joan Krause. Moss, regarded as the dean of Michigan sports editors, recalled his late mother's disappointment in him when he left WMU in 1948 with a year still to go before earning a bachelor's degree. "This one's for you, Mom," he said at the close of his remarks. (Photo by Neil Rankin)

## For grounds crew, it's 'snow' joke when two feet of snow and blizzard-force winds hit campus roads

If you think removing snow from your front walk this week was a chore, consider the 39 miles of walkways campus grounds crews had to tackle in the aftermath of last weekend's blizzard.

After a storm that blanketed the area with more than two feet of snow and shut the University for two days, campus grounds crews have their annual snow and ice removal process down to a science.

It began Friday afternoon, Jan. 1, with the first hints of the big storm that was to come, and by Saturday, the University's 47-member grounds crew was on rotating 12-hour shifts that would continue through Tuesday, Jan. 5, so the University could open Wednesday, Jan. 6.

"Our crews have done a fabulous job under some of the most difficult conditions we've had in years," said Paul MacNellis,

landscape services, of the Blizzard of '99. Nobody could have asked for more dedication."

President Elson S. Floyd decided by noon Sunday, Jan. 3, that the University would be closed Monday, Jan. 4. By 10:30 a.m. Monday the decision was made to close again Tuesday, Jan. 5. It was not the first time WMU would be closed for two days in a row, but it is unusual.

"The safety of our students, faculty and staff is the paramount concern," Floyd said. "The issue was magnified because it was the beginning of a semester, when many of our students as well as a number of faculty and staff members would be traveling from across the state and around the region."

The quantity of snow was almost overwhelming, MacNellis said.

"It's only the first storm of the year and

already we've used up all of our snow storage capacity in the corners of parking lots," he explained. "Ordinarily, this would not occur before the middle of February."

Excess snow must be taken by front-end loader to lawns located near many of the lots so that any new snow can be pushed into the northwest or southwest corners of lots.

MacNellis said the snow was not the only problem. Under such heavy use, equipment breaks down with considerable regularity. The University's four mechanics worked as much as 24 hours at a time to make repairs and keep the equipment running.

"I don't think we could have done it without them," MacNellis said.



**BRING ON THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT**—University grounds crews tackle Walwood Hall, one of the last buildings to be cleared on their four-day marathon of snow removal activity. Working around the clock in 12-hour shifts, the crews cleared the remains of the Blizzard of '99 in time for the University to finally open for the winter semester on the morning of Jan. 6. But that day saw them back on the job battling a new accumulation of six inches of fresh snow.

## Did you know?

■ The University has some 100 parking areas totaling more than 120 acres that must be cleared following a snow storm.

■ More than 20 miles of roadway and 39 miles of sidewalks must be cleared after each snow fall.

■ All 47 members of the University's grounds crew are involved in snow removal. Of those, 12 are heavy equipment operators. To tackle the 35,000 square feet of steps which must be shoveled, 27 crew members work in groups of two or three, with each group shoveling 5,000 to 7,000 square feet of steps.

■ Students, faculty and staff with special mobility needs during the winter can call landscape services at 7-8557 to request schedule adjustments to accommodate needs.



## Trustees approve retirements of six at meeting

The Board of Trustees approved the retirements of two faculty members and four staff members at its meeting Dec. 11.

The faculty members retiring with emeriti status, along with their years of service and effective dates of retirement are: David O. Lyon, professor of psychology and director of faculty collective bargaining, 35 years, Dec. 31, 1998; and Kenneth L. Williams, professor of computer science, 30 years, May 1, 2003.

Staff members retiring are: John W. Beatty, director of media relations in inter-

collegiate athletics, 30 years, effective June 30, 1999; James R. Dean, director of dining services, 32 years, effective Jan. 18, 1999; John C. Hoppel, planner-estimator in plant ad-



Beatty



Dean



Hoppel



Lyon



Williams

ministrative services, 23 years, effective Dec. 31, 1998; and Terry R. Stoken, supervisor in maintenance services, 33 and 1/2 years, effective Dec. 31, 1998.

The board also approved the resignation of Todd J. Dicker, instructor in the School of Public Affairs and Administration, effective Aug. 8, 1998.

