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Ehrle, Griffin recognized for superior classroom skills

Two faculty members will be recognized for their superior classroom skills with 1995 Alumni Teaching Excellence Awards.

Presented by the WMU Alumni Association, the awards will go to Elwood B. Ehrle, biological sciences, and Robert J. Griffin, classics and Spanish. They will be honored at WMU's 16th annual Academic Convocation at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17, in the Dalton Center Recital Hall.

In addition to a plaque, the winners will receive a \$2,000 cash award and \$2,000 will be added to their base salaries.

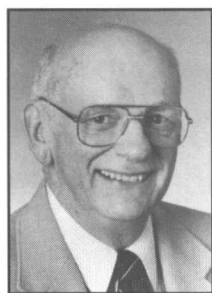
Since the Alumni Teaching Excellence Awards were established in 1966, more than 100 faculty members have been recognized with them for superior teaching skills and professional expertise. Recipients are selected by an Alumni Association committee from nominations by alumni, students and departmental colleagues.

Ehrle has been a member of the biological sciences faculty at WMU since 1984. He teaches classes on such subjects as environmental biology, the biology of vascular and non-vascular plants, plant systematics, bryology, and applied and general botany.

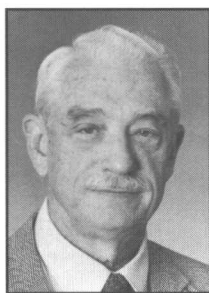
Several of those nominating him for the award cited his infectious enthusiasm for the subject matter he teaches. "Dr. Elwood Ehrle is a true educator in every sense of the word," wrote one alumna. "He is extremely knowledgeable in the fields that he teaches. His lecture skills are such that one cannot help but become excited about the topic. In fact, his lectures border on charismatic."

One current student wrote, "Every fall, Dr. Ehrle teaches one of three advanced plant biology courses. He teaches them from 1 to 4 p.m. two days a week. No one succumbs to post-lunch slump in one of Dr. Ehrle's classes, though. His lectures are peppered with his personal experiences as a horticulturist and field botanist, his fascination with and expertise in the history of botany, and his love for the natural world."

Others who wrote letters of support mentioned the high demands he places on his students — and their appreciation for that once the work is done. "I remember that Dr. Ehrle's course was one of the most demanding I had ever taken and I was proud to work hard in his class," wrote an



Ehrle



Griffin

alumna. "I still have the laboratory notebook he required because not only is it a good reference piece for me to have on my bookshelf, but I am also very proud of the amount of work put into it and that I was able to rise to the demands put on me."

"I took two courses under Dr. Ehrle while an undergraduate at WMU," wrote another, who has gone on to obtain advanced degrees and teach biology at the college level. "Of the more than 200 college credit hours that I have earned, I can honestly say that those two classes stand

out in my mind as the most rewarding.... Dr. Ehrle quite clearly presented a challenge and set a high standard of expectation that the challenge would be met. In my opinion, there is no better definition of a true teacher."

Several also wrote about Ehrle's dedication to his students. "He repeatedly went above and beyond the call of duty," wrote an alumnus. "In many instances, Dr. Ehrle would spend his evenings and weekend mornings with students in the laboratory and in the field."

"He is so personable that I rarely see him in his office alone," wrote another. "There are always students there."

In addition to spending his time with students, Ehrle devotes a significant number of hours to keeping current in his field by writing articles for professional journals. He is a frequent speaker to groups off campus on subjects related to plants. He also serves as president of the Michigan

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Senate meeting is tonight

The Faculty Senate will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5, in the Fetzer Center. Agenda items include remarks by President Haenicke as well as: a recommendation of the ad hoc Committee on the Directory of Classes regarding students who do not attend the first day of classes; a report and recommendations of the ad hoc Committee on Priorities of Placement Services in a Changing University; and a recommendation of the Undergraduate Studies Council on the three repeat policy.

Events proposals sought

The University Cultural Events Committee is inviting proposals for partial funding of activities that will enhance the cultural environment of the University. Proposals for events scheduled to take place during the 1995-96 academic year are now being accepted for consideration. For guidelines and more information, persons may contact Carl W. Doubleday, music, who is chairperson of the Cultural Events Committee, at 7-4681.

Distinguished alumni to be honored during Homecoming

Three WMU graduates who have gone on to successful careers in the business world have been named the winners of this year's Distinguished Alumni Awards by the WMU Alumni Association.

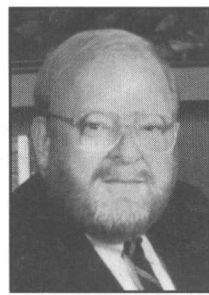
They are: William J. Bolton, a 1968 graduate who is chairman and chief executive officer of Bruno's Inc. of Birmingham, Ala.; James W. Goss, a 1966 graduate who is a partner in the Troy, Mich., law firm of Dean & Fulkerson; and Roy S. Roberts, a 1970 graduate who is vice president of the General Motors Corp. and general manager of the GMC Truck Division in Pontiac, Mich.

