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GRANTS AND GIFTS AT HIGHEST LEVEL IN HISTORY

Grants climb to \$24.2 million, up 14.4 percent over last year Gifts surpass five-year-old record, reaching \$12.3 million in 1995-96

With a record \$24.2 million in grants secured by the end of the 1995-96 fiscal year, the University's research future looks brighter than ever, Donald E. Thompson, vice president for research, told the Board of Trustees at its Sept. 13 meeting.

Grants for the year totaled \$24,155,766, topping the previous \$21.1 million record set last year by more than \$3 million. That amount, which includes the final month of June's \$1,625,297 grant total, represents a 14.4 percent increase in grant funding over the past year. Annual external funding for University research has climbed by more than \$20 million since 1985 — with nearly \$8 million in increased annual funding in the past three years alone.

"We're building a better future for research at this institution," Thompson says. "And in the process, we're building a better future for those who benefit from our applied research and the solutions to problems our research is generating."

He credits the recent success to a host of new graduate programs that include a strong research component; a growing core of enthusiastic researchers, many of them new faculty members; and a firm track record and growing reputation among funding agencies as an institution where applied research is done with great flair. He pointed also to physical improvements such as the campus' new science and aviation facilities as further indication that the future will be even brighter.

"We've been focusing on finding funding sources that will enable our faculty to do the research they need and want to do," Thompson says of recent efforts. "We have a good foundation and a good cross section of researchers who are willing to work together. Now we're in the process of improving the whole physical site for research. We'll have good materials with which to do research and those materials will help us attract more top researchers and students and boost the campus research spirit even higher."

Significant components to the grant total, Thompson says, included a 25 percent increase in the number of awards of \$500,000 or more since 1994-95. The amount of federal grant funding also increased in the last year by 91 percent — with much of that figure represented by a \$6 million award received early in the year to boost the School of Aviation Sciences.

Large, multi-year federal grants awarded

to WMU researchers during the 1990s also have set the stage for future research gains, Thompson notes. Since 1990, two five-year, federal awards in excess of \$5 million have gone to campus researchers in the fields of evaluation and mathematics education. Both areas continue to attract additional large grants, with much of that new funding based on the previous work and the University's growing reputation.

"As we become a mature research institution," Thompson says, "there will be larger and more long-term grants. That's what maturation is all about in this arena. Our researchers were awarded large grants originally because of their skills. People have now had the opportunity to see the results of such research and have come to recognize us as an outstanding research institution, especially in the area of applied research."

Thompson points also to a number of interdisciplinary research centers and institutes that have blossomed on the campus in recent years with the help and encouragement of his staff. Such centers often bring established researchers and new faculty members together in the research enterprise and have begun attracting the attention and funding of both industry and government agencies.

"We try to help determine what kinds of research are a natural fit as well as those that will unite active and emerging researchers," Thompson says.

In an effort to make even more funding agencies aware of the capabilities of WMU

Gifts soared past previous levels as WMU closed its 1995-96 fiscal year with a record \$12.3 million in gifts, the largest total in the University's history.

The University received record cash and deferred cash gifts of \$10,228,786, a figure that is nearly 20 percent above the previous record of \$8.5 million set last year. With the value of \$2,111,742 in non-cash gifts received during the year added to the figure, the total reached \$12,340,528, setting a new record for total gifts to the University in a single fiscal year and surpassing the previous gift record of \$11.1 million set in 1991. The figures were reported to the Board of Trustees at its Sept. 13 meeting.

"These are significant numbers," says Keith A. Pretty, vice president for external affairs and general counsel. "This level of support really says that people believe in this University and its leadership and want to invest in its future."

"During the past 10 years," he continued, "the public has given almost \$84 million in gifts to the University. That's \$84 million in scholarships, including the prestigious Medallion Scholarships, as well as program support and construction assistance that didn't exist before."

Pretty notes that the year's gifts to the University were made to a wide variety of academic programs and initiatives. That's a further indicator of the University's wide support in the state and around the country, he says, as well as a residual effect of the Campaign for Excellence, a capital campaign that ended in 1992 after raising \$62 million.

While a few pledges made during that campaign were part of this year's gift total, he notes, an even greater impact on current gift levels was the awareness of the University's needs that was raised and a commitment to the quality goals and objectives first expressed in that campaign. Both play a continuing role in generating new gifts and are part of the message used by those active in helping the University raise new funds.

