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President Haenicke will recommend freeze in room and board, apartment rental rates

For the first time in at least 25 years, WMU students will have no increase in their room and board or apartment rental rates for the next academic year, President Haenicke has announced.

Haenicke told the Board of Trustees Jan. 20 that he will recommend a freeze in this coming fall's rates at this year's level. In addition, he said, any student currently in the system plus any freshman entering this fall will be guaranteed the same rate for a second year.

"That means current students and this fall's freshmen will be guaranteed two consecutive years with no increase in room and board," Haenicke said. "This is a unique opportunity for our students."

"Such a freeze is part of long-standing efforts at WMU to hold down the cost of getting a college education," he continued. "We simply cannot allow costs to continue to spiral out of the reach of more and more students."

Haenicke is expected to make a formal recommendation to the board later this year, when room and board rates are set. About 6,000 students currently live in WMU's 22 residence halls. The

University operates 585 apartments for student families, single graduate students and non-traditional students.

In addition to the rate freeze, students will be offered a new 10-meal option that will hold the cost of room and board below \$3,500 for this fall and next winter semesters. The actual cost is \$3,472.

The cost for room and 15 meals per week will remain \$3,999 and for room and 20 meals per week, it will remain \$4,097. A no-meals option is available for \$1,672 for two semesters. All costs are the same as for the current academic year.

"Our students have told us they want lower cost and greater flexibility," Haenicke said. "These changes will help us to achieve both goals."

Under the 10-meal plan, students may enter any residence hall cafeteria 10 times for any meal between breakfast Monday and dinner Sunday each week of the semester. The 15-meal plan offers unlimited entries five days a week and the 20-meal option, unlimited entries seven days a week. All three plans provide all-you-can-eat dining.

Contract awarded for multimillion dollar renovation of power plant on Stadium Drive

The Clark Construction Co. of Lansing has been awarded a contract to serve as WMU's general contractor for the construction portion of the renovation of the University's power plant on Stadium Drive.

The Board of Trustees Jan. 20 authorized its treasurer to enter into the contract, which is valued at \$1,479,600. The company will coordinate the \$11 million construction phase of the project, for which the total cost is \$21.5 million. The contract covers overhead, personnel costs and profit.

That phase includes the preparation of the site, removal of any asbestos, construction of a new loading dock and office space, and the complete refurbishing of the existing structure, according to Evie Asken, campus planning, engineering and construction.

"The rest of the project's total cost involves the purchase of turbines, boilers, electrical controls and other equipment," Asken said. "The plant, which currently burns coal to generate steam and electricity, will be converted to use both coal and natural gas for greater efficiency."

As the general contractor, Clark also will coordinate the installation of the new equipment, she said. Construction is expected to begin immediately. The project is scheduled to be completed in August 1996. WMU assumed ownership of the

plant from the Michigan Department of Mental Health this past November.

"A selection committee determined that staff availability and experience offered by Clark best fit the University's needs on this project," said Robert M. Beam, vice president for business and finance.

The University conducted a selection process to qualify general contractors with experience in the construction and renovation of power plants. Of 20 Michigan contractors who responded to advertisements, eight were selected to receive consideration.

The selection committee interviewed four of those firms. The committee consisted of representatives of several offices within the Division of Business and Finance and a representative of the consulting engineering firm, Cummins and Barnard of Ann Arbor.

In other action, the board approved the appointment of Plante & Moran of Kalamazoo as the University's external auditor for the 1994-95 fiscal year. The firm has conducted WMU's external audit since 1990.

The board also approved existing refund policies for WMU residence halls and apartments. As of July 1, 1994, the U.S. Department of Education requires that an institution's governing board approve refund policies that apply to students. Current policies meet education department regulations regarding the calculation of refunds.

Boldi and Edwards to lead Board of Trustees for 1995

Lana L. Boldi of Kentwood and Alfred L. Edwards of Ann Arbor were elected chairperson and vice chairperson, respectively, of the Board of Trustees at its meeting Jan. 20. Both terms are for one year.