Since 1963, 94 men and women have received the Distinguished Alumni Awards, the association's most prestigious honor.

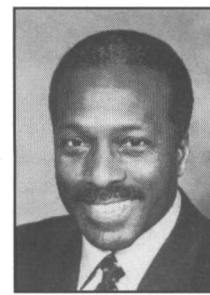
The 1995 recipients will be recognized at an Oct. 28 awards dinner scheduled in conjunction with Homecoming. The event will begin with a reception at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. in the East Ballroom of the Bernhard Center. Persons wishing to attend should make reservations at \$30 for Alumni Association members and their guests or \$35 for non-members by Friday, Oct. 13, with the McKee Alumni Center at 7-8777.



Bolton



Goss



Roberts

major at WMU and participated in a co-operative work arrangement through the University's Food Distribution Program. Upon earning his bachelor of science degree, he was promoted to assistant grocery manager and, six

months later, to grocery manager of one of the Chicago area stores.

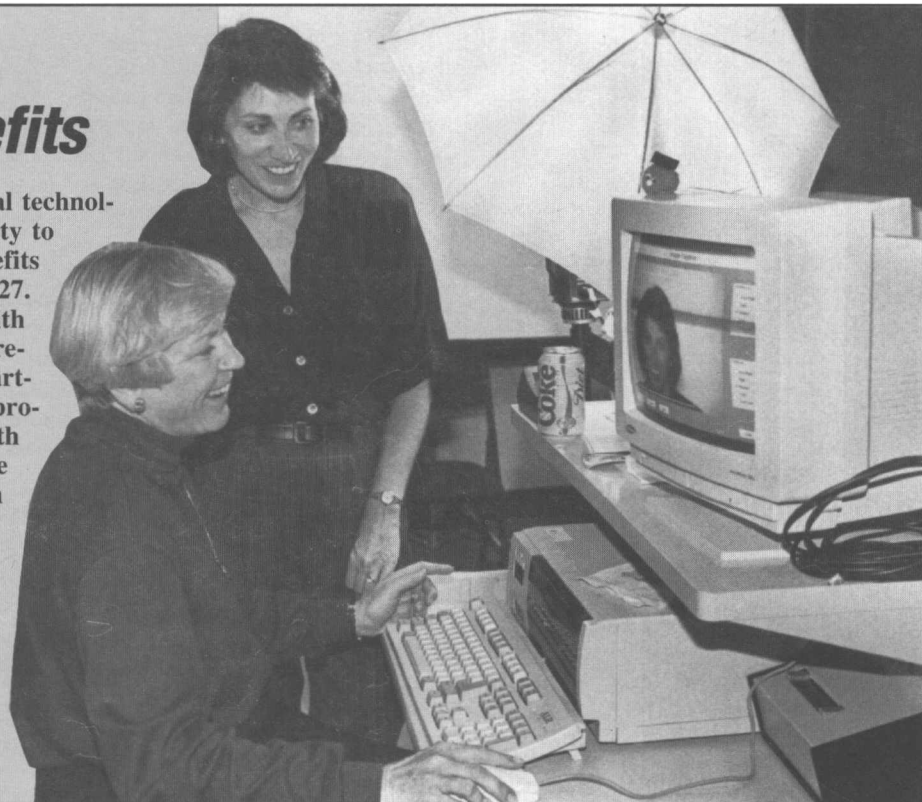
He continued working his way up the ranks, serving in such positions as division sales manager for the Midwest. In 1982, he was named vice president for deli and bakery merchandising. During the next nine years, he held several other executive level positions in grocery merchandising, general merchandising, marketing and real estate.

An active member of various business and community organizations, Bolton has

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Reaping the benefits

Deborah K. Withee, right, educational technology, took advantage of the opportunity to get her faculty/staff ID card at the Benefits Fair in the Bernhard Center Sept. 27. Lynn Damson, public safety, worked with a computerized image of Withee to prepare the card. Coordinated by the Department of Human Resources, the fair provided a place for employees to talk with representatives about benefits and the wide variety of services available on campus. In addition to the Department of Public Safety, vendors attending ranged from insurance providers to campus units such as auxiliary enterprises and the Sindecuse Health Center. More than 400 employees stopped by the fair during its six-hour run.