"This University has a relatively short tenure in the business of seeking private support," Pretty notes, "but the level of enthusiasm generated here is high. As a rule, people don't give to institutions, they give to people. We have a strong base of dedicated faculty, staff, alumni, friends and volunteers who have been extremely effective in articulating the University's needs to the community — and our donor community has generously responded."

Gifts to the arts, sciences, construction, the health care disciplines, student financial aid and athletics all were part of the mix that led to this year's record levels, Pretty notes. The University's expanding array of opportunities gives people a chance to become involved in an institution they see as proactive and on the move, he says, as well as a chance to tailor their involvement to their own interests.

Pretty's report to the board included figures for June. A total of \$1,524,189 in current and deferred cash gifts was received during the final month in the University's fiscal year.

Among major individual gifts reported during the month was a \$136,210 bequest from the estate of Samuel K. Smart Jr. to support a scholarship fund in his name in the College of Education. The funds will benefit students preparing for careers as science or mathematics instructors. Smart, who died in 1994, was a teacher for 20 years in the Berrien Springs Public Schools. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from WMU in 1949 and 1956, respectively.

Also noted on the report was an anonymous gift of \$45,375 from an alumnus who resides in Florida. The gift will support a scholarship, awarded on the basis of academic merit, to full-time students majoring in chemistry, computer science, mathematics and statistics or physics.

Did you know?

■ In the past 10 years, gifts to WMU have nearly tripled, climbing from \$4.7 million in 1986-87 to \$12.3 million in 1995-96.

■ In the past 10 years, grants to WMU have better than quadrupled — going from \$5.6 million in 1986-87 to \$24.2 million at the close of the 1995-96 fiscal year.

■ The five highest totals in cash gifts received by WMU in its history have all been recorded in the past five years, with the record set this year at \$10.2 million.

■ Federal grant funding to the University has climbed in the past 10 years from \$1.3 million at the close of the 1986-87 fiscal year to \$12.9 million by the end of the 1995-96 fiscal year.

■ During the past 10 years, the number of grant proposals written and submitted to funding agencies each year by WMU faculty members has increased by 139 percent — from 241 in 1986-87 to 577 in 1995-96.

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THE SERVICE LOOKS GREAT — Dining never looked better for the 1,000 students who eat daily in the Goldsworth Valley I dining room. A completely renovated dining room and self-service lines as well as delicatessen and carry-out areas are now part of the daily dining experience. "We wanted a theme that was young and appealing — a place that freshmen would want to come back to," says Jan Myers, campus facility development, who coordinated the remodeling. "We worked to get away from the institutional look and move toward the feeling of a warm, friendly restaurant." The Valley I dining area renovation included new window systems and blinds; new flooring and lighting; divider walls and columns; a dropped ceiling; television and jukebox entertainment areas at opposite ends of the room; and walls covered with large photos of student life. James R. Dean, dining services, says self-service lines in the center of the dining area, like the ones pictured here, have proven popular with students, reminding some of a commercial buffet. Students can choose their own combination of dishes, select portion sizes and return at their leisure. Dean says the self-service configuration also has been implemented in the five other units in the campus dining service system.



'A place worth bragging about'**Light sees strength throughout University**

"This is a place worth bragging about," Timothy Light told the Board of Trustees Sept. 13 in his first remarks to the board as acting provost and vice president for academic affairs.

**Light**

"The breadth and stretch of this University truly merit its distinction as a national university," Light said. He referred to the recent announcement that WMU has for the seventh consecutive year been ranked among the nation's top 229 universities by U.S. News and World Report magazine.

He cited as "emblematic of what goes on here" the University being "on one of the foremost edges of helping to reduce health care costs by providing physician assistants and other allied health professionals."

He pointed to the Lee Honors College, "where I've taught now for four years and have students who are equal

to any I've had in any of the seven institutions where I've taught."

And he acknowledged as "absolutely outstanding" the University's many new doctoral programs.

"Certainly, we have challenges to meet," he said. "Any institution does, and we're going to work on them. But what I see throughout this place is a remarkable amount of strength, of which those associated with the University — especially you who are trustees and trustees who are alumni — can really feel proud."

Light, who became acting provost Aug. 5, has been a faculty member at WMU since 1991 and special assistant for international affairs to President Haenicke since 1993. A Kalamazoo native, he is a former provost of Kalamazoo College.

