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The significant contributions student employees make to the University will be recognized during the 11th annual Student Employee Appreciation Week, Feb. 10-14.

The goal of the week is to note the volume of work done by students on campus and to recognize the many things students know they “make a world of difference.”

During the fall and winter semesters, the university employs more than 14,000 students, and, throughout the year, the University will employ some 7,000 students.

“John Kelly-Albertson, student employment referred to as “Student Employee of the Year,” the University for the 1996-97 academic year. She pointed out that student employees range from $5.03 per hour to more than $10 per hour, and the average student payroll is more than $27,252.

In “many cases, the first contact a person has with the University is through a student employee,” Kelly-Albertson says, “whether it is answering the phone or greeting a visitor to an office.”

As in years past, the student employees at the referral service offer appreciation certificates for supervisors to present during the week. Those who would like to obtain a certificate should contact an employment services staff member to fax the names to the student employment referral service at 7-2809. A list of nominees will be made available to recognize student employees also is available.

In addition, the office is sponsoring two workshops: “Raising the Bar: Supervisor’s Program” and “The Supervisor’s Development.”

To register, see the calendar on page four of this week’s and next week’s Western News for dates, locations and hours.

Stock to explore role of emotional intelligence in improving work environment, performance

A public presentation about how the emotional activities of managers and employees affect performance and quality-of-life issues within organizations will be offered this week, March 3-7, at the Fetzer Center.

The free program, called “Emotional Intelligence: Restoring Balance in a Chaotic Environment,” will be offered with a continental breakfast at 7:30 a.m. Presentation will follow from 8 to 9 a.m. by Byron Stock, professor in the Department of Management and Development.

In his presentation, Stock will discuss emotional intelligence and its role in the workplace. He will present a model of emotional intelligence and discuss factors that influence emotional intelligence in the workplace.

The sign shop, which is responsible for various aspects of the University, will help participants recognize symptoms of low blood pressure and blood pressure levels. The sign shop is scheduled to be open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Blood pressure screeners to travel to 12 sites

Take this message to heart: Check your blood pressure.

That’s the theme of WMU’s annual “Stroke Awareness” campaign. The University will offer free blood pressure screenings at 12 convenient locations over the next two weeks, beginning Monday, Feb. 10.

This program, sponsored by the Employee Health Center’s Office of Health Promotion and Education, offers the opportunity for free blood pressure assessments and preventive education to faculty, staff and students.

The goal is to help members of the University community prevent unnecessary heart attacks, strokes and other disabilities that may result from high blood pressure.

Approximately 30 percent of all adults over the age of 18 have high blood pressure. But studies show only about 54 percent are aware of the condition and only about 54 percent are aware of the condition and are treated for it.

To sign up, call 7-3669 for up-to-date information or contact an employment services staff member.

Economist to discuss lessons from Depression

“Understanding the Great Depression: Lessons for the 1990s,” a one-hour lecture to be presented Wednesday, Feb. 12.

Stephen G. Cecchetti, professor of economics at Ohio State University and research associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research, will speak at 3 p.m. in 3760 Kipnis Hall. He also will lead a morning seminar for professional economists and graduate students.

The free talk is part of the Economics Department’s 33rd annual guest lecture series titled “The Economics of the Great Depression.” The year-long series focuses on various facets of the worldwide economic hard times that began in 1929.

Cecchetti is expected to discuss how economic theory applies to different episodes of the 1930s. He will provide some insights for today’s economists on how to learn from what happened during that period and use the knowledge to make better monetary policy today.

Human resources

“Substance Abuse in the Workplace,” the Department of Human Resources brown bag series, is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 12, has been postponed to a date yet to be determined.

The rest of the brown bag series will continue on schedule. The next session will be Wednesday, Feb. 19, when David A. Glenn and Jewell M. Streit, legal and compliance affairs, present “Avoiding Sexual Harassment Problems.” Call 7-3625 to register.

On campus

RENOVATION OPERATION — One look around David Bonsteel’s office tells you he’s a carpenter by trade. The table, the shelves and the picture frames are all crafted by Bonsteel, who joined the physical plant staff in 1982 as a carpenter, now is supervising general contracting services. He and his staff of two electricians, two carpenters, a painter and several students have been renovating projects throughout campus. He spends his days making estimates, coordinating jobs, setting up sites and interacting with clients. Some of the recent projects in which his “multi-craft shop” has been involved include installing a new ceiling in the payroll office, repairing light fixtures and replacing safety locks on dining services equipment and painting and carpeting the Tate Center. The sign shop, which has been making and installing the new signs that comply with Americans with Disabilities Act, also is part of Bonsteel’s operation. “It’s like the different challenges I face day by day,” he says, “I meet a lot of interesting people.” In addition to woodworking, Bonsteel enjoys spending his free time fish- and-feeding and working yardwork.