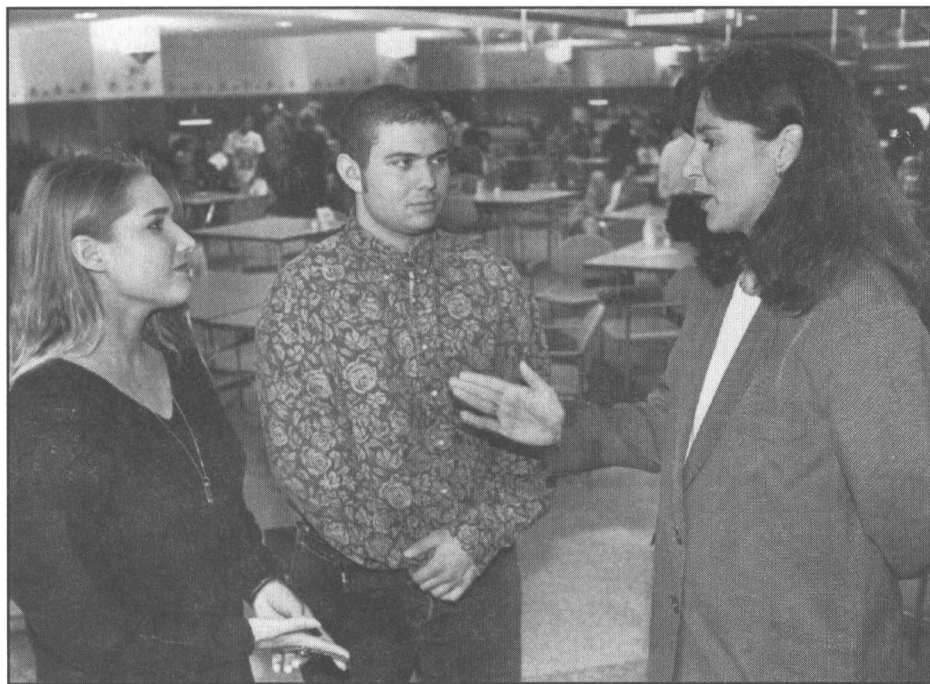


Did you know?

■ WMU currently has a record 323 registered student organizations. During the 1994-95 academic year, more than 14,000 students were involved in WMU student organizations, which also was a record.

■ WMU is the first university in the state to have an accredited pre-professional practice program in dietetics. This allows students to gain the supervised practice experience necessary to become registered dietitians. Eight graduate students are accepted into the program each year.

■ The American Institute of Motion Engineers is housed in WMU's College of Engineering and Applied Sciences. The institute provides educational and technical support services for a growing number of specialists in motion control, which is the current focus for advances being made in automation.



HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH — Miriam Santos, right, treasurer for the city of Chicago, shared her experiences as the first woman, the first Hispanic and the youngest person elected to that office during a visit to campus Sept. 27 as part of Hispanic Heritage Month activities. Santos focused on education issues and civic involvement for Hispanics during her address to about 300 junior high, high school and college students in the Bernhard Center. She talked here after her address with, from left, Rachel Rodriguez, a senior from Manchester who is treasurer of the Hispanic Student Organization, and Eric J. Host, a junior from Hudsonville who is president of the HSO. Hispanic Heritage Month activities will continue Wednesday, Oct. 18, with a 10:30 a.m. talk by Art Rascon, a CBS news correspondent based in Miami, in the West Ballroom of the Bernhard Center.

Mathematician to discuss matrix theory

Charles R. Johnson, professor of mathematics at the College of William and Mary, will present two lectures on campus and Friday, Oct. 12-13, as part of the Visiting Scholars and Artists Program.

Both talks will begin at 4 p.m. in the Commons Room on the sixth floor of Everett Tower.

He will lecture on "Generalizations of the Notion of Scalar Positivity to Matrices" on Thursday. He will discuss the many different and interesting ways that have been used to extend the idea of a positive number to the study of matrices. This talk is intended for students who have had a sophomore level elementary linear algebra course and others interested in the subject.

His topic on Friday will be "Matrix Completion Theory." This talk, intended for a more specialized audience, will be part of the Third Symposium on Matrix Analysis and Applications taking place at WMU Oct. 13-14 (see related story below).

A distinguished scholar and an authority on matrix theory and linear algebra, Johnson is the co-author of a pair of highly regarded textbooks. He is in frequent de-

mand as an invited lecturer at national and international conferences.

Johnson's lectures at WMU are being sponsored in part by the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. For more information, persons may contact Niloufer Mackey in the department at 7-4594.

Nicaraguan judge to speak

Vilma Nunez, founder and president of the Nicaraguan Center for Human Rights, will speak on "Economic Democracy vs. the New World Order" at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 9, in 2302 Sangren Hall.

Nunez is the former vice president of the Nicaragua Supreme Court and was the only Latin American judge on the Permanent Peoples' Tribunal, which in 1994 evaluated World Bank and International Monetary Fund adjustment policies. She came to the United States to participate in a conference titled "50 Years Is Enough," which critiqued policies of the World Bank and IMF.

Her visit to WMU is being sponsored by La Lucha, a campus-based Central American solidarity organization. For more information, persons may contact Donald F. Cooney, social work, at 7-3190.

Distinguished alumni (Continued from page one)

been chairperson of the Greater Chicago Food Depository board of directors and a member of the Chicago Urban League board of directors. He also served as chairperson of the LaGrange (Ill.) Police and Fire Commission for six years and as chairperson of the St. Clitus Board of Education for four years.

Goss earned his bachelor of business administration degree in accountancy from WMU. He worked for Deloitte Touche and Price Waterhouse accounting firms, then went on to earn a master's degree in journalism from the University of Illinois and a law degree from Georgetown University.