Light also acknowledged the help of "the people with whom I work most closely," Carol L. Stamm and Richard A. Wright, both associate vice presidents for academic affairs. "They are really outstanding people, and it's been a great pleasure to work with them and with the other vice presidents."

Board approves new doctoral and master's degrees

In order to keep pace with the professional needs of graduates, WMU is converting two of its popular degree programs.

The Board of Trustees Sept. 13 approved proposals to offer a doctor of philosophy degree in counseling psychology and a master of science degree in medicine. The new Ph.D. brings the number of doctoral programs available at WMU to 23, while the new M.S. brings the total of master's programs to 63.

In offering a Ph.D. in counseling psychology, WMU replaces its doctor of education (Ed.D.) in that field. The change will take effect immediately. The Ed.D. program has been offered since 1978 and has been fully accredited by the American Psychological Association since 1993. The APA approval will continue under the new program — in fact, the accrediting agency encouraged the conversion to the Ph.D. designation.

"This is the most widely accepted doctoral degree for professionals in our field," says Joseph R. Morris, interim chairperson of counselor education and counseling psychology. "Even though our current program is excellent, this new Ph.D. status will give us more credibility as a national recruiter of students and faculty."

Morris says over the past decade the counseling psychology program has evolved from emphasizing clinical services like counseling to also including a significant scientific research component. He says the challenge in establishing the new curriculum was to develop a program that maintains the strong practitioner base, while enhancing the research skills of students who may want to pursue a scientific approach to counseling psychology.

"Graduates have to be able to do both," he says. "With the new program they will have the skills to go into private practice or become a contributing member of an academic faculty by conducting research and acquiring grants."

The doctoral program in counseling psychology is one of 62 fully accredited counseling psychology programs in the nation. The doctoral degree will be one of two offered in Michigan. The only other APA accredited Ph.D. program in counseling psychology is offered by Michigan State University.

The new master of science degree in medicine eventually will replace the baccalaureate physician assistant program established at WMU in 1972. It is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs and allows graduates to sit for the Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination, required by most states for licensure to practice.

William H. Fenn, chairperson of physician assistant, says the conversion to a master's level program is a trend that can be seen in physician assistant programs throughout the state and nation. He says the curriculum currently required to produce a competent entry level clinician has forced the program to the graduate level.

Faculty members voting today on AAUP contract

Faculty members will vote on the proposed contract between the University and the WMU chapter of the American Association of University Professors from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, in the Faculty Lounge of the Bernhard Center.

Members of the faculty union's bargaining team and executive committee will be available throughout the day to answer questions about the contract. Copies of the contract are available for review at several campus locations, including the AAUP office at Montague House and on reserve at Waldo Library and at the Education Library in Sangren Hall.

Final terms of the contract were reached Sept. 13 after tentative agreement was announced Sept. 4. Bargaining teams for the union and the University met a total of 33 times, beginning May 7.

Trustees OK changes in Faculty Senate constitution

The Board of Trustees Sept. 13 approved several changes in the constitution and bylaws of the Faculty Senate, most intended to bring the document into line with current practice.

The changes include: bringing up to date the list of campus units eligible to elect representatives to the senate; communication between the senate's executive board and senate councils; the generation and distribution of council minutes; and the membership of one of the councils.

Reading marks start of new series designed to encourage publication by emerging poets

The Department of English will celebrate the launch of a program to encourage new poets during a reading Thursday, Sept. 26.

The first three poets to be published as part of the New Issues Press Poetry Series will read from their work at 8:30 p.m. in 3770 Knauss Hall. The reading and the reception that follows are free and open to the public.

The inaugural volumes in the series and their authors are: "The Deep Heart's Core Is a Suitcase" by Lisa Fishman; "A Hog Slaughtering Woman" by David Marlatt; and "Traveling at High Speeds" by John Rybicki. All three will be available for conversation and book signings after the reading.

The New Issues Press Poetry Series is the only one of its kind in the state and one of a handful in the country, according to Herbert S. Scott, English, who is editor of the series. Sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences, the series is intended to encourage promising poets who have not yet published a full-length manuscript of their work.

"The country is almost overrun with wonderful young poets," Scott said. "It's difficult for them to get their first book published because they're always in competition with established poets. Very few

contests are open to first book poets. With this series, we're hoping to give new writers a leg up in the profession by publishing their work."

The series already has received its first two publication grants. It is one of only 12 publishers nationwide and the only new press to be awarded a grant from the Eric Mathieu King Fund of the Academy of American Poets. In addition, the press has received a Region 15 grant from the Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo through a program of the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs that supports publication of southwestern Michigan poets.