Boldi, who served as vice chairperson of the board in 1994, replaces Richard Y. St. John of Kalamazoo. Her selection is in keeping with Section One of the board's bylaws that identifies seniority as a key criterion for chairperson.

Other officers re-elected to one-year terms were: secretary, Betty A. Kocher; treasurer and assistant secretary, Robert M. Beam, who is the University's vice president for business and finance; and assistant treasurer, Lowell P. Rinker, who is WMU's assistant vice president for business.

Boldi joined the WMU board in 1989. She is an international representative and education/Community Action Program coordinator for Region I-D of the United Auto Workers based in Grand Rapids.

Active in numerous service organizations, Boldi serves on the board of the Michigan League for Human Services and four times has chaired the Labor Participation Committee of the Kent County United Way. She also is a board member for the Heart of West Michigan United Way, the Kent County Democratic Party and the Grand Valley Labor News. She is a past vice president of the West Michigan Health Systems Agency Alliance for Health, the Michigan Children's Trust Fund and the Michigan Construction Code Commission. In addition, she is a member of the 3rd District Democratic Committee and the Kent County Coalition of Labor Union Women.

Earlier in her career, Boldi worked for six years at General Motors' Kalamazoo plant, where she became the first woman apprentice in the Fisher Body Corp. She went on to become a journeyman in welding, equipment, maintenance and repair. Boldi attended WMU for three years after graduating from high school and is again

BOARD LEADERSHIP
—Serving as chairperson of the 1995 Board of Trustees will be Lana L. Boldi of Kentwood, seated, and serving as vice chairperson will be Alfred L. Edwards of Ann Arbor. Boldi, a trustee since 1989, is an international representative and education/Community Action Program coordinator for Region I-D of the United Auto Workers based in Grand Rapids. Edwards, a member of the board since 1981, is a professor emeritus of business administration at the University of Michigan.



taking classes at the University. She hopes to complete her bachelor's degree this year through WMU's Grand Rapids Regional Center.

Edwards has served on the WMU board since 1981. Although he officially retired as a professor of business administration at the University of Michigan in 1990, he continues to teach and conduct research there. He joined the U-M faculty in 1974 after teaching at Southern University in Louisiana, the University of Iowa and Michigan State University. He also has served as the deputy assistant secretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and as assistant to the commissioner of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Edwards has served as a consultant to

the Rockefeller Foundation. In addition, he is a board member and adviser with the Consortium for Graduate Study in Management, a nationwide program that encourages underrepresented minorities to pursue graduate degrees.

Last year, the U-M School of Business Administration honored Edwards by establishing the Alfred L. Edwards Collegiate Professorship. Its purpose is to further the professional development of minority students. There also is a scholarship named for him.

A graduate of Livingstone College in North Carolina, Edwards earned his master's degree from the U-M and his doctoral degree from the University of Iowa.

Did you know?

■ WMU has the largest Department of Dance in the state. With 85 students majoring in dance, the University's next highest competitor is the University of Michigan with 60 majors.

■ With its paper and printing pilot plants, WMU is the only university in the world that can take wood chips, convert them to pulp, make paper and print on the paper, all on one campus.

■ Of 1,400 business schools in the United States, WMU's Haworth College of Business is one of only 240 fully accredited by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business. The college is among the 20 largest business programs in the country and its accountancy and marketing programs are among the 10 largest.

■ WMU was the first university in Michigan to create an Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnic Relations in 1989.

■ WMU's College of Education is the fourth largest producer of school personnel in the country.

■ Western has had five names during its history: Western State Normal School, 1903-1927; Western State Teachers College, 1927-1941; Western Michigan College of Education, 1941-1955; Western Michigan College, 1955-1957; and Western Michigan University, 1957-present.

Appointment and retirements approved by board

The appointment of a new department chairperson and the retirements of eight faculty and staff members were approved Jan. 20 by the Board of Trustees.

S. Hossein Mousavinezhad has been selected as chairperson of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. His appointment is effective Jan. 2, 1995.