He has been practicing law since 1974, specializing in commercial, corporate and products liability matters. For eight years, he was affiliated with the Detroit law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone. During that period, he also lectured in accounting at the University of Michigan Law School. In 1982, he started his own firm, Goss and Jordan. He joined Dean & Fulkerson in 1988, where he currently is a vice president and shareholder.

Throughout his career, Goss has been involved in some of the nation's most significant products liability litigation. As counsel for a manufacturing client, he successfully argued against unfounded allegations that one of the firm's compo-

'Jurassic Park' adviser to present lecture

Robert T. Bakker, one of the world's leading paleontologists, will speak on "Hot and Cold Running Dinosaurs" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17, in Miller Auditorium.

Bakker's groundbreaking theories, which he discusses in the book, "The Dinosaur Heresies," have caused scientists to rethink what they know about dinosaurs. According to Bakker, dinosaurs were warm-blooded, active, social animals, rather than the cold-blooded, sluggish, solitary creatures once envisioned by scientists.

Bakker inspired museums around the world to redesign their old dinosaur displays. He also was an adviser to the special effects team that created the dinosaurs for the film, "Jurassic Park," and is the only paleontolo-

gist mentioned by name in the movie.

More recently, Bakker has combined his revolutionary theories with a science and adventure story to create his newly-released book, "Raptor Red."

Bakker lives in Boulder, Colo., and is the dinosaur curator for the Tate Museum in Wyoming. He holds degrees from Yale and Harvard universities.

His visit to WMU is being sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences. Tickets are \$16 for adults, \$11 for children and \$9 for WMU students. Patron tickets, which include premium seating and an invitation to a private reception honoring Bakker before the program, are available at \$26. For tickets, persons may call the Miller Auditorium ticket office at 7-2300.

Seminar to focus on telecommunications as a tool for economic development in the rural U.S.

The effect of telecommunications on the U.S. economy will be the focus of a lecture Wednesday, Oct. 11.

Frederick Williams, professor and holder of the Mary Gibbs Jones Centennial Chair in Communication at the University of Texas at Austin, will speak on "Telecommunications and Economic Development: A U.S. Perspective" at 3:30 p.m. in 3760 Knauss Hall.

The free talk is part of the Department of Economics' 32nd annual guest seminar series titled "Telecommunications: Have Regulators Dialed the Wrong Number?"

Williams also is director of the Center for Research on Communication Technology and Society at the University of Texas. He is expected to discuss how changes in telecommunications can be used as a way to stimulate development in the rural economy and lifestyle. He will argue that investment in the telecommunications infrastructure promises to be a more effec-

tive method of promoting rural development than other public policies, such as those concerning agriculture, for two important reasons: spatial distance becomes irrelevant; and low population density becomes irrelevant because small businesses are able to sell over larger geographic areas, allowing them to realize economies of scale.

Williams is the author, co-author or editor of 42 books and 60 research articles that examine how changes in communication affect various aspects of society. He has been a consultant to Pacific Telephone, AT&T and GTE on matters involving telecommunications policy and is past president of the International Communication Association.

The Department of Economics co-sponsors the series with the W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research in Kalamazoo. The series is directed by Donald L. Alexander, economics.

Eminent philosopher will explore Descartes

An internationally known philosopher will explore the ties between religion, philosophy and truth in a Thursday, Oct. 12, lecture.

"Descartes: How God Made Two Plus Two Equal Four" is the title of a talk by Jonathan Bennett, professor of philosophy at Syracuse University. Bennett's free public address is set for 7:30 p.m. in 3750 Knauss Hall. His visit to campus is part of the University's Visiting Scholars and Artists Program.

Bennett will explore a doctrine espoused by René Descartes, a 17th century philosopher and mathematician, who said God has the power to make seeming contradictions true by simply willing them so.

"Most philosophers think it bizarre that

God could have made two plus two equal three, which is what Descartes said," says Quentin Smith, philosophy, who is coordinating Bennett's visit. "According to Descartes, God could have made different laws of logic and mathematics, but virtually all other philosophers have denied this."

Bennett's talk, Smith says, should appeal to philosophers, mathematicians, logicians and anyone interested in "the nature of God."

The author of numerous articles in professional journals, Bennett also has written eight books, including works on philosophers Immanuel Kant and Baruch Spinoza. His most recent book, "The Act Itself," deals with ethics and was recently published by Oxford University Press.

manager. Two years later, he was appointed plant manager of GM's North Tarrytown, N.Y., assembly facility. In April 1987, Roberts was elected vice president of General Motors in charge of GM's personnel administration and development staff.

Roberts left the automaker to become vice president for truck operations at Navistar International Corp. in 1988, but returned to GM two years later as manufacturing manager for the Cadillac Motor Car Division in Detroit. He was appointed manufacturing manager for the Flint Automotive Division in January 1992, a position he held until named to his current position 10 months later.

Roberts serves on the board of directors of the Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Corp., the Volvo GM Heavy Truck Corp. and the National Urban League. A former member of the WMU Board of Trustees as well as of the board of directors of Florida A&M University, he has served as Michigan's general chairperson for the United Negro College Fund Campaign and on the boards of directors of the National 4-H Congress, Morehouse School of Medicine and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan. In 1989, President George Bush presented Roberts with the American Success Award at a gathering in the White House Rose Garden.