The series has both a regional and a national component. The first three books mark the end of the initial regional component. Scott, in consultation with advisory editors Nancy Eimers, Mark Halliday, William Olsen and Jill Allyn Rosser, chose the books to be published. Eimers and Olsen are WMU faculty members and Halliday and Rosser are Ohio University faculty members. All four teach in Vermont College's master of fine arts degree program during the summer.

The first reading period for the national component runs from September through November of this year. Well-known poet Chase Twichell, professor of English at Princeton University and author of "The Ghost of Eden," is the guest juror. She will recommend up to three books for publication. Each book will be introduced by a nationally known writer or poet.

Forewords for the first books in the regional component have been written by three highly regarded poets and writers: Olsen for the Fishman book; Jack Driscoll for the Marlatt book; and Rick Bass for the Rybicki book.

All of the poets published in the first series have a Michigan connection. Fishman grew up in the state and now lives in New York City, where she is working on her doctoral dissertation. Marlatt lives on the farm where he was born near Richland. Rybicki, who grew up in Detroit, has lived and worked in several southwestern Michigan towns and also currently resides near Richland.

Design and production of the books was coordinated by WMU's Design Center, directed by Tricia Hennessy, art. Work was completed in consultation with WMU's New Issues Press and its managing editor, Thomas H. Seiler, English.

Board sets meetings

A schedule of 1997 meeting dates for the Board of Trustees was approved Sept. 13. All meetings are set for Fridays. The dates are: Jan. 17; March 14; April 25; June 27; July 25; Sept. 19; Oct. 31; and Dec. 19.



INTERNATIONAL KICKOFF — International students had a chance to meet students from their own country as well as those from other countries during an event Sept. 16 in the Bernhard Center. From left, Jinsheng Zhao, Tong Zhu and Guoxiang Wang, all graduate students from China, were among the more than 800 attending the International Student Kickoff. The program included a welcome by President Haenicke and presentations by members of the International Programming Club. Students then broke into groups by country to meet each other and plan activities. The event was coordinated by the Office of International Student Services and sponsored by the International Programming Club, Office of the President and Student Assessment Fee.

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Geographer's expertise on Aral Sea results in selection for USAID project in Uzbekistan

While the Iron Curtain was drawn across Central Asia, one WMU professor worked to alert the world to a growing environmental disaster there. Now he's been tapped to spend a year helping the area recover from environmental devastation and plan for the future.



Micklin

Philip P. Micklin, geography, who first alerted the West to the destruction of the Aral Sea, has accepted a year-long post in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, as resident policy adviser on water management and the environment to the nation's government. He will leave Sept. 26 for Central Asia and the work that is funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development through its Environmental Policy and Technology Project for the Newly Independent States.

The Aral Sea, once the world's fourth largest inland body of water, has now shrunk to less than half of its original size and 75 percent of its volume as the result of an ill-planned Soviet irrigation project. Micklin picked up hints of the disaster in the early 1980s while doing research on large-scale water transport schemes in the Soviet Union and in 1988 sounded the alarm in a cover story for Science magazine. Since then, he has served as a news source on the disaster for NBC's Nightly News and ABC's Primetime Live as well as the Washington Post, the New York Times, National Geographic and Scientific American.

In recent years, he has been involved in efforts to prevent further environmental damage through projects sponsored by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and USAID. Two years ago, he served as director of a NATO workshop in Tashkent that drew some of the world's leading environmental authorities to the region to discuss solutions to the complex environmental problems. He also is manager of a \$67,000 NATO grant for work in the region.

Micklin's newest role in Central Asia will take him to one of the five nations directly involved in the Aral Sea problem. Uzbekistan is the most populous of the five countries and the one that uses the most water. While saving the sea no longer seems a possibility — except in the long-term — because of the lack of water in the region, Micklin says good short- and medium-term environmental policy is needed to address the health and water quality problems.

"People are the number one concern of all of the major players in the region," Micklin says. "Their health, the quality of the drinking water and their medical needs are the primary concerns. After that, the goal is economic recovery with a focus on market mechanisms and development that doesn't damage the environment."

Desiccation of the Aral led to salinization of the region's soil, climate changes and major threats to the population's health as well as severe economic problems. Blowing salt from the dried Aral sea bed and pesticide pollution in areas irrigated with water diverted from the Aral have led to an increase in a number of health problems. Throat cancers and respiratory and eye ailments have risen dramatically in the

region and the infant mortality rate has climbed. A once-thriving fishing industry has been decimated.

