Hampton ‘makes a difference’ as loaned executive

Hampton’s United Way days since that orientation have been hectic. She was assigned to assist fund-raising efforts in the educational and professional areas of the community. She works with staff members in local public and parochial schools, Kalamazoo, Davenport and Kalamazoo Valley Community colleges as well as in the offices of local architects, accountants, attorneys, engineers and members of the medical profession. She also helped out with the Upjohn Co.’s internal campaign.

Last-minute schedule changes, filling in for a loaned executive who was injured and accommodating spur-of-the-moment requests from local firms and schools mean she has to remain flexible.

“You have to learn to roll with the punches and work with the client’s schedule,” she says. “There’s no such thing as a typical day.”

Throughout the busy campaign, however...

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Did you know?

- For the third time in the past six years, WMU Department of Theatre students have won awards at the National Stage Combatants annual workshop in Las Vegas. John Scheider ’91, Dan Lemieux ’92 and Tim Bell ’95 have all received the Best Male Combatant Award.
- WMU has some 45 miles of underground cable for telecommunications that carries an average of 6,000 long distance calls per day and 12,500 local calls per day. The main switchboard handles an average of 1,200 calls per day.

- WMU’s cast metals program is one of only 27 in North America accredited by the Foundry Educators Foundation; the educational arm of the industry and of the American Foundrymen’s Society. WMU has a fully equipped cast metals laboratory and is involved in ongoing industrial research projects.
Project designed to prepare better science teachers

WMU educators hope to build a sense of community among middle and elementary school teachers under a new grant-funded project.

The University has received a $225,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education’s Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education to support a project called Reaching for Independence and Dignity Through Education, a campus-based student organization.

WMU’s Hispanic Heritage Month celebration during late October and early November, included the Art Ranson, a CPS news correspondent based in Miami, as the final speaker for WMU’s Hispanic Heritage Month celebration during late September and early October. Ranson, who has covered such major stories as the recent hurricanes, the O.J. Simpson trial, the Los Angeles riots and the Rodney King trial, spoke with students from WMU and from schools in Southeast Michigan Oct. 18 in the Bernhard Center. He discussed his experiences as well as the role of Latinos in the news media.

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Library exhibits rare medieval manuscripts

Waldo Library is one of three sites in the United States chosen by a Swiss publishing house to showcase an exhibit of facsimiles of rare medieval manuscripts.

The exhibit, located in Special Collections and in the rotunda area on the third floor, is on display through the end of November. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays.

Faksimile Verlag Luzern, a company based in Luzern, has borrowed the modern technology of space age photography to reproduce some of the masterpieces of Western Writers. It is very accurate that the facsimiles are almost indistinguishable from the original manuscripts.

WMU Minority Program Funding

As part of its continuing coverage of President Haenicke's Oct. 17 State of the University address, Western News ran a series of charts the president used to illustrate his talk.

WIDR grant goes toward several station improvements

WIDR-FM, the University’s student radio station, has received a grant of $50,000 from WMU’s Career Development Center to help fund station renovations, new operations and new equipment.

"I have been very impressed with the professional approach that the WIDR delegation used for its funding presentation," said President Haenicke.

"The radio station should be a fine pre-professional laboratory for our communication students," he continued, "and I am very glad that we can deepen the learning experience of our students with this equipment grant.

The WIDR delegation, which made its presentation to Haenicke earlier this month, included Kristy R. Kruehl, business manager; Jennifer L. Dodd, program director; and Richard A. Gershon, communication, faculty adviser to the station.

With the proposed changes in equipment and news, WIDR is about to enter a new era in radio broadcasting at WMU, Gershon said. "The new WIDR will provide a true learning laboratory for those students interested in radio communication.

The station has been in its present location in the Faunce Student Services building since 1975 without a major renovation of its studio area. "Breakdowns are a constant headache," said Vince Molica, general manager. "We are always one equipment failure away from an indefinate shut-down.

"The station has improved greatly over the past couple of years," Kruehl said. "We feel this grant shows the University's recognition of these efforts.

The new equipment will reflect the latest broadcasting technology, including digital radio.

"As WIDR moves into the digital arena, students will be able to learn techniques and skills they can put to use in an employment situation immediately upon graduation," said Ed Sackley, president and general manager of the Crystal Radio Group in Kalamazoo and a WIDR alumni who is a member of the station’s board.
Three selected for Center Scholars Program

Three faculty members in the College of Education have been selected for a program designed to reduce their teaching loads so they can focus on research that addresses the needs of children and families.

Karen R. Blaisure, counselor education and counseling psychology, and two colleagues, Libby Labovitz and Geasler, have been selected to participate during the fall and winter semesters in the Center Scholars Program of WMU's Center for Research on At-Risk Students. Margie J. Geasler, consumer resources and technology, is a second scholar for the fall semester, continuing an appointment that began last winter. The center is exploring the possibility of continuing the program in 1994 to encourage research on the broad problems of children who are at risk for failure in a variety of social service or educational areas.

