Sky Broncos hope to fly high in national competition here

Hundreds of the best collegiate pilots in the nation will descend on Battle Creek April 29-May 3 as WMU plays host to the National Intercollegiate Flying Association’s annual championship.

The event, dubbed Safecon 1997, will attract 32 college aviation teams and will take place at the W. K. Kellogg Airport, the new home to WMU’s School of Aviation Sciences. Young aviators, their coaches and families are expected to number about 1,000 and will begin arriving for pre-competition practice April 23. Also on hand for the event will be nearly 100 volunteer judges as well as aviation industry representatives who will attend to sponsor seminars, recruit pilots and show their wares.

“This is college aviation’s version of March Madness,” says Joseph H. Dunlap, director of the School of Aviation Sciences. “For collegiate flight programs, reaching the NIFA championship is the equivalent of being selected for the NCAA basketball tournament.

The skies over Battle Creek will be filled with planes for the entire week as 100 small competition aircraft from the various schools carry student-pilots working to ensure their group earns the title of top college team in the nation. The 32-team field is the largest ever to compete for the national title. Teams qualify for the national championship by competing in one of NIFA’s 11 regional competitions, with either the top two or three teams earning a berth, depending on the size of the region.

“The folks in Battle Creek will know we’re there,” says Mark A. Serbenski, coach of the Sky Broncos, WMU’s precision flight team. “All they’ll have to do is look up in the sky. It will be abuzz over Battle Creek.”

WMU’s Sky Broncos are among the competition favorites, having captured top three finishes for five consecutive years. The Sky Broncos placed second to the University of North Dakota last year when the NIFA championship was in Daytona Beach. The last time the Sky Broncos acted as host team was in 1983, the same year they last won the national championship.

“Our chances are very good,” Serbenski says. “We have a seasoned team that performed at regionals better than any team I’ve ever coached — even better than last year’s team and it was very, very good.”

Besides-performing her duties at North Dakota, other teams expected to do well include Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Ohio State University and the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Flight events include short field landings, precision off field, navigation and message drop. Ground events include aircraft recognition and computer accuracy as well as pre-flight checks to find mechanical flaws rigged by examiners. A simulated navigation event and a simulated flight event are also part of the ground competition.

The competition will officially begin Tuesday, April 29, with a 4:30 p.m. general student briefing which will be followed by the first ground event. The competition will conclude with a Saturday evening banquet planned for about 8 p.m. at the Kellogg Arena. Team and individual awards will be announced for the first time at the banquet.

For members of the public interested in watching the competition, Serbenski recommends the Thursday through Saturday flight events at the airport. Thursday and Friday flight events will begin at 7:30 a.m. and run until 5 p.m. each day, weather permitting. The final flight event is set for 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. That event is the message drop, which has its roots in World War I and the first use of airplanes in warfare. The event involves dropping a "message" as close to a determined point on the field as possible. There is no charge to attend the competition.

Each day of the competition, a mini trade show also will be available for viewing at the airport. A total of 45 booths will be exhibited along with military aircraft manufactured by Piper, Cessna and Mooney and a U.S. Sky Force A-10. A total of 14 airframes of flight communication manufacturers also will be on display and national pilot and recruiting organizations will be on hand to provide career assistance for student flyers.

(Bronco sculpture to be installed near fieldhouse)

Supporters of WMU and its Broncos will soon have a new point of pride on the campus.

A one and a quarter life-size bronze sculpture of a bronco is being installed in the area between Read Fieldhouse and the Student Recreation Center. The sculpture will be dedicated in a public ceremony at 3 p.m. Friday, April 25, at the site or in the fieldhouse in case of rain.

The 1,800-pound, 9.5-by-14-foot sculpture features a Thoroughbred horse in the act of jumping. The project to acquire and dedicate the sculpture is the result of a fund-raising campaign and a gift of $4,000 from a WMU staff member at the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. A monument she designed was located to the state of Georgia and installed at Stone Mountain Park. Its permanent destination is the Bush Presidential Library in College Station, Texas.