## Federal grant will help expand gerontology studies in health and human service programs

WMU is teaming up with a federal agency to meet the changing needs of a U.S. population that is steadily aging and becoming more diverse.

A \$150,000 grant awarded recently by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources Service Administration will fund the first year of a project designed to improve the preparation of University students to work with senior citizens, especially those in underserved rural, multi-cultural communities. Similar grant amounts will fund Project AGE in its second and third years, for an expected total award of nearly \$450,000.

Project AGE, the Alliance for Gerontology Education, is using an interdisciplinary approach to expand teaching and place a greater focus on the needs of the rapidly growing, culturally diverse geriatric population. The project came about after a committee of WMU faculty and administrators suggested that the University fine-tune its curriculum to better meet the demands of an ever-graying society.

The result of their suggestions is a project that pairs geriatric education efforts with other core allied health disciplines. Gerontology specialists at WMU are working to prepare both graduate and undergraduate students for professional practice with older citizens. Kalamazoo Valley Community College faculty also are collaborating on the project.

Students will not only learn about aging and culture, but will also hear about devices that can make life easier for seniors, from low-tech page magnifiers to high-tech digitized hearing aids, sophisticated recreational equipment and computerized "smart houses." Students also will exam-

ine prevention of disability through diet and exercise.

"We want to teach students about the whole range of assisted technologies plus how to use technology themselves to get information," says Sandra O. Glista, speech pathology and audiology. "So we're going to be developing and using Web-based instruction to help them learn how to get information."

The program will infuse knowledge of geriatric issues throughout the curriculum, says Glista, who is co-directing the project with Maija Petersons, family and consumer sciences.

"We're not initiating new courses," Glista says. "We're going to take the classes that are already in existing curriculums and expand them to look at the total life span so that we get broader dissemination of the information to all students."

The project's other features include clinical practicum placements that emphasize teamwork, with students working in teams of three or more; a continuing education component in the second and third years; and a newsletter.

WMU has a long-standing gerontology program that offers certification for people with degrees in other areas, Glista says. But many students do not obtain the certification because of time and money constraints. In addition, students who do become certified have a good theoretical foundation in gerontology, but sometimes lack practical experience. Project AGE should help to solve both problems.

Ultimately, program organizers hope students will go beyond their newfound knowledge and actually opt to work with the elderly after they graduate. That could very well happen, Glista says.

Four years ago, Glista won a grant from the same agency to improve the preparation of graduate-level speech and language pathologists and audiologists to work with the elderly.

"What I have found out is that we have had an increased number of students seek and get employment in settings where elderly people are cared for compared to prior years," Glista says.

### Geology name changed

WMU's Department of Geology is no longer. The department is now officially the Department of Geosciences, following approval of the new name by the Board of Trustees at its Oct. 30 meeting.

The department currently offers six undergraduate degree programs in the areas of geology, hydrogeology, earth science teaching, earth science non-teaching and geophysics. It also offers two graduate programs in earth science and geology and a doctoral program in hydrogeology.

## Engineering college decision delayed until later this month for closer examination, input

President Elson S. Floyd announced Dec. 3 that he would delay making a recommendation about where to build the University's new College of Engineering and Applied Sciences facilities until sometime in January.

Floyd originally had planned to make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees at the board's Dec. 11 meeting.

Both the cities of Battle Creek and Kalamazoo are vying to become home to the new college facilities along with new paper and printing research facilities and a proposed research park. Officials from both communities submitted written proposals for the project to the University Nov. 30 and made presentations to Floyd and other University officials Dec. 2.

"I was extremely pleased with the quality of the presentations made by both communities and with their commitment to partnering with the University on this important project," Floyd said in announcing his decision to delay making a recommendation. He said the University would need additional time to examine both proposals and he would like both communities to respond to some of the issues that were raised at the Dec. 2 meetings.

"At the same time, we can be gathering additional input about how this decision

will impact our students, faculty and teaching mission as well as the University's finances," he noted.

Floyd met with concerned students on the issue Dec. 3 and vowed to meet with them again before a final decision is reached.