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Science publishes findings from WMU study of lake bed core on warming and cooling trends

Global warming may be a fact, says R.V. Krishnamurthy, geology. But it might have nothing to do with man-made pollutants and could be just a normal fluctuation of the earth's temperature — something that has happened at least once before since the last ice age ended.

An article by Krishnamurthy in the Sept. 15 issue of the prestigious journal *Science* explores a study Krishnamurthy and fellow researchers compiled by examining evidence from a Kalamazoo area lake bed. That organic material provides information on warming and cooling trends over the past 12,000 years.

By analyzing a 12-foot core sample from the bottom of nearby Austin Lake, Krishnamurthy and a team of researchers confirmed that the United States is in the middle of a warming trend that began about 1,000 years ago and is comparable to a warming trend that occurred 2,000 to 8,000 years ago. Their research found that the current warming trend's average annual temperature and precipitation levels are about the same as those of the earlier warming trend.

The findings do not, however, settle the debate over whether natural fluctuations or the influence of humans are causing the rise in temperatures, since a marked increase in temperature has occurred in the past century — roughly coinciding with modern industrial advances. The real importance of his work, Krishnamurthy says, is that it offers scientists a new method for obtaining climate information that goes far back into history. Presently, only 100 years or so of spotty records recorded by humans are available.

Krishnamurthy first submitted his article for consideration by *Science* editors last December. In late January he learned that his work had made it through the journal's tough initial screening process which eliminates all but a small percentage of submissions. After the initial screening, his article was sent to two experts in the field for the first of a series of expert reviews that resulted in four experts seeing

the revised version of the article. In June, Krishnamurthy learned that his work would indeed be printed in *Science*, which is published weekly by the American Academy for the Advancement of Science. Each issue is seen by more than 660,000 students, scientists, researchers and government officials around the world.

Krishnamurthy and his research team used the University's stable isotope mass spectrometry laboratory, which Krishnamurthy set up in 1992, to analyze the core material. Krishnamurthy has been involved in such research for a number of years and was awarded a National Science Foundation grant in 1992 for his work.

Noting that the earlier warming trend, which occurred in the era known as the mid-Holocene period, lasted for 5,000 years or longer, he says a much longer period of study must take place to determine whether the current trend shows signs of human influence.

Krishnamurthy hopes that by working with researchers who are examining other variables found in sediment, he will be able to refine his own temperature and precipitation record even more. Collaboration with University of Minnesota researchers who are studying pollen levels over time will begin soon. Researchers at the University of California at Los Angeles are studying other elements considered biomarkers in organic materials and could provide additional information.

Krishnamurthy's research team included Krista A. Syrup, a geology graduate student who based her master's thesis on the project, as well as researchers from Texas A&M University and the University of Arizona.

Feature ideas sought

Is there a University staff member you would like to see featured in "on campus"? Please call Ruth A. Stevens, news services, at 7-4114 or e-mail her at: ruth.stevens@wmich.edu.

Theatre group to present 'Great Sexpectations'

An improvisational theatre production designed to bring to life feelings, beliefs and behaviors common to college students confronted with sexual decisions in a world of seduction, substance abuse and social pressure will open its fifth season on campus Monday, Oct. 9.

"Great Sexpectations" will be performed at a variety of locations over the next two months. Faculty members are invited to bring their classes and all members of the University community are welcome to take their high school or college aged children to a production.

Produced through the Office of Health Promotion and Education in the Sinecuse Health Center with the support of the Department of Theatre, "Great Sexpectations" uses scenarios that address a variety of sexual concerns facing young adults. The goal of the student cast is to help audiences explore myths and realities of sexuality, minimize risk behaviors and enhance skills for healthy sexual expression. The performance includes realistic, perceptual, visual and aural elements.

During October and November, "Great

Sexpectations" is scheduled for 17 performances on the WMU campus and in the Kalamazoo community as well as for regional performances at Alma College, Kalamazoo College, Saginaw Valley State University and Earlham College.

There is no charge for admission. Although some performances have been scheduled for residence halls and for specific student groups, all shows are open to the entire WMU community. For the complete schedule or more information, persons should call the Office of Health Promotion and Education at 7-3263.

Media

David G. Houghton, political science, discusses the feasibility of an independent third party on "Focus," a five-minute interview produced by news services. "Focus" is scheduled to air Saturday, Oct. 7, at 6:10 a.m. on WKPR-AM (1420).

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 can apply for any of these positions (bargaining or non-bargaining) by submitting a job opportunity transfer application during the posting period, or may contact an employment services staff member for assistance in identifying themselves as candidates for these openings.

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

(R) **Secretary III**, S-06, Continuing Education-Grand Rapids Regional Center, 95/96-158, 10/3-10/9/95.

