Nominations sought for Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award Committee is seeking nominations for the University's 1995 Distinguished Service Award.

Deadline recently was distributed to faculty and staff members in campus mail. Materials are due at 5 p.m. Friday, March 10, to the University's Distinguished Service Award Committee.

The award, which was established to recognize exceptional service in one or more of the following categories: service through innovative and effective programs that are academic or related to another facet of the University; service in areas and organizations that contribute to the growth and stature of the University; and service that extends the impact of the University into the larger community.

The service must affect a significant segment of the University community. The award usually is given for a cumulative body of service rather than a single activity or accomplishment.

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Most of the activities will take place Monday, Jan. 16, the official holiday commemorating the slain civil rights leader's birthday. For the first time this year, WMU will observe the birthday of Martin Luther King Jr. with a myriad of events running from Saturday, Jan. 14, through the end of the month.

The speaker will be Bettye Daly, president of Wayne State University; a theatrical performance by Von H. Washing- ter, member of the University Arena at Read Fieldhouse. She will speak on "The Courage To Do What Is Right."

The Western Herald, WMU's student newspaper, plans to publish its sixth annual tribute to King with its Jan. 16 edition. The paper will use fewer funds and the lab facilities are separate calendar on page four for a listing of activities.

ADVANCING THE SCIENCES — This architect's model of the science facility shows Wood Hall, which will be retrofitted, in the upper right and the new addition connected by a bridge at the third level. Kohran Hall is in the foreground, with the Pasta Sciences Building at left. Under $38 million project, which is being completed by state appropriation, will provide a total of 271,800 square feet to consolidate the undergraduate and research components of the science areas at the University.

Involvement is key to design of new science facility

In developing the best plan for the University's new science facility, architects are relying on faculty, staff and students who use the building to provide the "chemistry" for a successful design.

The $38 million project, which is being funded by state appropriations, will provide a total of 271,800 square feet to consolidate the undergraduate and research components of the science areas at the University. It includes a retrofit of Wood Hall and a new 126,000-square-foot building that will span the pedestrian mall between Wood and Everett Tower.

"This facility will enable us to teach and do research in a contemporary way in the sciences and to do leading edge work fitting a research and graduate intensive institution of our high stature," said Dean Douglas P. Ferraro, arts and sciences.

Ferraro headed a committee of faculty members and administrators that was involved in the process from the beginning, including having input on the selection of the architect, Holabird & Root of Chicago. Since the selection was approved by the Board of Trustees in September, an expanded committee has been meeting with the architects on a regular basis to assess needs and review progress.

The planning committee is co-chaired by Ferraro and Evie Asken, campus planning and construction. It is comprised of about a dozen representatives from the departments that will be located in the new facility as well as from administrators and students. The departments are: biological sciences, chemistry, geography, geology, psychology and science studies.

The architects have ideas discussed by the committee to design the building. For example, the planning committee and the affected faculty members accepted a "generic laboratory module" for the departments of chemistry and biological sciences. This plan will use fewer funds and allow the labs to be adaptable to more faculty members as needs and programs change.

"This means that when faculty members depart, they will not leave behind a lab design that is so personal that no one else can use it," Ferraro said.

As plans develop, members of the committee and the faculty members of the departments housed in the building will be involved in many of the details, from determining which way doors should face in order to where people will move during construction. Currently, the plan is to move everyone out of Wood Hall during construction.

A schematic design of the facility was accepted by the Joint Capital Outlay Committee of the state Legislature this past fall.

The next step for the project, the design development phase, is currently right on schedule, according to Asken. Once this phase is completed, the project will go back to the Joint Capital Outlay Commit- tee for acceptance in early spring. Construction and renovation would begin in January 1996 and be completed about two years later, according to Asken.

While plans call for a complete retrof- ting of Wood Hall, the basic external structure of the building will not change. When Wood Hall was built in 1960, it was the largest classroom structure on campus. Now the entire interior of the building will be gutted and modernized to fit today's needs for science teaching and research.

"Probably the most noticeable change will be the entrance to the building. A new central entry will be created through the north facade. The entry will lead to a three-story atrium with an open stairway connecting all three levels. The atrium will overlook the interior courtyard, which will also be redesigned.

Under current plans, the first two levels of Wood will have classrooms and teaching laboratories. All will accommodate new audiovisual and computer tech- nologies. The third floor will consist of faculty offices and graduate student work stations in an open office landscape plan. Each department will be contiguous and linked vertically by existing stairways.