## Gov. Engler taps Pretty for state job

Gov. John Engler announced Dec. 17 that Keith A. Pretty, vice president for external affairs and general counsel at the University, has accepted a post in his new administration.

Pretty will head a new Michigan project designed to prepare the state's workforce for the 21st century.

"I congratulate Keith on this appointment. This will be an excellent forum for him to continue his service to the state," said President Floyd after the governor's announcement. "I also would like to thank him for his many contributions to the University."

Pretty, a 1973 graduate of WMU and a 1978 graduate of Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing, joined the University staff in 1987 as general counsel and vice president for legislative affairs. He came to WMU after serving for seven years as a lobbyist for Amoco Corp. in Washington, D.C. Pretty was appointed vice president for external affairs in 1992. His areas of responsibility included legal affairs; legislative relations; collective bargaining; development; alumni relations; and marketing, public relations and communications.

The organizational matters surrounding Pretty's departure will be addressed over the next few weeks, Floyd said. Decisions on those matters will be announced both internally and externally at a later date.

## Berkey honored by Midwest professional organization

Debra S. Berkey, chairperson of the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, has been awarded the 1999 Meritorious Service Award by the Midwest District of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

The award will be presented at the MDAHPERD convention in Huntington, W. Va., in February.

## BOT authorizes acquisition of two West Hills properties

The Board of Trustees Dec. 11 authorized the acceptance of two properties from West Hills Enterprises Inc. of Kalamazoo and in return created a charitable remainder trust that will benefit the properties' former owners.

The properties, known as West Hills Athletic Club and West Hills Professional Center, are both located on 11th Street in Oshtemo. West Hills Enterprises Inc. will continue to operate and manage the businesses with its current staff, according to University officials.

## National City chief to speak

David Daberko, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of National City Corp., the new parent corporation of the former First of America Bank, will speak on campus Tuesday, Jan. 19, as part of the Haworth College of Business Distinguished Speaker Series.

Daberko will speak on "Financial Services in the New Millennium" at 7:30 p.m. in the Brown Auditorium of Schneider Hall.

Business and community leaders from Southwest Michigan as well as WMU faculty, staff and students will attend the event. The lecture is by invitation only, but those interested in attending may call the college at 7-5050.

Daberko began his career in the banking industry in 1968 when he joined National City Bank. He was named executive vice president of the corporate banking group in 1982. In 1985, he led the assimilation of the former BancOhio National Bank into National City Bank. He became president and chief operating officer for the National City Corp. in 1993 and was named to his current positions of chairman and CEO in 1995.



Daberko

"We have no intention of doing anything that would disrupt the business operations at the athletic club or professional center," said President Floyd. "We will be maintaining the current staff, hours and programming at West Hills."

Robert Beam, vice president for business and finance, said the University's athletic department has had a long-term relationship with the West Hills Athletic Club, using its facilities for the Bronco tennis teams. He said that WMU became interested in the property when it learned that the owners were considering its sale.

"Because our current athletic and recreation facilities are stretched to capacity, we didn't want to see the West Hills Athletic Club sold to someone who might discontinue its operations. Besides our tennis teams, we have increased needs for facilities like this as a result of our increasing commitment to women's sports," Beam commented.

## Dean retirement feted

The campus community is invited to attend a reception Friday, Jan. 15, in honor of James R. Dean, who is retiring from his post as director of dining services after 32 years of service. The event is from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Oaklands.

## Human resources

Relationships. We live and work daily with the same people. Why is it sometimes so hard to get along?

The Employee Assistance Program continues its "Lunch & Learn" noon-time series with a topic that will help you get your new year off to a great start. Kathy Kreager, EAP counselor, will share some hints to improve the relationships in your life. Please join her from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 12, in 158 Bernhard Center. This is a free workshop and you don't need a reservation—just bring your lunch.

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## Campus counseling center expands its community service impact in area

A WMU center with a long history of community service has a new director and has launched an initiative to expand its impact on communities in Southwest Michigan.

Bruce P. Hackworth, a counseling psychologist with a long track record of service in Michigan community mental health work, has been appointed as the first full-time director of the Center for Counseling and Psychological Services. The center, which was founded in 1964, has provided counseling for nearly 5,000 area residents over the years while serving as a training site for graduate students preparing for counseling careers as well as a site for faculty and student research.

