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A day to remember

Students graduating during the University's June 27 commencement exercises came away with

some special memories. **AT RIGHT:** In a surprise appearance during the first ceremony, comedian Tim Allen received an honorary doctor of fine arts degree and a Distinguished Alumni Award. Allen, a 1976 WMU graduate and the star of ABC Television's "Home Improvement," kept President Haenicke, left, and the audience in stitches during his stint on the Miller Auditorium stage. **AT LEFT:** Haenicke, who was presiding over his last commencement exercises, was awarded an honorary doctor of humane letters degree at the second ceremony. Presenting him with the doctoral hood were Trustees Richard Y. St. John and Lori B. Waddles. Haenicke plans to retire July 31 after 13 years as president to return to the faculty. (Photos by Neil Rankin)

Aviation school negotiates third international contract

Emirates Airlines, the international carrier of the United Arab Emirates, will become the third major client of WMU's International Pilot Training Centre.

Eight Emirates cadets will begin training Aug. 12 at W.K. Kellogg Airport in Battle Creek, home of the School of Aviation Sciences and its International Pilot Training Centre. The cadets will be trained under terms of an expected one-year contract.

The Emirates cadets will share a training course with a class of eight new Aer Lingus cadets. The arrival of both groups of students will bring to 72 the number of international airlines pilots being trained at the school, which also has a training contract with British Airways.

"This is a big step toward our goal of having, as regular clients, a group of four or five select airlines that are representative of different parts of the world," says Joseph H. Dunlap, aviation sciences. "In the future, we'd like also to have an Asian airline and eventually one from Africa as part of that select group."

Contract details with the newest client are now being finalized, Dunlap says, but the agreement will include a major new component to the school's training regimen — a five-week jet orientation course.

The new course will be made possible by the school's recent decision to acquire a jet simulator. The simulator, which will be a Boeing 737-400 type, will arrive sometime in the summer of 1999. That purchase was made possible partly through a grant to the school from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek.

"This is a major development for us," Dunlap says. "Not only will we be able to negotiate future contracts that will include jet training, having the simulator means we'll also be able to bid on offering airline-sponsored jet orientation courses for cadets other than the ones we are training."

Football center dedication planned for July 10

The Bill Brown Alumni Football Center at Waldo Stadium will be dedicated in public ceremonies at 2 p.m. Friday, July 10, in the lobby of the building.

Participating in the ceremony will be James S. Brady of Grand Rapids, WMU trustee emeritus and chairperson of the

WMU Foundation; Kathy B. Beauregard, intercollegiate athletics; Willard A. (Bill) Brown of Chicago, who headed fund raising for the project; and President Haenicke.

The \$8.2 million, 55,000-square-foot structure has been built entirely with private contributions (see related story on page two).

Football center named in honor of Bill Brown

The University's new \$8.2 million alumni football center has been named in honor of Willard A. (Bill) Brown of Chicago, a 1953 graduate of the University and an outstanding football player.

The Board of Trustees approved the naming of the center at its June 26 meeting.

"Through Bill Brown's generous donation of time, ideas and personal resources, the WMU Foundation has been able to raise the funds needed to complete this major building project," President Haenicke said. "It's important to note that all funds have come from private sources."

"For this, we are deeply grateful, not only to Bill but also to all those who contributed to make this campaign a success," Haenicke continued. "Without a very broad base of support, we could not have achieved our goal."

"The Bill Brown Alumni Football Center at Waldo Stadium will provide WMU's coaches and student athletes with the facilities they need for the future," said Keith A. Pretty, vice president for external affairs and general counsel and president of the WMU Foundation. "These facilities are among the best in the country."

The 55,000-square-foot center includes entirely new locker rooms for visiting and home players; meeting rooms; facilities for training, strength and conditioning; and an auditorium seating 130 persons. The third-floor coaches' offices also will be used for instruction and as suites on game days.

Other major donors to the campaign are Peter L. and Elizabeth J. Aseritis, Robert J. Bobb, First of America Bank, Lloyd E. and Nancy Gearhart, Haworth Inc., William D. Johnson and Ronda E. Stryker, Kalleward-Bergerson Charitable Foundation Inc., Judith L. and William J. Maze Jr., Jim and Consuelo McKinley, John A. and Lynnora A. Offerdahl, Dominic J. and Sharon L. Riggio, Orville F. and Linda A. Schneider, Tower Pinkster Titus Associates Inc., and James S. and Sheila D. Ware.