The design also includes the refurbish- ing of the current greenhouse on the north side of Wood Hall and the addition of a greenhouse next to it to double the
NEW DRUG PROGRAM - The start of the new year brought the implementation of the Sindecuse Health Center Drug Program for AFSCME, clerical/technical, executive officials, power plant, managerial/technical administrative and research staff employees and retirees insured through the University's health-medical insurance plan administered by John Hancock. These staff members and retirees staff employees and retirees insured through the University's health-medical executive officials, power plant, professional/administrative and research of the Sindecuse Health Center Drug Program for AFSCME, clerical/technical, administrative and research.

The new program does not replace the current prescription drug program under the major medical portion of the John Hancock plan, but is simply another option being offered to employees. Future plans call for the health center to offer some health screening and prevention options, such as pap tests and prostate screenings, as staff and facilities permit.

Science facility (Continued from page one) space. The new addition will create a formal gateway from the west to the center of campus. It is designed as two wings connected by a glass-encased area. The addition will consist of three stories plus a mechanical penthouse. Although it will have fewers levels than the 6-story Everett Tower, it will be taller due to the requirements of the rooms it contains. The first floor includes plans for teaching laboratories and research and support spaces. The second and third levels are intended to house the flexible "generic laboratory modules" and support areas. The penthouse will include mechanical equipment such as exhaust systems for the addition's fume hoods. A bridge at the third level will link the addition with Wood Hall. Besides providing science instruction and research space with state-of-the-art facilities, the new facility could also spur an increase in interdisciplinary work at the University because of the way it is designed. "All of the sciences will now be located in a horseshoe within a quadrangle bordered by Wood Hall and its addition, Everett Tower and Rood Hall," Ferraro said. "This proximity, combined with the more open environment of the new science facility, should naturally create additional opportunities for interdisciplinary research and interaction among the science and mathematics programs."
WMU participation on CAPP CARE among efforts to contain health and medical costs

WMU is among major employers in Kalazomo and Calhoun counties that are participating in CAPP CARE, a managed health-care network designed to contain costs of efforts to contain health and medical costs.

WMU joined the preferred provider organization (PPO) network Jan. 1. It represents one of a group of approved health-care providers who meet stringent credentialing and quality-care requirements. Members are eligible to discounted fees for their services and to use network providers when more convenient.

"Employees share the cost of their health care with the University," said Anne E. Thompson, human resources. "We want to be sure that all employees continue to receive affordable health-care services of the highest quality.

"WMU has about 4,000 employees. It spends about $11.5 million on employee health and medical benefits each year. WMU's arrangement with CAPP CARE in cooperation with the Southwest Michigan Health Care Coalition, a group of about 300 public and private employees which the University is a member, President Haenicke has been a leader in the search for lower health-care costs."

CAPP CARE, headquartered in Newport, Michigan, currently provides comprehensive managed care in 36 states with 75,000 providers and 3,000 facilities.

24 faculty members granted sabbatical leaves

A total of 24 faculty members were granted sabbatical leaves Dec. 16 by the Board of Trustees.

Granted leaves for the entire 1995-96 academic year were: Robert J. Balik, fine and performing arts; Ronald A. Cowell, education and professional development; H. Byron Earhart, comparative religious studies; Eugene A. Gauper, English; Raghvendra R. Gejji, religion; Nancy Eimers, English; Stephanie development and William C. Olsen, sciences; Jeanne M. Jacobson, interim chair of the Department of Economics.

WMU's arrangement with CAPP CARE is in conjunction with the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., which administers an indemnity health-medical insurance plan.

The PPO network applies only to WMU employees, their dependents and retirees under the age of 65 who are insured under the University's plan and live in Kalazomus and Calhoun counties.

Campus

Economist to speak as part of scholar programs

An expert on economics and statistics will speak Wednesday, Jan. 18, as part of the Visiting Scholars and Artists Program.

Arnold Zellner, the H.G. B. Alexander Professor of Economics and Statistics at the University of Chicago, will deliver two addresses. He will speak on "Time Series Analysis, Forecasting and Econometric Modeling" at 3 p.m. in 2440 Dunn Hall. He will also discuss "Economics, Statistics and Society" at 8 p.m. in 170 Wood Hall.