The piece is by Verry Goodnight, an artist from Santa Fe, N.M. Her work was first noticed by a WMU staff member at the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. A monument she designed was located to the state of Georgia and installed at Stone Mountain Park. Its permanent destination is the Bush Presidential Library in College Station, Texas.

The work WMU officials chose originally was designed for a resort in Naples, Fla. It was part of a set of aircraft running in a natural environment. The artist made six casts of each horse, and WMU selected to purchase one of a jumping horse.

Speaking during the dedication ceremony will be Haenicke; Kathy B. Beuerregard, senior associate director of intercollegiate athletics; and Robert G. Miller, president of the WMU Alumni Association.

Powerful presentations possible

The Fetzer Center’s 250-seat Kirsch Auditorium has a new high-tech look after a recent renovation project. Lighting and audio-visual equipment installed when the center was built in 1983 have been replaced by state-of-the-art technology. A new quartz lighting system and new stage lighting have improved the brightness in the facility. An operator at the lectern in the front of the auditorium can bring the lights up and down as a presentation is taking place. The lectern also serves as the “command center” for the new audio-visual equipment, which incorporates the use of video, computer software, slides, connections to the University’s mainframe computer and the Internet, overhead transparencies, audio, teleconference up-links and downlinks and EducABLE, the University’s cable television system. The new NEC video projector is one of the first three in the country in use. The old glass rear-projection screens has been replaced with a fabric screen that not only improves the image but also provides a clearer picture for the full seating area. “This equipment will allow us to provide our students with state-of-the-art visual presentation needs,” said Rick Lattimore, left, Fetzer Center, pictured here going over some of the features with Ted J. Petropolis, Fetzer Center and Bernhard Center. “Presentation needs have evolved to a higher technical level and now we’re able to provide our clients with one of the most technically advanced facilities in Southwest Michigan.” (Photo by Neil Rankin).

Did you know?

• WMU’s School of Aviation Sciences in the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences offers the only four-year comprehensive aviation program in Michigan.

• The Sky Bronco, WMU precision flight team, are among the favorites to win this year’s National Intercollegiate Flying Association championship April 29-May 3 at W. K. Kellogg Airport in Battle Creek. They have captured top three finishes for five consecutive years.

• WMU last played host to the flying championship in 1983 — the same year the Sky Broncos last finished first.

Scott selected as new dean of the Graduate College

Shirley Clay Scott, chairperson of English, has been selected as the new dean of the WMU Graduate College.

Her appointment, effective July 1, 1997, will be recommended by President Haenicke for approval at the April 25 Board of Trustees meeting.

She would replace Rollin G. Douma, who plans to return to the faculty.

Scott has been a faculty member since 1970 and chairperson of English since 1988. From 1985 to 1987, she was director of graduate studies for the department. During her tenure as chairperson, the department developed and launched its Ph.D. program and has grown substantially in both student numbers and stature.

Those of us who have the privilege of knowing Shirley personally treasure her very fine mind, her good humor and accu-rate wit, and her deep concern for both the University and all its family,” said Provost Timothy Light. “It will be a benefit for the entire University family and I am confident that Shirley’s success and many talents will now be directed throughout the graduate programs of the institution.”

WMU currently offers 63 master’s degree programs, two specialist’s degree programs and 23 doctoral degree programs. This past fall, the University enrolled 5,896 graduate students — 23 percent of total enrollment. WMU ranks fourth among Michigan public universities in graduate enrollment.

In addition to teaching literature courses in the Department of English, Scott has taught Latin and Greek courses in the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures. She received WMU’s Alumni Teaching Excellence Award in 1986. In 1992, she was honored with the Woman of the Year Award from WMU’s Commission on the Status of Women.

Scott’s publications include a number of papers on contemporary writers, the epic tradition and British Romantic poets. Her scholarship has been supported over the years by fellowships sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities at the University of Chicago, Yale University, the City University of New York and Princeton University. Scott earned bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees from Kent State University.
Researchers team up with schools to improve sportsmanship

Eight local high schools from the Kalamazoo Valley Athletic Conference are teaming up with the University in a four-year research project designed to improve sportsmanship.