Among the major concerns now are finding ways to get the region's five governments to cooperate more closely as they manage their international waters. Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan are the new nations through which the Aral and its tributaries flow.

Micklin says much of his year's work is yet to be determined, but his most difficult job will be gaining acceptance by the Uzbek officials in the government's environmental and water management ministries with whom he will work. Many already are wary, he notes, after recent years of Western experts traveling to the region to give advice, which Uzbek officials often view as unrealistic, patronizing or useless.

"They know me and that may help, but it doesn't ensure that things will go smoothly," Micklin says. "They have their own agenda."

He plans to listen to their needs, offer advice and try to deter them when he feels strongly that they are taking the wrong tack in dealing with an environmental issue.

Besides consulting with Uzbek officials, Micklin will arrange for local technical training and coordinate his and the USAID's efforts with other major organizations working in the area, such as the World Bank and the European Union.

Micklin, a faculty member at WMU since 1966, speaks and reads Russian, which remains the dominant language in much of Central Asia. He says his initial weeks in Tashkent will be spent dealing with the difficult tasks of finding housing, setting up an office and devising a plan of action.

Open house planned at new child care center

The Children's Place, the University's new child care center, will hold an open house to showcase its facilities from 3 to 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 23.

The facility is located at 2210 Wilbur St. on the lower level of the building that formerly housed St. Aiden's Chapel. The center, which provides day care to children between the ages of 2-1/2 and 9, will be open for members of the University community who want to walk through, meet the staff and get information on policies and schedules. Refreshments will be served.

For more information about the event, persons should call The Children's Place at 7-2277.

Service

These faculty and staff members are recognized for five, 10, 15, 20 and 35 years of service to the University in September:

35 years — William C. Morris, accountancy; and Malcolm H. Robertson, psychology.

20 years — Eva F. Blades, physical plant-building custodial and support services; Charon L. Carver, family and consumer sciences; Janice L. Dekker, community health services; Christin Fawley-Sehner, Valley I dining service; Gary Mathews, social work; and Mary Ann Vernia, physical plant-building custodial and support services.

15 years — Bernadette Ballard-Reid, Office of the President; Gus Breyman, continuing education; Jane L. Harrison, admissions; Sylvia R. Horton, Valley III dining service; J. Ileen McCord, continuing education; and Margaret J. Watson, University libraries.

10 years — Patricia Duzan, foreign languages and literatures; Shashanta James, student financial aid and scholarships; Nancy Kroes, University computing services; Vivian L. Locke, biological sciences; Keith Paul, physical plant-maintenance services; John Racine, University computing services; and Ellsworth H. Shriver, paper and printing science and engineering.

Five years — Janice Evans, physical plant-building custodial and support services; Sheila K. Johnson, Henry/Hoeckje/

On campus



the Administrative Professional Association. She also volunteers to talk with freshmen at luncheons sponsored by the Division of Minority Affairs. Off campus, she volunteers at her church, at the annual run sponsored by Borgess Medical Center, at the annual Kalamazoo Women's Festival and with the Red Cross. In her spare time, she enjoys doing aerobics and spending time with her daughter, a junior in WMU's nursing program, and her son, a freshman at John Carroll University in Ohio.

Human resources

TIAA-CREF will be sponsoring two workshops to help employees build a strong financial plan. The workshops will help you learn the essential financial techniques you need to design a plan that meets your particular needs and goals.

Workshop I, "Planning Retirement Income," is for those employees interested in planning ahead for retirement. Topics will include how much savings is enough, income options and flexibilities, strategies for combating inflation, tax considerations and minimum distribution. Three sessions of Workshop I will be offered to allow interested employees the opportunity to attend the one that best fits their schedule: 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 30; and 9 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2.

Workshop II, "A Mid-Career Checkup,"

is designed to help you determine whether your income and assets are being used most effectively to help you reach your goals. Mid-career employees are strongly encouraged to attend. Topics will include investment allocation, tax-saving ideas and building retirement security. Two sessions of Workshop II will be offered at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 1.

All sessions will take place in 242 Bernhard Center. Reservations can be made by calling Kris Karris at 1-800-842-2044. TIAA-CREF will also offer individual counseling sessions on Sept. 30, Oct. 1 and Oct. 2. Appointments can be made by calling Karris at the above number.