Hackworth's appointment to head the center, which is part of the Department of Counselor

Education and Counseling Psychology, is part of a drive to ex-

pand the center's focus and begin providing services through contracts with area social service agencies, insurance companies and local courts.

"We want to explore new avenues for providing service, expand our research efforts and continue to provide our students with clinical experience that reflects the reality of the workplaces they will soon enter," Hackworth says.

Joseph R. Morris, chairperson of the Department of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, says expanded contact with community agencies and service providers will enhance the overall level of training the department provides and the caliber of graduates available to work in area agencies.

"Stronger connections and collaboration with community agencies will mean those agencies will have better clinicians working for them in the future," Morris says. "We want to build a culture that will better facilitate research and broaden our students' experience. These are things we have to do to maintain the department's leadership in the mental health professions."

The center, Hackworth notes, provides an intermediate step between the classroom and a professional field experience for master's and doctoral students in the department. Students, working under the



Hackworth

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Joseph R. Morris, CECP chairperson

supervision of faculty members who are professional counselors and psychologists, provide counseling and other services such as vocational testing and psychological assessments. Since its inception, the center also has served as a center for research in the field.

The center has served clients ranging in age from 7 to 74. The majority of clients are female and depression is the most common problem treated. Other commonly treated mental health problems are anxiety disorders, adjustment disorders and relational problems. Clients are seen by counselors an average of six to seven times.

The center was directed from 1986 until 1997 by Robert L. Betz, counselor education and counseling psychology. As the center's first formal director, he oversaw center operations on a half-time basis in addition to teaching. He has returned to full-time teaching and still is an active part of the center's teaching activities. For years, he notes, the clinic was the only place in the area offering free mental health

services to clients.

"Our mission was always to provide service to un-

derserved members of the community while serving as a training site for our students and furthering the body of research in the field," says Betz.

While the mission remains intact, there will be changes to the way the center operates that will enhance and improve all three elements, says Morris. A minimal sliding scale fee-for-service plan for individual clients, similar to the payment method other campus service providers use, will likely be adopted to help the center become self-supporting.

Hackworth comes to the University from St. Joseph, Mich., where he served as the chief executive officer of the Lighthouse Behavioral Health facility.

## Web watch

If you need to know the latest on the University's status when threatening weather looms, look to the WMU/News Web page.

WMU/News, which is maintained by the Office of Marketing, Public Relations and Communications, is the only site at the University that is updated daily—365 days a year, including holidays. It was updated two or three times daily with news of the closing and opening of the University earlier this week.

One year ago, WMU/News was averag-

## On campus



**HAPPY TO HEAD FOR HAENICKE HALL—** Vivian L. Locke will leave her McCracken Hall laboratory suite behind after the winter semester for state-of-the-art facilities in Haenicke Hall, the University's new science research facility. The Department of Biological Sciences' laboratory technician says she'll only miss a few things about her current work place which is decorated with plants, antique science equipment and "mutant plasticware" shapes that have come out on the losing end in encounters with intense heat. But she expects the move

will mean a new set of challenges and more days that are "never routine." Locke says each day she sets a tentative schedule, but adds, "I never quite know what's in store. This job tends to be not routine." Working in her series of three interconnected laboratories, she is in charge of equipment sterilization procedures for the University's biomedical students and faculty as well as for those in biochemistry. She prepares media cultures and supplies for microbiology classes, orders laboratory supplies and is in charge of keeping track of keys to the facilities. Her job even extends to keeping the department's 15-year-old autoclave running until the large high-pressure piece of sterilizing equipment is replaced by a series of autoclaves in the new building. "Sometimes I have to resort to using old-fashioned pressure-cookers when it just won't work," she says. Locke, a native of Montana and a graduate of Montana State University, has been in the same position since first coming to the University in 1979 — although she took a few breaks along the way to raise children. Her job responsibilities have evolved over the years and she now supervises three teaching assistants and three work-study students each semester. She says her favorite part of the job is interacting with students, many of whom tackle ambitious research and career goals. When not at work, she enjoys basket weaving, completing some of those art works as graduation gifts for students with whom she's enjoyed working. She also keeps busy as the parent of two high school students who are involved in such sports as soccer and skiing. (Photo by Neil Rankin)

## Faculty, staff volunteers needed to provide cultural experiences for international students

Faculty and staff members can learn about foreign cultures without leaving the confines of Michigan while helping international students improve their grasp of

American culture and language through a campus program linking international students with American families.