Directed by Jody A. Brylinsky, health, physical education, and recreation, and Debra S. Berkey, chairperson of the department, physical education and recreation, the project was initiated by athletic directors within the conference who came to WMU for its expertise.

"Administrators came to us and said they'd like to do more than what was being done in terms of enhancing sportsmanship and good sport within their conference," Berkey says. "They originally wanted to do a one-day workshop, but we convinced them that if they really wanted to make a permanent change it would take more than one day and perhaps an entire year."

Brylinsky notes sportsmanship has taken on increasing importance in school districts throughout the nation as new research alarmingly shows that the longer students are involved in sports, the less they are able to reason morally. Couple that with the mass media attention heaped on characters like Chicago Bulls' "bad boy" Dennis Rodman or coaches who view yelling and swearing as the way to success, and it's no wonder that this year's research project is designed to help students gain a better understanding of what constitutes good sportsmanship.

The four-year effort will begin with a day-long conference at the start of every fall semester where 30 students and 20 athletic directors from all eight schools will gather on the WMU campus to discuss sportsmanship issues and develop strategic plans outlining what they'd like to achieve in their individual schools.

Newspapers will take part annually and the mix will include an equal number of boys and girls athletes and non-athletes, spanning the ninth through 12th grades.

"There will be more than 160 kids involved each year, so in a four-year time span, a significant portion of the community will have had specific training in sportsmanship and they would have made contact with kids in other schools," Brylinsky says. "It's the Olympic idea that if we can get people together and learn to play sports the right way, we'll be part of a better community as well."

In fall 1996, nearly 200 high school students came to WMU for the inaugural conference and a number of staff from each of the eight high schools will gather on the WMU campus to discuss sportsmanship issues and develop strategic plans outlining what they'd like to achieve in their individual schools.

"Sport has the power to do so much good," Berkey says. "We're hoping to do more than what was being done during the conference. "That's why it's important to sportsmanship building activities in our program."

From left, Ramirez recorded an afternoon 12th grade program during the April 11 celebration with assistance from Gaudencio Castillo, right, and Denny Bonsall, center.

Music for the ceremonies will be performed by the Western Michigan University Band, directed by Stephen D. Grugin, music. The national anthem and the alma mater will be sung by the WMU Choral Union, directed by Ryan J. Powell, director of Choral Activities. The Sinfonia professional music fraternity. The graduates will be welcomed as new alumni of "WMU University" by Robert G. Miller, president of the WMU Alumni Association. President Haemcke will preside over the ceremonies.

"In giving the invocation and benediction during the ceremonies will be: Pastor Steven A. Kubuschok of Trinity Lutheran Church of Kalamazoo at 9 a.m.; Father Kenneth Schmitt of St. Thomas More Parish in Kalamazoo at 10 a.m.; and the Rev. J. Louis Felton of the Galilee Missionary Baptist Church of Kalamazoo at 2 p.m.

"The special guest speaker of the evening is Suzanne M. Asbucht, will be receiving her bachelor of music degree in music therapy, summa cum laude, during this ceremony.

Tickets are required for the ceremonies. Each participating graduate is eligible to receive up to four guest tickets. Inquiries regarding additional tickets should be directed to the Office of the Registrar after April 4.

Guests without tickets may view the ceremonies on a large-screen television in 3512 Knauss Hall. They will also air live on Channel 36 of EduCABLE, the University's cable television system, and on channel 30 of KalamaZoo Community Access television.

University video services is providing on-air footage to persons who purchased videotapes of each of the three ceremonies. Orders may be placed by calling 7-3003. The tapes are $20 each.

Nigerian doctor to present ethics center lecture at 'K

Owens Wiwa, the brother of a Nigerian activist who was hanged after protesting the actions of a multinational oil company, will speak Monday, April 21, at Kalamazoo College.

Wiwa, a medical doctor from Nigeria, will deliver the keynote address in the Leland C. Frank Theatre of the Light Fine Arts Building. His address is being sponsored by WMU's Center for Social Justice and the college's African studies department.