Funding from the College of Education is available to all full-time faculty to reduce or eliminate their teaching loads to give them more time to develop research proposals to pursue a specific research strand. The center is providing research support services and professional development opportunities for these full-time scholars during the year they serve as center scholars.

Blaisure is devoting 50 percent of her time during the academic year to research and development in the field of marriage and family therapy. She is working on several proposals for the anticipated development of a proposed College of Education graduate program and also is looking forward to developing educational materials for divorcing parents.

Human resources

17 win door prizes at Benefits Fair

Employees who attended the Benefits Fair Sept. 27 in the Bernhard Center had a great time visiting and learning about the many benefits and campus services. Seventeen employees had the additional pleasure of winning door prizes at the event.

The winners, their department and prize won are: Angela M. Miller, accounts payable, Human Resources Center; Jean Douglass, University libraries, Little Caesar's pizza; Thelma McClain, speech pathology, gas card; Dela Delta; Patrick L. Lem, physical plant, development custodial and support services; S. O. Volk, residence hall facilities; Nathaniel Aravamuthan, paper and printing science, adult education; Mark F. Golden, School of Business, Delta Dental; Raymond J. Hoekje/Bigelow dining service, $50 gift certificate; Samuel J. Waligora, logistical services-freight/postal/delivery, $50 gift certificate; Jody A. Brylinsky, health, physical education and recreation, $50 gift certificate.

The biggest winner at the fair was Roberta Blaisure and Geasler also are working on securing funding for marriage and family therapy programs. "It's important that minority teachers can have a role in shaping the future of the profession," Blaisure says. Her own field of special education, she notes, must deal with problems resulting from both demographic changes and teacher and their students.

"I'll be exploring a number of options that might increase minority recruitment and retention for both regular and special education programs," she adds. "That minority teachers can have as role models and mentors for minority students, Icbalone says.

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Thursday, October 26
(3) Homecoming display of photos, memorabilia and promotional materials from home, Great Hall, floor floor, 4:15-7:45 p.m.-noon.
(27) Exhibition, Department of Art Alumni Mail Art Show, Space Gallery, Knauss Hall, Thursday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; closing reception, Friday, Oct. 27, 3-5 p.m.
(27) Concert, Rotondo, Tuba/Euphonium, 500 Knauss Hall, 7:30-9:30 p.m.-closing reception, Friday, Oct. 27, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; closing reception, Friday, Oct. 27, 3-5 p.m.
(27) Exhibition, Facsimiles of rare medieval manuscripts, floor floor, floor floor, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.-reception, Thursday, Nov. 9, 4-7 p.m.
(27) Mathematics and statistics colloquium, "Mathematical Resources on the Internet," Earl D. Fife, Calvin College, 1104 Knauss Hall, 4-10 p.m.; refreshments, 3:50 p.m.
(27) University Commem. page, "Like Water for Chocolate," (Mexico, 1993), directed by Alfonso Arau, 2750 Knauss Hall, 6 and 8 p.m.
(28) Homecoming: Thursday activities: "That's Entertainment" talent show, Miller Auditorium, 7 p.m.; "movie, "Batman Forever," Miller Auditorium, 9:30 p.m.

Friday, October 27
Meeting, Budget and Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees, 204 Bernhard Center, 9:45 a.m.
Meeting, Academic and Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees, 204 Bernhard Center, 10:30 a.m.
Meeting, Board of Trustees, Board Room, Board Room, 11 a.m.
Homecoming Day, no classes, 12 noon, closing reception, Floor Floor, 2 p.m.-concert, alumni band and University bands, Miller Auditorium, 6 p.m.; Closing ceremony of the Fall Homecoming, Miller Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Saturday, October 28
Groundbreaking for renovation of Wood Hall and construction of Science Research Pavilion.
(28) (Hockey, WMU vs. Providence College, Lawson Arena, 7 p.m.

Sunday, October 29
Soccer, WMU vs. Bowling Green State University, Waldo Stadium, 2 p.m.

Monday, October 30
(28) (Art, American National Design 100 Competition," American Center for Design, Chicago, Gallery II, Sangren Hall, weekdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
(28) (Nov. 3) Student Art Gallery exhibition, photography by Amy Martin, BFA degree candidate, Sangren Hall, East Ballrooms, 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m.-concert, alumni band and University bands, Miller Auditorium, 6 p.m.; Closing ceremony of the Fall Homecoming, Miller Auditorium, 8 p.m.
(28) Football, WMU vs. Bowling Green State University, Waldo Stadium, 1 p.m.
National Pan-Hellenic Council Marchathon, Miller Auditorium, 5:30-7 p.m.