Cotton named to state board


Cotton also is serving as secretary of the organization for 1997. The association’s goal is to provide a variety of services and programs to enhance skills in the economic development profession.

Zest for Life

If you have difficulty saying “no,” feel easily hurt or taken advantage of by others, then you might want to sign up for the two-semester workshop on “Increasing Assertiveness and Positive Thinking.”

It will provide tools to reduce self-defeating thoughts and increase your ability to express your rights and communicate your choices and limits. The first workshop meets from 5:15 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Feb. 11, 13, in 2120 Sincere Health Center. A second workshop will be offered Tues-day and Thursday, March 18 and 20.

Zest for Life also will offer the one-session workshop, “Understanding and Managing Depression,” from 5:15 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Feb. 18 or March 25, in 2120 Sincere Health Center. This workshop will help participants recognize symptoms of depression in themselves or others they care about.

Call 7-3363 for more information or to register. Advance registration is required for both workshops.

Media

Michael S. Pritchard, philosophy, discusses characters education on “Focus,” a five-minute interview produced by the Office of Marketing, Public Relations and Communications. “Focus” is scheduled to air at 6:10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, on WKPR-AM (1420). “Focus” is also used on a regular basis by WKZO-AM (590), WVU FM (88.5) and several other radio stations around Michigan.

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Battle Creek dig (Continued from page one)

Shepard came to Battle Creek in 1834, from Georgia, but he was quickly outbid by the Shepard family and those who lived in the middle of the 19th century, he owned 120 acres of land on which was situated one of the first brick residences in Battle Creek and a number of utilitarian outbuildings that included barns and outhouses and possibly a hen house, smokehouse and spring house.

“We’re getting mixed signals on Shepherd’s position in the community,” Nassaney says. “While the home he constructed had very expensive features and was in a prime location, he does not seem to have been one of the area’s major business or community leaders. The majority of the housing available to students as well as other vendors, such as the one-stop shopping center in the Bernhard Center Jan. 23. The Office of Off-Campus Life sponsored a housing fair that featured the landlords who control the majority of the housing available to students as well as other vendors, such as the Well House Apartments and telephone service providers. Checking out the Action Investment Management Corp. apartments were, from left, Kate Enk-Menk veld, a freshman from Grand Rapids, and Joy A. Kenner, a senior from Spring Lake, with representative Marilyn Meyer and Albert W. Laaksen, off-campus life.

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Wednesday, February 12
*Student recital, Adam Liebert, violin, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.

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Visiting Scholars and Artists Program lectures by Paul Farber, professor of history, Harvard Medical School, and infectious disease fellow, Brigham and Women’s Hospital: “Inequalities and Infections: An Anthropology of Epidemics,” 3301 Knapp Hall, 10 a.m.; and “Women, Poverty and AIDS,” 3508 Knapp Hall, 7:30 p.m.

American African History Month presentation, “Paul Robeson,” Mixed Blood Theatre, North Ballroom, Bernhard Center, 11 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
School of Music recital series concert, Jan- Erik Gustafsson, cello, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 2 p.m.
Economics lecture, “Understanding the Great Depression: Lessons for Current Policy,” Stephen G. Cecchetti, professor of economics, Ohio State University, 3760 Knapp Hall, 3 p.m.

Biological sciences seminar, “Development and Structure of Milkweed Latexers,” Kathryn Wilson, assistant professor of biology, Indiana/Purdue University, 5270 McCracken Hall, 4 p.m.

Holography expert to present lecture, exhibit

Artist Douglas E. Tyler, a specialist in holography, will present a slide lecture on his work at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, in the Dalton Center Recital Hall.

A reception will follow in the Dalton Center North Ballroom, North Ballroom, Bernhard Center, noon-1 p.m.; and brown bag session for doctoral students, 11 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Tyler is president of Dimensional Imaging Consultants Inc. of Niles, which presents a variety of programs and exhibitions on holography. Besides holograms, the exhibit will feature photographs of large-scale site installations, models and recent work concerned with the issues of gender that utilize the multi-media capabilities of the galaxies.

The recipient of fellowships from both the National Endowment for the Arts and the Michigan Council for the Arts, Tyler also is a professor of art at St. Mary’s College in South Bend. His work is part of the permanent collection of the Smithsonian Institution and several leading museums.

Exhibit hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturdays. The events are being coordinated by the Art Department and sponsored by the Visiting Scholars and Artists Program and the Plaza Arts Circle.