Wiwa is the brother of Ken Saro-Wiwa, a physician for the people who was hanged along with eight fellow activists in November 1995. While the hangings are still under review, the Ogoni people claim that this year the trials are being conducted in a manner similar to those of the executions condemned by world leaders and human rights organizations.

Wiwa is hanged for speaking out against the environmental damage to the Niger Delta, where the Shell Oil Co. has been drilling for more than 30 years. Through his medical practice, Wiwa has seen firsthand the effects the movement has had on the Ogoni people. He has treated victims of environmental-related illness as well as hunger due to the ongoing military oppression in Nigeria.

As a prelude to the lecture, the documentary film, "The Delta Force," will be shown at 9 p.m. Thursday, April 17, in the recital hall of the Light Fine Arts Building. The film will provide an opportunity for persons to purchase tickets and the lecture is free and open to the public.

Board to meet April 25

The University Board of Trustees is scheduled to meet Friday, April 25. Times and places of the committee meetings and the full board meeting were not available at Western News press time. All meetings are open to the public.

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This is the last Western News of the winter semester. The News will be published only every other Wednesday and summer when classes are in session. The first issue of the spring semester will be published May 6.

Teleconference scheduled


It will run from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the Science Building room 3512 and in the third floor of the University Computing Center and in the Walhalla Commons in 111 University Union.

The teleconference will enable participants to examine recent court and legislative decisions and impact stricter enforcement, showing how these decisions affect women, minorities and the well-being of the entire campus population.

The event is being sponsored at WMU by the Office of Affirmative Action and the Office of Faculty Development Services. To register, call 7-3505, send e-mail to maryann.bowman@wmich.edu or fax 7-6048.
Acclaimed writers to present workshops, readings

Some of the country’s most acclaimed poets and fiction writers will participate in a festival of workshops, readings and panels during the University’s Third Coast Writing Conference this Saturday through Monday, May 1-3.

The faculty for this year’s conference includes University faculty and the Project Tiptop Visiting Poets and Editors. Regional Gibbons and Alane Rollings as well as fiction writers Howard Norman, Ellen Akins, Joshua Henkin and Laura Reginald Gibbons and Alane Rollings as poets Jane Shore, Debra Allbery, Ellen Akins, Joshua Henkin and Laura Reginald Gibbons and Alane Rollings as poets and fiction writers will participate in panels on improving their craft.

A character and play no one has ever seen performed. This fall, both English and theater students will be able to enroll in a new theater course called “Improvisational Playwriting.” The class will be taught by playwright Deborah Ann Percy and will combine English literature with theater. Students will be allowed to collaborate in creating new theater pieces that may result in full stagings.

Landis earns awards for academic achievement

Theresa J. Landis, University recreation coordinator, was recently awarded two honors for her work in the fields of recreation and education. She has won an Outstanding Achievement Award in Research in the 48th annual National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association annual meeting in Louisville, Ky. In addition to her research at WMU, she has also worked with athletes with disabilities and has written articles on the use of humor for burn-burning. Performing will work with scripts in hand and without props or scenery.

Children’s Places offer themes for campers

Children can enroll for the entire summer or for selected weekly sessions. The fee is $74 per week for full-time or $70 per week for part-time. Parents can also choose to pay for more than one child and for paying at least two weeks in advance. For more information, persons may call 7-2577.

Jobs

The following list of vacancies is currently being posted through the Job Opportunities Program. The information on the Job Opportunity Program and vacancies available to external applicants. The form replaces the previously used employee questionnaire and is available to employees and the public.

Web watch

The online change of local address and phone form is a quick and easy way for WMU students living off campus to update their local address and telephone number. Younger students in residence halls are automatically updated. To use the change of local address form, students need a valid student VMS account. When using the new online form, students will be asked to enter their VMS account name and password before they can make any changes. To find the new online form, go to the “Online Campus Directories” page.