The Career English Language Center for International Students is looking for Friendship Families who are willing to let international students experience American family life and culture through interactions once or twice a month.

The University has nearly 2,000 students from 97 nations. Most of the students in the CELCIS program seeking Friendship Families are Asian, Latin American, European and Middle Eastern and are studying English in order to prepare them for enrollment in the University.

To participate in the Friendship Families program or for more information, contact Cheryl Ruiter at 7-4802.

## Obituaries

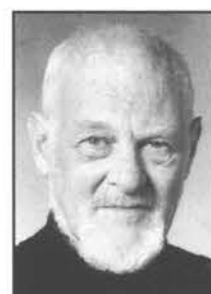
**Lindsay Farnan**, associate professor emeritus of industrial education, died Dec. 20 in Port Charlotte, Fla. He was 82.

Farnan, a native of Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada, retired in 1979 after 30 years at the University. He earned a bachelor's degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo and a master's degree from Iowa State University, where he taught in 1947-48.

He came to WMU in 1948 as an assistant professor and over the years served as a state judge and program presenter at Michigan Industrial Education Society conventions.

**David P. Karsten**, professor emeritus of theatre, died Dec. 1 in Kalama, Wash. He was 71.

The recipient of a 1993 Alumni Association Teaching Excellence Award and a WMU faculty member for 28 years, Karsten retired in 1995. During his years at the University, he directed five productions that were selected to compete in regional competitions of the Kennedy



Karsten

Center's American College Theater Festival. He also was active with community and professional theatre organizations across Southwest Michigan.

A graduate of Hope College, he earned master's and doctoral degrees from Northwestern University and Michigan State University, respectively. He taught in high schools in Hudsonville, Mich. and Yakutat, Alaska, and was a faculty member at Hope before joining the WMU faculty in 1968.

WMU Trustee Emeritus **Philip N. Watterson** of Ada, Mich. died Dec. 18 in Grand Rapids. He was 89.

Watterson, a 1932 WMU alumnus, had a career as a teacher and an executive with the auto and steel industries. He was appointed a charter member of the Board of Trustees by Gov. George Romney in 1964 and he served on the board for the next ten years, until 1974. He also served as director of the WMU Alumni Association. After his service as a trustee, he was named to the Board of Control of the State Council of Higher Education.

In 1975, Watterson was honored with the first WMU Distinguished Service Award during winter commencement ceremonies. He subsequently was the recipient of a WMU Distinguished Alumni Award.

## Jobs

The following list of vacancies is currently being posted through the Job Opportunity Program by employment services in the Department of Human Resources. Interested benefits-eligible employees should submit a job opportunity transfer application during the posting period, and may contact an employment services staff member for assistance in securing these positions.

S-01 and S-02 clerical positions are not required to be posted. For persons interested in faculty positions, there are openings in selected fields. A letter of application should be submitted to the appropriate dean or chairperson.

(R) **Secretary III** (Repost), S-06, Residence Hall Life, 98/99-301, 1/05-1/11/99.

(N) **Assistant Professor** (Tenure Track; Academic Year), I-30, Science Studies, 98/99-323, 1/05-1/11/99.

(R) **Assistant Director Dining Services**, P-06, University Dining Services, 98/99-326, 1/05-1/11/99.

(R) **Supervisor Custodial Services** (third shift), P-03, Plant-Building Custodial and Support Services, 98/99-329, 1/05-1/11/99.

(R) **Custodian** (third shift; 16 positions), M1/M2, Plant-Building Custodial and Support Services, 98/99-330-345, 1/05-1/11/99.

(R) **House Staff**, (Wednesday through Sunday; 6:30 a.m.-3 p.m.) M-2.5, Bernhard Center, 98/99-346, 1/05-1/11/99.