Brown was among the first WMU graduates to receive the newly offered bachelor's degree in business administration in 1953. He was a four-year member of the Bronco football team, lettering at halfback between 1950 and 1952, the year he was selected the team's most valuable player. He led the 1952 team in rushing, receptions and scoring.

Brown's career after WMU is equally impressive. In 1955, after completing service in the U.S. Air Force, he began a career with Rubloff Inc. of Chicago, one of the nation's largest full-service real estate companies. He retired in 1996 as chair and chief executive officer.

His service to the University has been extensive. He has been a member of the WMU Foundation Board of Directors since 1983, serving as its chair from 1986 to 1989. He is a life member of the WMU Alumni Association and was WMU's 1992 Volunteer of the Year.

24 faculty members granted tenure at meeting

Twenty-four faculty members were approved for tenure by the Board of Trustees June 26. The appointments are effective with the beginning of the 1998-99 academic year.

The faculty members and their departments, by academic rank, are: **professor** — Vladimir V. Tsukruk, construction engineering, materials engineering and industrial design.

Associate professor — Sanjay L. Ahire, management; Eskander Alvi, economics; Judith M. Arnold, University libraries; Karen R. Blaisure, counselor education and counseling psychology; Allen Carey-Webb, English; David L. Code, music; Sylvia Culp, philosophy; Richard Digby-Junger, English; David J. Flanagan, management; Luis R. Gamez, English; Matthew L. Higgins, English; David N. Karowe, biological sciences; Michael S. Nassaney, anthropology; Craig A. Peterson, finance and commercial law; Sam N. Ramrattan, industrial and manufacturing engineering; G. Thomas Ray, education and professional development; Ajay A. Samant, finance and commercial law; Martine Sauret, foreign languages and literatures; Zoann K. Snyder-Joy, sociology; Hung-Lian Tang, business information systems; and Karen Thomas, education and professional development.

Assistant professor — Jil C. Larson, English; and Donna M. Talbot, counselor education and counseling psychology.

Board OKs promotions of 36 faculty members

The promotions of 36 faculty members were approved June 26 by the Board of Trustees.

Twenty faculty members were promoted to full professors and 16 to associate professors. All promotions are effective with the beginning of the 1998-99 academic year.

The faculty members and their departments, by the academic rank to which they are being promoted, are: **professor** — Roberta M. Allen, business information systems; Craig S. Arnold, music; Thomas C. Bailey, English; Jan L. Bedrosian, speech pathology and audiology; Debra S. Berkey, health, physical education and recreation; David A. Burnie, finance and commercial law; Sung G. Chung, physics; Gwendolyn Etter-Lewis, English; Ajay K. Gupta, computer science; David J. Hartmann, sociology; Marcia A. Kingsley, University libraries; Renata A. Knific, music; Joseph Kretovics, education and professional development; Bernardine M. Lacey, nursing;

Hanjoon Lee, marketing; David M. Lyth, industrial and manufacturing engineering; Robert F. Reck, marketing; Cynthia Running-Johnson, foreign languages and literatures; Frederick Z. Sitkins, industrial and manufacturing engineering; and Lindsey A. Thomas, dance.

Associate professor — Lisa E. Baker, psychology; Robert J. Bensley, health, physical education and recreation; Karen R. Blaisure, counselor education and counseling psychology; Sylvia Culp, philosophy; Wendy Z. Ford, communication; Matthew L. Higgins, economics; Catherine J. Julien, history; C.R. Krishnaswamy, finance and commercial law; Lisa Paulius, physics; Craig A. Peterson, finance and commercial law; G. Thomas Ray, education and professional development; Wendy Rose, music; Larry J. Simon, history; Zoann K. Snyder-Joy, sociology; Patricia B. Viard, family and consumer sciences; and Qiji Zhu, mathematics and statistics.

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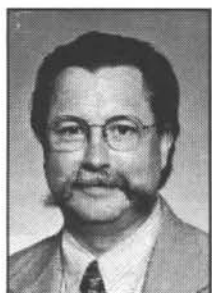
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Two selected as interim department chairpersons

The appointments of two new department chairpersons were approved June 26 by the Board of Trustees.