On campus

The Kalamazoo and West Michigan Web pages have been completely updated and now includes helpful links to several directories of Kalamazoo and West Michigan Web sites. Using these directories, you can find Web pages for area businesses, art and entertainment, sports, government and other organizations.

http://www.wmich.edu/wmu/directories.html

http://www.wmich.edu/wmich/kalamazooh.html
**Calendar**

The master calendar maintained by the Office of Marketing, Public Relations and Communications indicates the availability of information through the Web site, YourWMU. Currently, there are three calendars available: Academic; Spring Events; and future events, which run from March through June. To view the calendars, type Geiger at the address above. To access the calendars in connection with Exhibit, "Portraits of Multiracial Families," Lee Honors College, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Exhibition: Portraits of Multiracial Families,** photographs by Gigi Kaeser and paintings by BFA candidate Scott Kuzma, Rotunda and South Gallery Hall, East Hall, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; reception, Friday, April 18, 5-8 p.m.

Exhibition: contemporary painting and prints by new art faculty members Cat Crockhet, Charles LoVerme and Jan Reeves, Space Gallery, Knabbs Hall, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

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**Western Michigan University, then 5 Campus Calendar. You will find options for the Month’s Events, 2 Month’s Events and 3 Future Events. The calendars also are available through WMU’s home page on the World Wide Web under University Information.

**Thursday, April 17**

*Management development program. Interaction Management: A Refresher for Prior participants in recent WMU Study Travel to South Africa. Thomas K. Kostrzewa, political science, Faculty Dining Room, Bernhard Center, noon.

*Ethics in Society panel discussion, “Uses of Standardized Testing.” M.A. candidate Honore Lee and paintings by BFA candidate Scott Kuzma, Rotunda and South Gallery Hall, East Hall, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; reception, Friday, April 18, 5-8 p.m.

Panel discussion in connection with exhibit, "Portraits of Multiracial Families," Lee Honors College, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

*Baseball, WMU vs. Michigan State University, Hyames Field, 3 p.m.

*Mathematics and statistics colloquium, “A Robust Estimate for an Autoregressive Time Series,” James Jeffers, Department of Mathematics, Commons Room, sixth floor, Everett Tower, 4-10 p.m.; refreshments, 3-4 p.m.

*Student recital, Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 5 p.m.

*Student recital, Andrew Schnurr, double bass/jazz, Dalton Center Multi-Media Room, 6 p.m.

Center for the Study of Ethics in Society panel discussion, "Uses of Standardized Testing in the Context of School Reform," 212 Bernhard Center, 3-4 p.m.; to register call 7-3223.

*W. A. Reuther University Theatre production, “Amaudus,” Shaw Theatre, 8 p.m.

**Friday, April 18**

*(And 19) Softball doubleheader, WMU vs. the University of Toledo, Ebert Field: April 18, 2 p.m.; and April 19, noon.

*Statistics and mathematics colloquium, "Estimating IBNR Reserves with Robust Statistics," Daniel Cheung, doctoral candidate, Commons Room, sixth floor, Everett Tower, 3 p.m.; refreshments, 2:30 p.m.

*Men’s tennis, WMU vs. the University of Akron, Sorenson Courts, 4 p.m.

*Performance, Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra, Miller Auditorium, 8 p.m.

*(And 19) Concert, New Sounds Festival ‘97, music composed by students, Dalton Center Multi-Media Room, 8 p.m.

**Saturday, April 19**

*Women’s track, Central Collegiate Conference Championships, Knauss Hall, 7:30 a.m.; admission charged.

*African studies brown bag seminar, “Race and Public Policy in Democratic South Africa: A View of Recent WMU Study Travel to South Africa,” Thomas K. Kostrzewa, political science, Faculty Dining Room, Bernhard Center, noon.

*Film screening: "How They Influence Perceptions of Diverse Groups," Wesley Foundation, noon.

**Sunday, April 20**

*Plaque unveiling, "The Saturn Difference - Donald W. Hudler," dentistry building, 10 a.m.; to register call 7-3232.

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**April 25, 5-7 p.m.**

*Admission charged

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From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, May 1, WMU also will be offering an aviation education workshop for about 100 students, teachers and counselors from high schools across Southwest Michigan. In addition to watching the NIFA competition and touring the exhibits, participants will have an opportunity to operate flight simulators and will attend seminars covering basic flight information and aviation careers. Also, the Satellite Training University aviation programs will be introduced to the students through a slide show. The day’s activities are funded through a grant from WMU from the Michigan Space Grant Consortium.