Media

Carolyn V. Lewis, political science, discusses women voters on "Focus," a five-minute interview produced by news services. "Focus" is scheduled to air at 6:10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 21, on WKPR-AM (1420). "Focus" is also used on a regular basis by WKZO-AM (590), WKMI-AM (1360) and several other radio stations around Michigan.

Obituary

Word has been received of the death July 7 of Emil J. Sokolowski, emeritus in marketing. He died at age 81 in Redwood City, Calif.

Sokolowski, who joined the WMU faculty in 1951, specialized in the area of purchasing. He was active in the Kalamazoo Valley Association of Purchasing Managers and the National Association of Purchasing Agents. He retired from the University in 1976.

Sokolowski earned his bachelor's degree from the Detroit Institute of Technology and his master's degree from the University of Michigan.

Exchange

FORSALE — Five-bedroom Portage two-story colonial, nearly 3,000 square feet of living space, large lot overlooking woods and creek at end of cul-de-sac. Two fireplaces, formal dining room, rec room, family room, three full baths, walkout basement, newer mechanics, air conditioning and kitchen appliances. \$143,900 or best offer. Call 7-5528 days or 353-0717 evenings.

Bigelow dining service; Senora Jones, physical plant-building custodial and support services; Charles E. Killingsworth, physical plant-maintenance services; Matthew A. Knewton, theatre; Debra Pye, physical plant-building custodial and support services; Janet M. Rice, Davis dining service; Denise M. Schoenfeld, physical plant-landscape services; and Merita L. Wilson, Center for Developmentally Disabled Adults.

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) **Custodian** (3 Positions), M-2, Physical Plant-Building Custodial and Support Services, 96/97-111, 9/17-9/23/96.
(C) **Systems Administrator** (.75 FTE;

30 Hours/Week), X-03, University Recreation Programs and Facilities, 96/97-114, 9/17-9/23/96.

(R) **Computer Technician**, X-03, University Computing Services, 96/97-115, 9/17-9/23/96.

(R) **Chairperson**, Executive Official, Art, 96/97-116, 9/17-9/23/96.

(N) **Research Assistant II** (Term Ends 8/31/97), P-03, Biological Sciences, 96/97-117, 9/17-9/23/96.

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.

(C) Conversion
(N) New
(R) Replacement
WMU is an EO/AA employer

Ministry forms study group

The United Campus Ministry is forming a faculty/staff study group this fall that will meet from noon to 1 p.m. Fridays in the Kanley Chapel social room.

The series of studies is titled "The Bible in Everyday Life" and will focus on the issue of inclusiveness in the family of faith. The first installment, "Religion and Racism — Do the Roots Run Too Deep?," will begin Friday, Sept. 27, and last six weeks. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch.

The United Campus Ministry is a cooperative ministry of the American Baptist Church, Christian Church (Disciples), Presbyterian Church and United Church of Christ. For more information, persons may call David Coffey at 7-4579 or e-mail him at david.coffey@wmich.edu.

Calendar

The master calendar maintained by news services for use in Western News is available through Gopher on the VMScluster. Currently, there are three calendars available: September events; October events; and future events, which run from November 1996 through December 1997. To view the calendars, type Gopher at the system prompt. At the next menu, choose 2. Western Michigan University, then choose 5. Campus Calendar. You will find options for 1. This Month's Events, 2. Next Month's Events and 3. Future Events.

Thursday, September 19

(thru 28) Hispanic Heritage Month cultural exhibit, third floor showcases, Waldo Library.
(and 20) Exhibition, painting by Bruce Richards, BFA candidate, Rotunda and South Galleries, East Hall, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; closing reception, Friday, Sept. 20, 5-8 p.m.
(thru 27) Exhibition, "Alma College 15th Annual Statewide Print Competition," Gallery II, Sangren Hall, weekdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
(thru 26) Exhibition, mixed media sculpture by Christine Boos, Chicago artist, Space Gallery, Knauss Hall, Mondays thru Thursdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
"Enhancing Teaching with Technology" program, "Using the Web in Teaching," Neil A. Pinney, political science, clock tower conference area, University Computing Center, noon-1 p.m.; to register call 7-5430.
Panel discussion on Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education grants, 157-158 Bernhard Center, noon-1:30 p.m.; for reservations call 7-8298.
"Gathering of Women," Faculty Dining Room, Bernhard Center Public Cafeteria, noon-1 p.m.
Doctoral oral examination and mathematics and statistics colloquium, "Statistical Graphics: Applications to the R and GR Methods in Linear Models," Mei Huang Wang, mathematics and statistics, Commons Room, sixth floor, Everett Tower, 4:10 p.m.; refreshments, 3:45 p.m.
Center for the Study of Ethics in Society lecture, "The Morality of Intimate Faculty-Student Relationships," Nicholas Dixon, philosophy, Alma College, 3750 Knauss Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, September 20