(R) **Secretary I**, S-04, Graduate College, 98/99-348, 1/05-1/11/99.

(R) **Secretary Administrative I**, S-07, Biological Sciences, 98/99-349, 1/05-1/11/99.

(R) **Secretary III**, S-06, Mathematics and Statistics, 98/99-350, 1/05-1/11/99.

(R) **Associate Professor** (Tenure Track; Academic Year), I-20, Occupational Therapy, 98/99-351, 1/05-1/11/99.

(R) **Professor** (Tenure Track; Academic Year), I-20, School of Music, 98/99-352, 1/05-1/11/99.

(N) **Assistant Professor** (Tenure Track; Academic Year), I-30, Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, 98/99-354, 1/05-1/11/99.

(R) **Applications Programmer**, X-04, Human Resources, 98/99-355, 1/05-1/11/99.

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(N) New

(R) Replacement

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# Calendar

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## Friday, January 8

\*(through Jan. 10) Kalamazoo Film Society showing of James Ivory's 1998 film, "A Soldier's Daughter Never Cries," starring Kris Kristofferson, Campus Cinema, Oakland Recital Hall: Jan. 8 and 9, 7 and 9:30 p.m.; Jan. 10, 2:30 p.m.  
\*Hockey, WMU vs. Alaska-Fairbanks, Lawson Ice Arena, 7 p.m.

## Saturday, January 9

\*Hockey, WMU vs. Alaska-Fairbanks, Lawson Ice Arena, 7 p.m.  
\*Men's Basketball, WMU vs. Northern Illinois, University Arena, 12:30 p.m.  
\*Women's Basketball, WMU vs. Marshall, University Arena, 4 p.m.

## Sunday, January 10

Annual MLK campus and community worship service, Voices of WMU, Third Millenium Choir, Praise Dancers, Kanley Chapel, 2 p.m.  
Women's Gymnastics, WMU vs. Illinois State and Central Michigan, University Arena, 2 p.m.

## Monday, January 11

(through Jan. 15) BFA Degree Show, "Atrocity Deprivation," Edward Redlin, painting, Rotunda Gallery, East Hall, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; reception, Friday, Jan. 15, 5-7 p.m.

## Tuesday, January 12

(through Jan. 28) Exhibition, paintings by WMU alumnus Theodore Morgan, professor of printmaking at New York State College of Ceramics at Alfred University, Gallery II, Sangren Hall, weekdays, except Jan. 18, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; slide lecture on his work, Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2302 Sangren, 7 p.m.; reception follows in Gallery II.  
Meeting, Faculty Senate's Budget and Finance Council, Conference Room B, Seibert Administration Building, 3 p.m.  
Meeting, Faculty Senate's Undergraduate Studies Council, 3150 Schneider Hall, 3 p.m.  
Keystone Leadership Program workshop, "Recruitment and Retention of Organization Members," WMU coordinator of campus programming Todd T. Hufford, 204 Bernhard Center, 8:30 p.m.

## Wednesday, January 13

Research workshop, "Proposal Writing: Humanities," 159 Bernhard Center, noon-1:30 p.m.; call 7-8298 to register.  
School of Music Convocation Series Performance, Wlodek Pawlik, piano/jazz, performing with Thomas Knific on bass and Tim Froncek on drums, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 1 p.m.

## Thursday, January 14

The 11th Annual Graduate Information Day for Diversity Students hosted by the Graduate College, South Ballroom, Bernhard Center, noon-2 p.m.; complimentary lunch provided, call 7-3574 to register.  
Meeting, Faculty Senate's Admissions, Financial Aid and Student Affairs Council, Conference Room B, Seibert Administration Building, 3:30 p.m.  
Administrative Professional Association winter general membership meeting, special guest speaker President Elson S. Floyd, 157 Bernhard Center, noon-1 p.m.  
Meeting, Faculty Senate's Research Policies Council, 3150 Schneider Hall, 3 p.m.  
School of Music student recital, Lawrence K. Rich, tuba, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 5 p.m.