Construction on WMU’s Battle Creek Airport continues to add space and student use. The school has added new fueling stations and an additional hangar building, a project that will be completed by the end of the spring semester. The hangar will have more than 70,000 square feet of space for student aviators and will house state-of-the-art flight training and maintenance equipment.

WMU’s School of Aviation Sciences in Kalamazoo is one of only four-year comprehensive aviation programs in Michigan. WMU students are enrolled in four of its aviation programs.

**Sportsmanship (Continued from page two)**

While pinpointing the factors influencing good behavior, Brylinsky says research on ethics and moral reasoning shows that there hasn’t been a lot of success in making these behavioral changes. She hopes this new approach will change that pattern, as it involves not only athletes and coaches, but fans and school administrators.

“There’s so much working against the athlete, a coach or even a parent who wants to do the right thing,” she says. “In order to make any real change, we have to take a large approach and build a school environment. This model allows us to do that. There’s no way someone’s going to be a good sport unless that community reinforces and enables those people to be good sports.”

As the schools are going through the process of building good sportsmanship within their districts, WMU researchers will be observing games and other events to note behavioral changes. If the process appears to work, Brylinsky says the research team may suggest this systematic approach be used in other schools.

“Bottom line is the whole school can begin to benefit if it has a better sportsmanship program,” she says, “Nobody wants to go to a game and hear four-letter words being shouted across the gym.”

**Gesink honored with award**

John G. Gesink, electrical and computer engineering, was chosen by WMU’s chapter of Theta Tau to receive its third annual Outstanding Faculty Award.

Gesink is the author “in recognition of outstanding faculty who present engineering concepts clearly, provide extraordinary assistance, motivate students to excel and teach with enthusiasm.”

Gesink’s name has been engraved on a plaque that hangs in Kohrman Hall.

**The SATURDAY DIFFERENCE - Donald W. Hudler, left, chairman and president of the Saturn Corp., had a chance to meet two of his company’s newest interns while visiting the new campus. He said the visit was instrumental in setting up the internships. Hudler spoke on “Creating and Sustaining the Saturn Difference” to a group of business, education and government leaders as the final speaker in the lecture series this academic year. The series’ next speaker will be Arnold G. Landbo, chairman of the Kellogg Co., who is expected to visit campus in October.**

*(Photo by Neil Bankin)*

Third Coast Writers’ Conferences events: panel discussions in 3321 Brown Hall — “An Editors Panel,” featuring the editors of Triquarterly, Third Coast and New Editions, 2 p.m.; “Life After a First Book,” featuring fiction writers, 3:15 p.m.; question-and-answer session with Howard Norman and Jane Shore, 4:30 p.m.; and readings by Debra Albery, Alane Rollings, and Ellen Akins, 7-3223, 8 p.m., reception following on the 10th floor of Sprau Tower.

**Saturday, May 3**

Third Coast Writers’ Conferences readings by Howard Norman and Jane Shore, 7370 Knabbs Hall, 8 p.m.; reception following on the 10th floor of Sprau Tower.

**Monday, May 5**

Graduate College workshop for the preparation of doctoral dissertations, specialist project and master’s theses, Graduate College conference room, Seibert Administration Building, 10-11:30 a.m.; to register call 7-3569.

**Thursday, May 8**

*(And 11) 32nd International Congress on Medieval Studies, Goldwater Valley residence halls, Fetzer Center and Schneider Hall, all day.

*(Ongoing) Michigan Youth Arts Festival, Dalton Center, Shaw Theatre and Miller Auditorium, all day.

*(And 3) Men’s track, Central Collegiate Conference Championships, Kanabbs Hall, 7:30 a.m.; reception following on the 10th floor of Sprau Tower.

**Friday, May 9**

*University Theatre production, “Amadeus,” Shaw Theatre, 8 p.m.

*African studies brown bag seminar, “Oral Literature and the African Cosmos,” Babila Mutia, Visiting Fulbright Scholar, Western Washington University, Faculty Dining Room, 3-4:30 p.m.

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