A WMU faculty member since 1982, he is a specialist in digital signal processing, electromagnetics and antennas, communication systems, linear systems and electric circuits.

Mousavinezhad replaces Thomas F. Piatkowski, whose return to the faculty as a professor of computer science, effective Dec. 19, 1994, was approved by the board. The trustees also approved a return to the faculty of Damodar Y. Golhar, from interim chairperson of management to professor in that department, effective Dec. 19, 1994.

In addition, the board approved the retirements of three faculty members and



Allen



Cooke



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five staff members.

The faculty members granted retirement with emeriti status, along with their years of service and effective dates, are: Dean W. Cooke, chemistry, 29-1/2 years, effective Jan. 2, 1996; and Robert W. Kaufman, political science, 35-1/2 years, effective Jan. 31, 1995. Also retiring from the faculty is Jeanne Williams, education and professional development, 11 years, effective June 30, 1995.

The staff members retiring are: Ralph W. Allen, physical plant-maintenance services, 30-1/2 years, effective Dec. 31, 1994; Carolyn R. Henning, human resources, 16 years, effective June 30, 1995; Andrew LaPekas, paper and printing science and engineering, 10-1/2 years, effective Jan. 31, 1995; Jack S. McCoy, paper and print-



Kaufman



Mousavinezhad

ing science and engineering, 12 years, effective Jan. 31, 1995; and Margaret H. Sams, residence hall life, 23 years, effective Dec. 31, 1994.

Juvenile violence is focus of Jan. 31 program

An internationally recognized public health leader will be the keynote speaker for a program on preventing juvenile violence at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at the Fetzer Center.

Deborah B. Prothrow-Stith, assistant dean of the Harvard School of Public Health, will lead the free public program titled "Juvenile Violence: A Closer Look at Prevention, Rehabilitation and Sentencing."

The event is being coordinated by the Forum for Kalamazoo County with support from WMU and several other organizations. It is part of a nationwide program of public deliberation of juvenile crime and sentencing organized by the nonpartisan National Issues Forum. The goal is to provide citizens with the opportunity to inform themselves about the issue, consider a range of policy options and work together to form a shared public judgment.

The Kalamazoo program will focus on the root causes of juvenile crime; the responsibility of government, families, communities, schools and the media; and the debate over sentencing youthful offenders as juveniles or adults.

Prothrow-Stith's experiences as a physician and as commissioner of public health for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have led her to examine violence as a societal "disease" that can be prevented through public health strategies. She developed and wrote the first violence pre-



Prothrow-Stith

International affairs plans two travel talks on China

Two travel talks on China will be presented by faculty members in the coming weeks at the University.

Thomas K. Kostrzewa, political science, will discuss "Exploring China's Minority Region" at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, in 2010 Friedmann Hall.

Silvie C. Tourigny, sociology, will speak on "HIV/AIDS Awareness in China: Health Providers and Everyday People" at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, in 3020 Friedmann Hall.

The lectures are being sponsored by the Office of International Affairs and are free and open to the public. For more information, persons may call 7-3951.

Engineering departments reorganized and renamed in Jan. 20 Board of Trustees action

Three departments in the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences have new names after action Jan. 20 by the

More than 2,500 expected for 17th annual Career Fair

Jobs for the seasoned professional and the new graduate will be the focus of the 17th annual Career Fair set for Thursday, Feb. 2.

More than 2,500 persons and representatives from some 100 organizations are expected to meet at Career Fair '95, which will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the East Ballroom of the Bernhard Center. The free event is being sponsored by career services and Delta Sigma Pi.

Designed for area college and university students and the general public, the goal of the fair is to bring together job candidates and recruiters from leading employers. Resume critiquing sessions will be available for WMU students and alumni.

Speaker to address issues concerning welfare reform

Marian Kramer, director of the National Welfare Rights Union, will speak at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, in 2303 Sangren Hall. The topic of her free address is "Welfare Reform Social Justice."