Center for the Study of Ethics in Society lecture, "The Adversary Method in Law and Philosophy," Nicholas Dixon, philosophy, Alma College, 204 Bernhard Center, 11 a.m.
Dance showing, Dalton Center Dance Studio B, noon.
Dedication of Stewart Tower, outdoors on the north side of the tower between Waldo Library and the Computing Center, 2 p.m.
*Volleyball, WMU vs. Miami University, University Arena, 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 21

*Volleyball, WMU vs. Ohio University, University Arena, 7 p.m.

Sunday, September 22

Men's soccer, WMU vs. the University of Michigan, WMU Soccer Complex, 2 p.m.

Monday, September 23

(thru 27) Exhibition, photography, Rotunda and South Galleries, East Hall, weekdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; closing reception, Friday, Sept. 27, 6-8 p.m.
Open house, The Children's Place Day Care Center, 2210 Wilbur St. (former St. Aidan's building), 3-6 p.m.

Tuesday, September 24

Physics colloquium, "Clouds of Gas Around Active Galaxies," Susan Simkin, physics and astronomy, Michigan State University, 1110 Rood Hall, 4 p.m.; refreshments, 2202 Everett Tower, 3:30 p.m.
"Rediscovering Latin America" lecture series, "Doing Business in the Mercosur Countries," Carol Sanchez, management, Grand Valley State University, Lee Honors College, 7 p.m.
*Performance, recording artist Bruce Springsteen, Miller Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
*Young Concert Artists Series concert, Gregory Turay, tenor, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, September 25

*Management development workshop, "The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People: An Introduction," Fetzer Center, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; to register call 7-3232.
School of Music Convocation Series concert, Gregory Turay, tenor, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 2 p.m.
Economics lecture, "Labor and Labor Markets During the Great Depression," Robert A. Margo, professor of economics, Vanderbilt University, 3760 Knauss Hall, 3 p.m.

Outstanding students sought for 'Who's Who'

The Office of Student Life is seeking nominations from faculty and staff members for the annual "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" program.

The program honors outstanding campus leaders for their scholastic and community achievements. Criteria for selection include academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extra-curricular activities and potential for continued success.

"This program is not like the high school 'Who's Who,' where if students agree to purchase a book they're in it," said Paul F. Iagnocco, student life. "For the collegiate

level 'Who's Who,' students must be endorsed by a faculty or staff member to be considered eligible for this prestigious award."

Faculty and staff members wishing to nominate a student are asked to consider only those with a 2.5 grade point average or above who will be graduating from any undergraduate or graduate degree program by August 1997.

Forms have been mailed to deans, chairpersons, directors, executive officials and managers. Nominations are due Friday, Sept. 27. For additional forms or more information, persons may contact Todd T. Hufford in the Office of Student Life at 7-2115.

Scholarship opportunities available through LHC

Faculty and staff members are being asked to encourage outstanding students to apply for a number of both WMU and external scholarship programs administered through the Lee Honors College.

Applications are now being accepted for the WMU Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities Award and the Seibert Undergraduate Research Travel Award. Forms for both are available through the honors college.

In addition, information and assistance in applying for a number of other scholarships are available through the college. The awards include the Rhodes Scholar-

ship, British Marshall Scholarship, Goldwater Scholarship, Truman Scholarship, Mellon Fellowship and Udall Scholarship.

Applications for these scholarships are first submitted to the honors college and then forwarded to the state or national level. For those awards that limit the number of applications, a local selection committee of faculty members nominates applicants to represent WMU. The honors college then assists the applicants in assembling their materials.

For more information, persons may contact the Lee Honors College at 7-3230.



SOUTHWESTFEST — WMU fans from Southwest Michigan braved the iffy weather to take part in the University's first "SouthwestFest" at the Sept. 14 football game. The celebration was designed to extend the successful "CommUniverCity" concept to communities across Southwest Michigan. Hyames Field featured a miniature version of the I-94/U.S.-131 layout with community tailgate tents located at appropriate spots along the grid. The village of Lawton was represented by, from left, Dan Pratley, superintendent of the Lawton Public Schools, residents Jerry and Kay Martin, Dave Cornish, village president, and Hank Grosel, plant manager for Welch's.