On campus



In the fall, she helps with the annual opening of the halls. Her job also involves taking care of the financial paperwork in the Office of Residence Hall Facilities. "I like doing the books," says Bell, who hopes to resume work on a bachelor's degree in accountancy this winter. "I also like the interaction with the students." A WMU employee for seven years, she worked in cashiering for two years before joining the residence hall facilities staff. When not at work, Bell spends time with her husband Lenzy, who works in the Division of Minority Affairs, and their three children, ages 11, 5 and 1. She also is active in her church and in the community. She is a coach for the Northside Cheerleaders, a group of 16 girls ages 8 to 12.

PAVING THE WAY FOR IMPROVEMENTS — Lori A. Bell enjoys doing her part to keep WMU's residence halls in good shape. The secretary to the assistant manager of residence hall facilities, Bell works with 14 hall improvement accounts. Each hall has a committee that makes recommendations for improvements. Bell handles the paperwork, balances the accounts daily and makes sure the funds are available and the purchases are feasible before the suggestions are approved by the assistant manager. During the spring and summer, Bell spends a lot of time outside the office purchasing items to beautify the halls for conferences scheduled there and for the next academic year.

AIDS quilt project donates \$16,000 to agencies

The Southwest Michigan AIDS Memorial Quilt Project has presented checks totaling nearly \$16,000 to two local non-profit groups that provide direct services to persons affected by AIDS and HIV infection.

Project leaders gave Community AIDS Resource & Education Services (CARES) and Kalamazoo AIDS Benefit Services Inc. checks for \$7,967 each. The money was raised through the display last March of the AIDS Memorial Quilt at WMU.

"This money represents the generosity of people from the Kalamazoo community, Western Michigan University and all of Southwest Michigan who visited, participated in and contributed to the display," said Christine G. Zimmer, co-chairperson

the project's host committee.

"It is a visible symbol of the compassion, sensitivity and support the quilt experience evoked," Zimmer continued in letters to the two organizations. "And it stands as a tribute to the importance of your work."

Zimmer is director of health promotion and education in the Sinecuse Health Center at WMU. She and Cyril C. Colonius, executive director of CARES, headed a 26-member host committee of WMU and community volunteers that brought the quilt to Kalamazoo.

More than 15,250 persons visited the quilt at the University Arena during its four-day stay.

Human resources

Award nominations due Oct. 6

Nominations for the second quarter Staff Service Excellence Awards are due Friday, Oct. 6. There are many outstanding employees worthy of this award designed to recognize excellence.

Do you work with such an employee? By nominating this co-worker for a Staff Service Excellence Award, he or she becomes eligible to win a \$50 gift certificate to a designated University facility and a commemorative certificate. Your nomination helps the Staff Service Excellence Committee honor our outstanding WMU staff.

All regular part- and full-time, non-faculty staff are eligible. Nomination forms

can be obtained from the Department of Human Resources at 7-3620. Completed forms should be submitted to Anne E. Thompson, human resources, before 5 p.m. Oct. 6.

Session set on graphic design

There is help for those without design training who find they have to produce flyers and brochures for their department or organization. Come to the Thursday, Oct. 12, Brown Bag Lunch Series session, "But I'm Not a Graphic Designer!"

Presented by Pamela S. Rups, instructional technology services, this session will provide an overview of the special terminology encountered in the design and printing process and provide rules for using type. Rups will explain how to develop an eye for good design, share what should be avoided for the most effective presentation, and show examples of flyers and brochures. The techniques and rules discussed are general and apply to work done on any computer or by hand.

This is the second session in the Brown Bag Lunch Series sponsored jointly by the Department of Human Resources and the Office of Instructional Technology Services, a new area in the University libraries located in 2213 Sangren Hall. The last session in the series, "Giving Effective Presentations with Media," is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 16.

Both sessions are from 12:05 to 12:55 in 157-159 Bernhard Center. Since seating is limited, those wishing to attend either session should register by calling 7-3625. Participants may bring their own lunch or go through the cafeteria line.

Exchange

FOR SALE — Lake Michigan shoreline property. South Haven area, approximately 7/8 acre, on all-season road, no erosion problems, good for building or long-term investment. Call 345-6236.

FOR SALE — 1987 Dodge Charger. 115,000 miles, looks good and runs well. \$1,000 or offer. Call Katie at 7-3935.

FOR SALE — Sofa sleeper, queen-size, cream, teal, burgundy, modern design, one year old, A-1 shape, \$375; console TV, 25-inch, works great, \$75; lawn tractor with snow blower, Sears LT 1036, works great, \$450 or best offer. Call 385-4711 after 5:30 p.m.

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: October events; November events; and future events, which run from December 1995 through December 1996. To view the calendars, type Gopher at the system prompt. At the next menu, choose 2. Western Michigan University, then choose 3. Campus Calendar. You will find options for 1. This Month's Events, 2. Next Month's Events and 3. Future Events.