## Friday, January 15

Retirement reception honoring James R. Dean, dining services, the Oaklands, 1:30-4:30 p.m.  
School of Music student recital, Sandy Kessler, trombone, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 6 p.m.  
\*(through Jan. 17) Western Film Society showing of Chris Eyre's 1998 film, "Smoke Signals," first feature film written, directed, co-produced and acted by Native Americans, Campus Cinema, Oakland Recital Hall: Jan. 15 and 16, 7 and 9:30 p.m.; Jan. 17, 2:30 p.m.  
\*Hockey, WMU vs. Northern Michigan, Lawson Ice Arena, 7 p.m.  
\*(through Jan. 17) Performance, "The King and I," Miller Auditorium: Jan. 15, 8 p.m.; Jan. 16, 2 and 8 p.m.; and Jan. 17, 2 p.m.

## Saturday, January 16

\*Women's Basketball, WMU vs. Ohio, University Arena, 2 p.m.

## Sunday, January 17

Women's Gymnastics, WMU vs. Eastern Michigan, University Arena, 2 p.m.  
School of Music guest artist master class with Jean-Marie Londeix, saxophone, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 3 p.m.  
School of Music guest artist recital, William Street, saxophone, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

## Monday, January 18

(through Jan. 22) Exhibition, "Acute Observations," photography by Ryan Flathau and Brandon Morkut, Rotunda Gallery, East Hall, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; reception, Friday, Jan. 22, 5-7 p.m.  
Martin Luther King Day, WMU offices closed, no classes held.  
(through Jan. 21) Events for Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration "Courage to Live the Dream: Commitment, Community, Opportunity:" March sponsored by the student chapter of the NAACP from the Bernhard Center to MLK Park on North Rose St., noon; Convocation with keynote speaker choreographer Donald McKayle, State of Michigan King/Chavez/Parks Visiting Artist, Miller Auditorium, 7 p.m.

## Tuesday, January 19

\*(and Jan. 26 and Feb. 2) Management Development Program, "Tactics for Effective Leadership: Interaction Management," Fetzer Center, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; call 7-3232 to register.  
MLK Day events: (and Jan. 20) "Colloquium Celebrating the Life and Work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr." and "FUNKADESI: A Musical Duet for World Peace," 2452 Knauss Hall, 10-11:50 a.m.; MLK Festival with ethnic food sampling, speech contest winner, music and dance, East Ballroom, Bernhard Center, 6-11 p.m.  
Meeting, Faculty Senate's Campus Planning Council, Faculty Lounge, Bernhard Center, 3 p.m.  
Research workshop, "Proposal Review and Approval Form," 157 Bernhard Center, noon-1:30 p.m.; call 7-8298 to register.  
\*Plaza Arts Circle Young Concert Artists Series concert, Yayoi Toda, violin, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

## Wednesday January 20

School of Music Convocation Series performance, Yayoi Toda, violin, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 1 p.m.  
MLK Day event, "Life in the Professional World," panel presentation by the Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering featuring engineering professionals from various professional groups, 2053 Kohrman Hall, 2-3 p.m.

School of Music guest artist recital by pianists Duo Pianistico of the Federal University in Para, Brazil, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

## Thursday, January 21

Special meeting of the Image and Culture Committee of the Governor's Innovation Forum to address Michigan's image problem, Fetzer Center, 10 a.m.  
MLK Day events: Poetry recital by members of the African Students Association, noon-1 p.m.; Forum on "The Shape of the River: Affirmative Action in Higher Education," discussion of the book by Derek Bok and William Bowen, sponsored by the Graduate College and University libraries, MLK Room, Bernhard Center, noon-2 p.m.; "Roots of African-American Cooking," sponsored by the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences, 3000 Kohrman Hall, 3-5 p.m.; "Doing Business in the Inner City," presentation and discussion by Craig Sturken, president and chief executive officer of Farmer Jack Supermarkets, Haworth College of Business dean's office area, Schneider Hall, 4 p.m.; \*Annual MLK Banquet and program, featuring keynote speaker Felix Sharpe, assistant to Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer, Fetzer Center, 6-9 p.m.  
Meeting, Faculty Senate's Regional Education Council, Conference Room B, Seibert Administration Building, 3 p.m.  
School of Music guest artist recital and residency with pianist Richard Cass of the University of Missouri-Kansas City, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.  
\* Admission charged

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were canceled for the observance but the University remained open. This is the 10th year that WMU officially has recognized the birthday of the slain civil rights leader.