Volunteer Opportunities Fair, University Arena, 3-9 p.m.
Electrical and computer engineering seminar, "Some New Methods for Solving Differential Equations," Dean R Johnson, electrical and computing engineering, 3002 Kohrman Hall, 4 p.m.
Visiting Scholars and Artists Program lecture, "Institutional Analysis and Its Applications," Elinor Ostrom, the Arthur Bentley Professor of Political Science and the co-director of the Workshop on Political Theory and Policy Analysis at Indiana University, 2302 Sangren Hall, 8 p.m.

Thursday, September 26

"Gathering of Women," Faculty Dining Room, Bernhard Center Public Cafeteria, noon-1 p.m.
Master class, Horacio Gutierrez, piano, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 2 p.m.
Hispanic Heritage Month panel discussion, "The Meaning of Hispanic Heritage Month," 242 Bernhard Center, 7 p.m.
Reading to launch the New Issues Press Poetry Series, Lisa Fishman, David Marlatt and John Rybicki, 3770 Knauss Hall, 8:30 p.m.
*Admission charged

Volunteer fair intended to spark involvement

Give blood. Register to vote. Volunteer to help a community agency. Do whatever it takes to get involved. That's the message of a Wednesday, Sept. 25, Volunteer Opportunity Fair that will take place on campus.

WMU and the Voluntary Action Center of Greater Kalamazoo will join forces to sponsor the event, scheduled for 3 to 9 p.m. in the University Arena. The fair is designed to offer students and citizens from across the community a comprehensive look at volunteer opportunities in agencies in the Greater Kalamazoo area. The event is expected to attract up to 1,000 people and 110 community organizations.

The fair, an annual event at WMU since 1989, has been popular for students seeking to make volunteer connections in the community, according to Terri M. Benton-

Ollie, who coordinates student volunteer services in the Lee Honors College. This year's expanded fair features a number of changes in addition to the joint sponsorship. The University Arena site was chosen to accommodate more booths than in previous years, and the event also will incorporate an American Red Cross blood drive and a voter registration booth run by the 60th District Service Office. The blood drive will run from 2 to 8 p.m. and voter registration hours will coincide with the fair's 3 to 9 p.m. schedule.

"This year we wanted to do everything we could to find ways to help people from all over the community understand that there are all kinds of ways to volunteer, whether it's giving blood, registering to vote or making a commitment to a community agency," Benton-Ollie says.

For more information, persons should contact Benton-Ollie at 7-3230.

Noted political analyst here as Visiting Scholar

One of the leading institutional analysts and theorists on collective action and common property will present a lecture on "Institutional Analysis and Its Applications" Wednesday, Sept. 25.

Elinor Ostrom, the Arthur Bentley Professor of Political Science and the co-director of the Workshop on Political Theory and Policy Analysis at Indiana University, will speak at 8 p.m. in 2302 Sangren Hall.

Ostrom is expected to discuss the role of institutions in political processes, how they impinge upon and influence behavior, and how we determine their effects.

The author of several articles and 13 books, Ostrom is an internationally recognized expert on institutional analysis and theory. She is the current president of the American Political Science Association and past president of the Midwest Political Science Association and the Public Choice Society.

Ostrom's lecture is part of WMU's Visiting Scholars and Artists Program and is being co-sponsored by the Department of Political Science, the Institute of Government and Politics and the School of Public Affairs and Administration.

Grants

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researchers, Thompson and his staff have been organizing Washington, D.C., visits for deans, department chairpersons and, most recently, individual faculty researchers. During the trips, the visitors get a chance to interact with the people who run some of the top funding agencies and get a feel for some of the issues and topics that will most interest them in coming years.

"That kind of contact makes all the difference," Thompson says.

In his report to the board, Thompson made special note of increased grant activity in several areas of the University. Funding to the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences rose by a spectacular 60 percent this year, thanks to the \$6 million in aviation funding. Funding to the College of Arts and Sciences, which represents nearly 21 percent of the grant total this year, rose by more than 11 percent over last year's figures. And the College of Health and Human Services, with grants representing more than 17 percent of the total, experienced a 25 percent increase in the number of awards its researchers received this year.