Tuesday, October 31
(28) "Africa Today" lecture series, "Race, Environment and Development in the New South Africa," David Wiley, Michigan State University professor of sociology and director of the African Studies Center, Lee Honors College lounge, 7 p.m.
(28) Exhibition, "Theatre of Mind" (Interdisciplinary), floor floor, floor floor, 4-7 p.m.
(28) Performance, Young Concert Artists Series, ChristopherNomura, baritone, Dalto Center Recital Hall, 5:30 p.m.

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TOUTING THE TUBA --- What better month for the School of Music to schedule its annual event for lovers of low brass music than OCTUBA? Thomas M. Stearns, founding director of the WMU Rockford, rehearsed with the WMU Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble last week in preparation for the annual OCTUBAfest concert OCTUBA 21 in the Dalto Center Recital Hall. The group was under the direction of Joseph W. Skillen, music.

Wednesday, November 1
(21) Exhibition, "Strike Restretched: The Revitalized Print Revisited," selections from the WMU Department of Art Permanent Collection, Space Gallery, Knauss Hall, Mondays thru Thursdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.-reception, Thursday, Nov. 9, 4-7 p.m.
"A Gathering of Women," Soup and Sandwich Shoppe, Wesley Foundation Building, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Program, "Educational Resources on the Web," Dennis K. Russler, University libraries, 3307 Sangren Hall, noon-1 p.m.-to register call 7-5305.
Center for the Study of Ethics in Society presentation, "Author, Publisher, Ethics?," Sharen Newman, medieval historian from California, Brown and Gold Room, Bernhard Center, 2 p.m.

Thursday, November 2
Meeting, Faculty Senate, Foote Center, 7 p.m.
* Concert, Gold Company and GCC Sneak Preview, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
* Admission charged

Grant used to establish Latin American network
Formation of a corps of Latin American educators well-versed in the art of evaluation will be the result of a new project at WMU that has received a $150,000 grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek. The foundation awarded $150,000 to WMU's Evaluation Center to establish a network of up to 20 persons from Latin America higher education institutions who can work as consultants for the foundation and other funding agencies when Latin American grant programs need to be assessed as well as eventually work to establish home institutions. Those persons selected will work with evaluators at WMU and elsewhere in this country to learn about evaluation techniques and resources that they can apply to programs in their native countries.
"This is really a capacity-building project," says James R. Sanders, Evaluation Center, who directs the Latin America project. The effort is a continuation of work begun by Sanders in 1992, when he took a two-year leave of absence from the University to serve as director of evaluation for the Kellogg Foundation.
"Latin America is one of the Kellogg Foundation's traditional areas of focus," Sanders notes. "When the foundation awards grants in an area, it requires that evaluation be done as part of that grant. The number of consultants available to do such work in Latin America is very small and if evaluators from this country are brought in for a project, they often are unfamiliar with the language and the culture."
The grant will provide funds for Sand- ers to design and execute a three-week seminar for about 20 Latin American edu- cators from 10 to 12 countries in Central and South America and the Caribbean. The seminar will be designed to enhance participants' evaluation skills and knowl- edge to a level at which they will be able to design evaluation studies, access evalu- ation resource materials and become advo- cates for evaluation as an integral part of any change process. Staff members from the Kellogg Foundation's Latin America Program and the American Evaluation Association will collaborate on the project. The seminar will be built around an international evaluation conference set for Nov. 1-5 in Vancouver, British Columbia. The seminar participants will come to WMU for a week of intensive evaluation training before attending the international conference. After the conference, the group will travel to three large American evalu- ation centers to get a feel for the type of evaluation work being done in these centers.
The international evaluation conference in Vancouver, the first of its kind in evalu- ation, will focus on the theme "Evaluation for a New Century: A Global Perspective."
Those attending will examine international issues such as the environment, transporta- tion, urbanization and global security. They will share evaluation experiences and tech- niques used to evaluate programs that ad- dress such issues.
"We chose to build our seminar around that conference because of its theme," says Sanders, who also is one of the organizers of the international conference. The con- ference, he says, will give the Latin Amer- ican seminar participants an opportunity to establish contacts with evaluation special- ists from around the world. A series of special conference receptions for the semi- nar participants is being planned to en- hance that networking opportunity.
Once the newly-trained evaluators re- turn to Latin America, follow-up projects with individual members of the group will take place. E-mail communication and dis- tribution of a network newsletter also are planned.
Coordinating the project with Sanders will be staff from WMU's Evaluation Cen- ter. Seminar course instructors will in- clude: Francisco Tancredi of the Kellogg Foundation; Elena Cherlimsky, president, and Rita O'Sullivan, secretary-treasurer, of the American Evaluation Association; and Daniel L. Stufflebeam, Evaluation Center.