"It is my hope that all members of the University community will use the opportunity of this holiday to come together to honor Dr. King's dedication to equality and freedom for all persons," Floyd said.

A continuing resource on King is a Web page on MLK at WMU that was developed by the University Libraries and its Archives and Regional History Collections (see box). It is available from WMU's MLK Web page at <www.wmich.edu/mlkday>.

- Other major events include:
- The WMU student chapter of the NAACP's march to MLK Park near downtown Kalamazoo, leaving from the Bernhard Center at noon Jan. 18. A program of reflections will be presented at the park.
  - A science and art fair for Kalamazoo area K-12 students from 1:30 to 5 p.m. Jan. 18 in the Bernhard Center, sponsored by Student Volunteer Services in the Lee Honors College.
  - An MLK Festival, scheduled for 7-10 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19, in the East Ballroom of the Bernhard Center. It is being billed as a multi-cultural, multi-ethnic celebration of the life and work of King.
  - The Division of Minority Affairs' annual MLK Program banquet, beginning at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21, in the Fetzer Center. The featured speaker will be Felix Sharpe, assistant to Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer. The cost is \$10 per person.
  - The Minority Student Leadership Conference's annual lock-in from 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23, to 6 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 24, in Read Fieldhouse. The event offers food, activities and rap sessions on the impact of King's beliefs today.

Many other events and activities honoring King's birthday are listed in the Calendar section of this week's *Western News*. A complete list will be distributed to the University community next week and will be available on the World Wide Web at <www.wmich.edu/mlkday>. The MLK Day site also provides links to related MLK resources around the country.

The University's observance of King's birthday is being coordinated by the MLK Day Committee of the Faculty Senate through the Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnic Relations. The committee is chaired by David M. Lyth, industrial and manufacturing engineering, and includes students, faculty members and staff members.

### MLK site available

The University libraries and its Archives and Regional History Collections have developed a Web page on a visit to WMU by the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. in 1963 and a wide range of other materials related to King and his crusade for freedom and human rights. The page includes photographs of King at WMU, excerpts of King's speech in Read Fieldhouse on Dec. 18, 1963, a full text of the speech and audio clips of the speech. It also provides an introduction that sets out the historical context of King's visit and its effect and resulting programs at WMU as well as other resources. The site is available through the University MLK Day Web page at <www.wmich.edu/mlkday> or through <www.wmich.edu/library/archives-MLK.html>.

## Charter schools (Continued from page one)

Rikkers, Portage Public Schools; Robert Spencer, Battle Creek Lakeview Public Schools; and Al Hawkins, Covert Public Schools.

The group drafted an approach to chartering that, through partnerships, cooperation and collaboration, will shape the character of charter schools in the state while not adversely impacting existing public education.

"That's the approach we're taking, which is a little different from what other universities have done," Rapley said. "We're more interested in partnerships with schools than simply issuing them a charter and then letting them do whatever they want to do as we provide oversight. We're a little more interested in working directly with them on whatever those innovations are."

A draft of the position statement was shared with other area superintendents and all College of Education faculty. Those other area superintendents involved were from the Paw Paw, Marcellus, Edwardsburg, Vicksburg, Constantine and Olivet public schools and the St. Joseph Intermediate School District. The final

statement represents the collective thoughts of all who participated.

The statement's basic tenets stipulate that efforts must result in the improvement of learning and achievement for all students and express a desire to further define the character of charter schools.

The statement also says that the University will be actively involved in any school it grants a charter and intends to supplement and complement public school efforts, not duplicate programs. Any charter the University grants "must not erode existing public education nor negatively affect existing demographics in the district" where the school is chartered, the statement says.

### President Floyd to speak at APA membership meeting

President Floyd will be the guest speaker at the Administrative Professional Association's winter general membership meeting Thursday, Jan. 14.

The meeting will take place from noon to 1 p.m. in 157 Bernhard Center.