Leja



Tang

James A. Leja was named interim chairperson of the Department of Occupational Therapy and Hung-Lian Tang was named interim chairperson of the Department of Business Information Systems. Both appointments are effective July 1, 1998.

Leja has been a faculty member in the Department of Blind Rehabilitation since 1986. He also has served as associate dean for graduate education in the College of Health and Human Services since 1997. He will replace Susan K. Meyers, who has resigned.

Tang joined the business information systems faculty in 1992 after teaching for six years at Bowling Green State University. He will replace Joel P. Bowman, who is returning to the faculty.

The board also approved the return to the faculty of John W. Petro, from chairperson to professor of mathematics and statistics, effective June 30, 1999, and of James A. Visser, from dean of continuing education to assistant professor of public affairs and administration, effective June

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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) Assistant Professor (Repost; One-



SERVICE AWARD WINNERS — Four employees were honored at a luncheon June 16 as recipients of the annual \$1,000 Staff Service Excellence Awards. From left, pictured with Provost Timothy Light, center, are: Mary A. Gardner, building custodial and support services; Yvonne R. Rumery, Office of the Vice President for External Affairs and General Counsel; Linda L. Wallace, public safety; and Elaine K. Gaudio, foreign languages and literatures. The awards are intended for those staff members who reach far beyond their normal job expectations and assigned responsibilities to give generously of their time and talents to serve the University in true excellence. In addition to the cash awards, the winners received a framed certificate at the luncheon. (Photo by Neil Rankin)

Changes slated for student parking system

The University is reshaping its parking system with changes in the parking fine schedule and vehicle registration rates for 1998-99, partly as a result of the successful implementation in January of a free campuswide bus system that will continue this fall. The Board of Trustees approved the changes at its meeting June 26.

Among the changes are rates and rules

that will encourage students to park in lots more distant from the center of campus to relieve parking and traffic congestion, an increasing problem at the University, said Robert M. Beam, vice president for business and finance. And it will pay them to do so.

"Students who choose to park in lots near Lawson Arena and use the bus system will pay about what students paid last year to register their vehicles," Beam said.

Effective with the start of the fall semester, full-time students will pay \$150 to register their vehicle for fall and winter semesters, an increase of \$50 from the current rate. The cost for a full-time student to park in Lawson Arena lots will be \$60, the same as last year's rate for part-time students. This is the first time since 1994 that vehicle registration rates have been changed.

For the first time in almost 10 years, costs also will go up for students who receive parking tickets. The increases bring WMU's rates to levels comparable to those at other public universities. The additional revenue will be used to support ongoing maintenance of the parking system and future construction.

Year Term; Fiscal Year), I-30, University Counseling and Testing Center, 97/98-478, 6/30-7/6/98.

(R) Secretary III, S-06, College of Education, 97/98-489, 6/30-7/6/98.

(R) Secretary Administrative II, S-08, Nursing, 97/98-490, 6/30-7/6/98.

(R) Facility Technician, X-03 (Hourly), Telecommunications, 97/98-491, 6/30-7/6/98.

Please call the Applicant Information Service at 7-3669 for up-to-date information on the Job Opportunity Program and vacancies available to external applicants.

(R) Replacement
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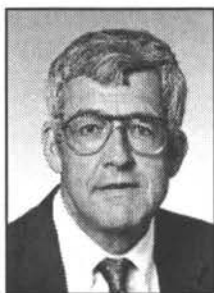
Board approves retirements of 20 faculty and staff members

The retirements of 16 faculty members and four staff members were approved June 26 by the Board of Trustees.

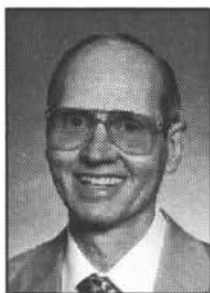
The faculty members granted retirement with emeriti status, along with their years of service and effective dates, are:

Lewis H. Carlson, history, 31 years, effective April 30, 1999; Dennis E. Darling, paper and printing science and engineering, 31 years, effective June 30, 1998; David K. Diget, health, physical education and recreation, 28-1/2 years, effective Dec. 31, 1998; H. Byron Earhart, comparative religion, 39 years, effective April 30, 2005; Robert G. Humiston, music, 35 years, effective April 30, 1999; Edward Jayne, English, 18-1/2 years, effective Jan. 3, 1999; Robert L. Jones, finance and commercial law, 22-1/2 years, effective Dec. 31, 2000; Marcia Mascolini, business information systems, 23-1/2 years, effective Jan. 15, 1999; Ruth Ann Meyer, mathematics and statistics, 23 years, effective May 1, 1999; Philip P. Micklin, geography, 29-1/2 years, effective May 8, 1999; Ellen K. Page-Robin, community health services and sociology, 32-1/2 years, effective Aug. 31, 1998; Dale H. Porter, history, 30 years, effective April 30, 2000; Uldis Smidchens, educational leadership, 30-1/2 years, effective Jan. 2, 1999; Charles V. Spaniolo, University Counseling and Testing Center, 33-1/2 years, effective Feb. 15, 1999; Hans J. Stolle, geography, 18 years, effective May 1, 1999; and Shirley A. VanHoeven, communication, 29 years, effective June 30, 1999.

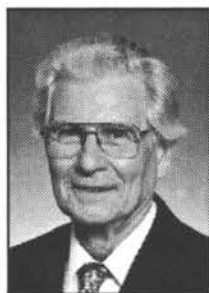
The staff members retiring are: Carol L. Barnett, College of Education, 18-1/2 years, effective April 30, 1998; Conrad P. Factor, physical plant-maintenance services, 13 years, effective May 31, 1998; Beverly C. Janssen, dining services, 13 years, effective May 29, 1998; and Jacilyn A. VanOosterhout, University computing services, 30 years, effective April 30, 1998.



Carlson



Darling



Humiston



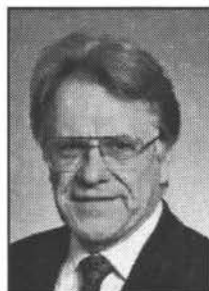
Meyer



Page-Robin



Porter



Smidchens



Spaniolo



VanHoeven

Grants already soar above last year's record

With one month still to report before the close of the 1997-98 fiscal year, grants to the University have passed the previous record by more than \$3.5 million, the Board of Trustees learned at its June 26 meeting.

Grant reports for March, April and May

detailed \$13,243,744 in awards to the University, bringing the fiscal year-to-date total of grants received to \$28,535,580. That figure exceeds the 1996-97 record grant total of \$25,019,439 by \$3,516,141 or 14 percent.

Appointments (Continued from page three)

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In addition, the trustees accepted the resignations of these faculty and staff members: Michael W. Bahr, special education, effective Aug. 21, 1998; Neale R. Chumbler, sociology, effective May 31, 1998; Todd M. Edwards, family and consumer sciences, effective Aug. 9, 1998; Elisabeth Friedman, political science, effective Aug. 9, 1998; Jerry W. Gilley, counselor education and counseling psychology, effective Aug. 9, 1998; Nancy Guy, music, effective Aug. 9, 1998; Bradley S. Hayden, English, effective April 18, 1998; Beverly Moore, Institute for

the Study of Race and Ethnic Relations, effective May 15, 1998; Christos Pantzalis, finance and commercial law, effective July 15, 1998; Tammi Vachhaase, counselor education and counseling psychology, effective Aug. 9, 1998; and Ilya Zaslavsky, geography, effective May 12, 1998.

The board also granted an administrative leave to Robert I. Sundick, chairperson of anthropology, from July 1, 1998, through June 30, 1999, and approved professional development leaves for: Craig S. Arnold, music, from Aug. 10, 1998, through Aug. 8, 1999; Stuart Dybek, English, from Sept. 1, 1998, through Dec. 21, 1998; Janice D. Gobert, science studies, from June 15, 1998, through June 21, 2000; and Mark S. Richardson, English, from Aug. 10, 1998, through April 23, 1999.

In further action, the trustees granted sabbatical leaves for the 1998-99 academic year to: Allen Carey-Webb, English; David L. Code, music; Michael S. Nassaney, anthropology; and Martine Sauret, foreign languages and literatures.

Calendar

The master calendar maintained by the Office of Marketing, Public Relations and Communications for use in Western News is available through WMU's home page on the World Wide Web. Select WMU News and then look for Calendar of Events. You can also link directly to the calendar at <www.wmich.edu/wmu/news/events>.

Friday, July 3

Independence Day holiday, no classes.

Friday, July 10

Dedication, Bill Brown Alumni Football Center, Waldo Stadium, 2 p.m.