Zellner is best known for designing new econometric techniques that solve statistical problems encountered when analyzing economic data. His contributions, "Three-Stage Least Squares," "Seemingly Unrelated Regressions," "Bayesian estimation," are techniques that economists are expected to master in graduate school. The author of over 300 scholarly papers, Zellner served as president of the American Statistical Association in 1991.

His visit is being coordinated by the Department of Economics. For more information, contact Susan Pozo, economics, at 7-5553.

The Visiting Scholars and Artists Program was established in 1987 and has supported nearly 500 visits by scholars and artists.

Service

These faculty and staff members are recognized for five, 10, 15, 20 and 25 years of service to the University in January:

15 years — John C. Carr, WMU Bookstore.
25 years — Kay M. Chapman, external affairs development; Jack N. Culp, physical plant-utilities; Mark J. Evert, Miller Auditorium; Miguel A. Reames, custodial and support services; and William L. Myers, printing services.
30 years — Ralph C. Chandler, political science and public administration; Lorna C. Cooper, administrative research services; and Lambert R. VanderKooi, electrical engineering.
40 years — Ronald G. Canard, physical plant-maintenance services; Robert W. Krol, physical plant-landscape services; and William A. Williams, Valley I dining service.

Media

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Thursday, January 12
(twu th) 291 Colwell Exhibition, black and white and color photography by Lethonea A. Jones, emerita in social work, Department of Human Resources, 1240 Seibert Administration Building, weekdays, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. *(twu th) 291 Colwell Exhibition, three photographers: Liz Birkholz, Seattle, and Gloria DeFilippis Brush, Duluth, Minn., Gallery 2, Sangren Hall, weekdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Tatana Kellner, Kingston, N.Y., Space Gallery, Knauss Hall, Mondays through Thursdays, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.*
Panel discussion, "Beyond Political Correctness: Toward a More Harmonious Academic," Lee Honors College Lounge, 4 p.m.
University Film Committee showing, "Manhattan Murder Mystery" (USA, 1993), directed by Woody Allen, 2750 Knauss Hall, 6 and 8 p.m.
Meeting, Faculty Senate, Fetzer Center, 7 p.m.
*Performance, "Oliver," Miller Auditorium, 8 p.m.
Friday, January 13
Educational leadership colloquium, "China: Effects on the Educational System Projected by the Move to a Market Economy," Mary Anne Bunda, educational leader, 3310 Sangren Hall, 3 p.m.
*(and 14) Hockey, WMU vs. Colgate University, Lawson Arena, 7 p.m.
*(thru 15) Kalamazoo Film Society showing, "The Advocate," directed by Leslie Megaby, 2750 Knauss Hall: Jan. 13-14, 8 p.m.; and Jan. 15, 2:30 p.m.
Saturday, January 14
*Women's basketball, WMU vs. Ball State University, University Arena, 2 p.m.
Student recital, Richard Dietrich, percussion, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 3 p.m.
*(and 15) Minority Student Leadership Council lock-in, "Back to Basics," Student Recreation Center, 6 p.m.-6 a.m.
*(and 15) University Theatre production, Shakespeare samplings by Mixed Company, Multi-Form Theatre: Jan. 14, 8 p.m.; and Jan. 15, 2:30 p.m.
Sunday, January 15
*(thru 11) University libraries display on the life and work of Martin Luther King Jr., third floor rotunda, Waldo Library, Mondays through Thursdays, 7-4:30 a.m.-midnight; Fridays, 7-4:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; Saturdays, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; and Sundays, noon-midnight.
Women's gymnastics, WMU vs. Central Michigan University and Northern Illinois University, University Arena, 2 p.m.
Student recital, Kristin Tatarchuk, mezzo-soprano, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 4 p.m.
Monday, January 16
Martin Luther King Jr. Day, classes canceled, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; convocation, "The Courage To Do What Is Right," University Arena, 10:15 a.m.; see separate calendar below for additional activities.
Guest artist recital, Amherst String Quartet, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, January 17
Graduate College writing workshop for the preparation of doctoral dissertations, master's theses and specialist projects, Graduate College Conference Room, Seibert Administration Building, 10 a.m.
Faculty recital, Scott Thombs, trumpet; Johnny Pheregis, horn; Phyllis Ruppert, piano; and Silvia Roederer, piano; Dalton Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.