Thursday, October 5

(thru 13) Hispanic Heritage Month cultural exhibit, showcases, third floor, Waldo Library.
(and 6) Exhibition, handmade books from the Bronte Press, Space Gallery showcases, Knauss Hall, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.
Workshop, "How to Find — and Win — Federal Grants," David G. Bauer, president of David G. Bauer Associates Inc. of Amherst, Mass., President's Dining Room, Bernhard Center, 8 a.m.-4:15 p.m.; to register call 7-8298.
(thru 20) Exhibition, "Icons and Iconoclasts," figure painting and monoprints, Richard Rodrigues, San Francisco artist, Gallery II, Sangren Hall, weekdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
(thru 27) Exhibition, Department of Art Alumni Mail Art Show, Space Gallery, Knauss Hall, Mondays thru Thursdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; closing reception, Friday, Oct. 27, 3-5 p.m.
(thru 13) Student Art Gallery exhibitions by students from the City College of San Francisco: monoprints, South Gallery; and figure painting workshop works in progress, Rotunda Gallery; weekdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Program, "Creating Digital Images: Tips and Techniques," Reza Rashidi, Faculty Resource Center, and Fritz Seegers and Margaret J. Watson, instructional technology services, 2032 University Computing Center, 3:30-5 p.m.; to register call 7-5305.
University computing services panel discussion, "Modems," Clock Tower Conference Room, University Computing Center, 4-5:30 p.m.; to register call 7-5161 or 7-5430.
University Film Committee showing, "The Nasty Girl" (Germany, 1990), directed by Michael Verhoeven, 2750 Knauss Hall, 6 and 8 p.m.
Meeting, Faculty Senate, Fetzer Center, 7 p.m.
Center for the Study of Ethics in Society presentation, "Civility and Community," Brian Schrag, executive secretary, Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, Indiana University, 3750 Knauss Hall, 7 p.m.
*Performance, "Grease!, " Miller Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Friday, October 6

Program honoring the Medallion Scholars, East Ballroom, Bernhard Center, 4 p.m.; reception following.
*Volleyball, WMU vs. Eastern Michigan University, University Arena, 7 p.m.
*Performance, Gambian National Dance Troupe, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
Saturday, October 7
*Football (W Club, Hall of Fame Day and TailGreat), WMU vs. the University of Akron, Waldo Stadium, 1 p.m.
Memorial service for Frances E. Noble, emeritus in foreign languages and literatures, Lee Honors College, 3 p.m.
*Hockey, Brown and Gold Game, Lawson Arena, 7 p.m.

Teaching excellence *(Continued from page one)*

Botanical Club and the Michigan Botanical Foundation and is the coordinator of Michigan's Big Tree Program, part of a national effort to locate the largest example of each species of trees in the United States.

Griffin has been a WMU faculty member in the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures since 1971. He has taught classes in Spanish language and culture as well as Latin language and literature and classical mythology. Several of those nominating him for the award described his unique teaching methods.

"Dr. Griffin's depth of knowledge in the field of foreign languages reaches beyond the mechanics of grammar to encompass the cultural, historical and philosophical elements that come together to give language its full meaning," wrote one alumna. "His clear organization and presentation of material improve language proficiency, a skill of ever increasing importance in today's world. He incorporates aspects of art, music, literature and his own extensive travels abroad to captivate student attention and bring the subject matter to life. As a result, students catch his enthusiasm and broaden their horizons far beyond the classroom."

One of his colleagues in the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures wrote, "While he has certainly been gifted with a very considerable talent for teaching, he has never 'coasted' on his native ability. Instead, he invests a prodigious amount of time and energy into course preparation.... He continues to perfect a course long after most of us would have said that the course is now in final form, and as a result he has huge loose-leaf binders, two or more for every class, containing his lecture notes and additional materials. These additional materials are culled from a wide variety of sources (newspapers, movies, museums, even comics) and they reveal an important facet of Professor Griffin's teaching method: I refer to his ability to find the 'common text,' the 'text' that both he and his students already share and which he can use as a bridge into material that is unfamiliar to the class."

Several other students and former students commented on the example he has set over the past quarter of a century for those entering the teaching profession.

"I am deeply indebted to Dr. Griffin for being a wonderful role model for me," wrote one alumna who now teaches at an area high school. "He was an enthusiastic, creative and caring educator who instilled a desire for learning through his use of humor, innovative techniques and genuine concern for all."

"It is fitting that Dr. Griffin's own excellence in teaching be recognized, since he has shown hundreds of students, by word and example, the path to successful teaching," another wrote. "...his own enthusiasm for teaching and his obvious enjoyment of it, the depth of his knowledge in various fields, his unflagging support and encouragement of both current and former students, his legendary quick wit and sense of humor, his untiring pursuit of fresh materials and techniques, all have done much to (supply) the Spanish-teaching profession with fine, conscientious teachers."

Several of those graduates wrote letters of support, praising Griffin for his efforts to keep in touch with them. A number mentioned the newsletter he produces and distributes to current students, graduates and friends of the department. It contains articles about successful teaching tips, reviews about articles from foreign language journals and information about the Spanish program at WMU. In addition, Griffin includes tidbits about former students' jobs, marriages and travel experiences gleaned from the many personal letters he receives.

Over the years, Griffin has undertaken a number of activities to promote the department and its work. They include events for high school students on campus and presentations to high school assemblies off campus.

Griffin's other professional activities have ranged from writing articles for scholarly journals and presenting papers at national conferences to serving as president of both the Michigan Foreign Language Association and the Michigan Classical Conference.



THE RISE IN FALL — The recent Indian summer weather provided students heading for their 8 o'clock classes with a picturesque walk through Goldsworth Valley — a rising sun, mist from the pond and balmy breezes.

*Volleyball, WMU vs. Central Michigan University, University Arena, 7 p.m.

Sunday, October 8

Concert, University Symphony Orchestra, Miller Auditorium, 3 p.m.
Concert, University Jazz Orchestra, Bronco Mall, Bernhard Center, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, October 9

Mircea Eliade Lecture on Religion, "Religion on the Margin: 'Conversos' and Collegiants," J. Samuel Preus, the Ruth N. Halls Professor of Religious Studies, Indiana University, Lee Honors College lounge, 7 p.m.
La Lucha lecture, "Economic Democracy vs. the New World Order," Vilma Nunez, president, Nicaraguan Center for Human Rights, 2302 Sangren Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 10

Program, "Educational CD-ROM Resources," Dennis K. Strasser, University libraries, 3307 Sangren Hall, noon-1 p.m.; to register call 7-5305.
Colleges of education and health and human services research colloquium, "Distance, Education and WMU: A Discussion," Howard R. Poole, special education, and Geraldine A. Schma, distance education, Tate Center Conference Room, 3208 Sangren Hall, 4-5 p.m.
Mircea Eliade Lecture on Religion, "The Rise and Fall of the Bible," J. Samuel Preus, the Ruth N. Halls Professor of Religious Studies, Indiana University, Lee Honors College lounge, 7 p.m.

*Volleyball, WMU vs. the University of Notre Dame, University Arena, 7 p.m.

Closing concert, Western String Festival, Miller Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 11

"A Gathering of Women," Soup and Sandwich Shoppe, Wesley Foundation building, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Open house, Office for Lesbian, Bisexual and Gay Issues, A-327 Ellsworth Hall, 1-5 p.m.
School of Music Convocation Series concert, "Student Musicale," Dalton Center Recital Hall, 2 p.m.
Economics lecture, "Telecommunications and Economic Development: A U.S. Perspective," Frederick Williams, professor and holder of the Mary Gibbs Jones Centennial Chair in Communication, University of Texas at Austin, 3760 Knauss Hall, 3:30 p.m.
Mircea Eliade Lecture on Religion, "The Hidden Dialogue in Spinoza's 'Tractatus'," J. Samuel Preus, the Ruth N. Halls Professor of Religious Studies, Indiana University, Lee Honors College lounge, 7 p.m.

Thursday, October 12

Instructional technology services and human resources brown bag lunch, "But I'm Not a Graphic Designer!" Pamela S. Rups, instructional technology services, 157-159 Bernhard Center, 12:05-12:55 p.m.; to register call 7-3625.
Visiting Scholars and Artists Program lecture, "Generalizations of the Notion of Scalar Positivity to Matrices," Charles R. Johnson, professor of mathematics, College of William and Mary, Commons Room, sixth floor, Everett Tower, 4 p.m.
University computing services panel discussion, "VMS," Clock Tower Conference Room, University Computing Center, 4-5:30 p.m.; to register call 7-5161 or 7-5430.
University Film Committee showing, "Remains of the Day" (England, 1993), directed by James Ivory, 2750 Knauss Hall, 6 and 8:30 p.m.
Mircea Eliade Lecture on Religion, "Prophecy, Knowledge and the Study of Religion," J. Samuel Preus, the Ruth N. Halls Professor of Religious Studies, Indiana University, Lee Honors College lounge, 7 p.m.
Visiting Scholars and Artists Program lecture, "Descartes: How God Made Two Plus Two Equal Four," Jonathan Bennett, professor of philosophy, Syracuse University, 3750 Knauss Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Concert, University Concert Band, Miller Auditorium, 8 p.m.
*Admission charged

Donnelly selected for Athletic Hall of Fame

Charles G. (Bud) Donnelly, associate dean of students, is one of five people who will be inducted into WMU's Athletic Hall of Fame during a banquet Saturday, Oct. 7, in the Fetzer Center.

As a tennis player at WMU, Donnelly compiled a 92-14 record in 1954-56, which is still the best winning percentage (.868) in school history. He won six Mid-American Conference individual tennis titles. In 1954, he was named to the five-man U.S. Jr. Davis Cup team and also reached the doubles finals of the Eastern Intercollegiate championships.

In state doubles play, Donnelly won six

men's open championships, one 35-and-over Michigan Open and three 45-and-over opens. He won the 1956 Michigan men's singles and was runner-up in 1958.

Donnelly coached tennis at Kalamazoo College and at Mattawan and Battle Creek Lakeview high schools before joining the WMU staff in 1963.

Others being inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame and their sports are: Gene Ford, men's basketball; Bob Kent, men's swimming and diving; and Kris Knisel-Hubbard and Judy Moore McCrae, who both played basketball, field hockey and volleyball.