A resident of Detroit, Kramer was one of the original leaders in the Welfare Rights Organization founded by George Wiley in the 1960s. She also is a co-founder of the Up and Out of Poverty Coalition and currently serves as co-chairperson of the National Homeless Union and the Anti-Hunger Campaign.

Her visit is being sponsored by Parents Reaching for Independence and Dignity through Education, an organization of low-income, single-parent WMU students. For more information, persons may call 7-7619.

Board of Trustees.

The trustees approved the reorganization of the Department of Engineering Technology and the Department of Industrial Engineering into two new departments.

The Department of Industrial Engineering will merge with the manufacturing-related programs from the Department of Engineering Technology to create a new Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering.

To recognize the three distinct programs left in the Department of Engineering Technology, the name will change to the Department of Construction Engineering, Materials Engineering and Industrial Design.

The board also approved a name change for the Department of Electrical Engineering to the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering to better reflect the scope and emphasis of that department's programs.

In addition, the trustees approved the change in department affiliation for the affected faculty members.

All changes were effective immediately.

Meeting Friday to explore conversations on pluralism

Members of the University community are invited to attend a meeting Friday, Jan. 27, to explore ways of starting a National Conversation on American Pluralism in Kalamazoo. The meeting begins at noon in the Lee Honors College.

"The purpose of these conversations is to bring together people who do not ordinarily have an opportunity to talk with each other," said Shirley Clay Scott, chairperson of English, one of the organizers.

The community-based dialogs are sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities, Scott said.

"The conversations will enable participants to discuss the experience of living in this country in the late 20th century," said Earl M. Washington, arts and sciences, another organizer.

"The goal is to develop an understanding of each other and ourselves as citizens and residents of the United States, different in background, occupation and experience but nevertheless all members of this community," he said.

"The meeting Jan. 27 will be to explain the project and explore ways the conversations can be started and maintained in Kalamazoo," Scott said. "Anyone who is interested in participating in this effort is invited to attend."

More information is available from Scott at 7-2571; Washington at 7-4356; or Jeanne Taborn at 375-2893.



TOURING THE ZOO — Two Japanese aviation officials took time to tour the Kalamazoo Aviation History Museum Jan. 17 while they were in town to view the School of Aviation Sciences' facilities and discuss plans for bringing Japanese aviation students to WMU. From left: Larry C. Hoikka, aviation sciences; Ryuo Kushuhara, chief officer for international relations at the Japan Aviation Academy in Yamanashi; and Yasutaka Umezawa, vice chancellor of the Japan Aviation Technical College; discuss the famed "Air Zoo" collection with Joseph H. Dunlap, aviation sciences. An articulation agreement between WMU and the academy was signed a year ago and represents the first international agreement for the School of Aviation Sciences. Last summer, 23 high school students from the academy visited WMU for a one-week institute and another group will come again this summer.

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Four have new roles following consolidation and reorganization of the physical plant

Four University employees have new roles in the physical plant, representing a consolidation and reorganization of responsibilities there.

Arvon G. Farrell, formerly director of accounting in business and finance, is now responsible for financial and operational services.

George H. Jarvis, formerly manager of building systems and utility administration, is manager of the power plant while retaining some of his previous responsibilities.

Philip S. Roekle, formerly manager of operational services, is now manager of labor relations and transportation services. He replaces C. Edward Smith, who has retired as manager of transportation services, and assumes responsibility for labor relations within the physical plant.

Peter J. Strazdas, formerly construction administrator in campus planning, engineering and construction, is manager of maintenance services, replacing Ralph W. Allen, who has retired.

"This represents the assumption of additional responsibilities without additional staff," said L. John Goes, director of the physical plant. "We expect that this reorganization will result in greater efficiencies within the physical plant."

Farrell, who has been at WMU since 1989, assumed his current position Sept. 1, replacing Roekle. His responsibilities include the accounting office, computer network services and maintenance stores, all in the physical plant.

Since assuming his position, Farrell has developed a complete program for the financial administration of University utilities, including the billing of non-WMU entities that use WMU-generated power. Such clients include the Kalamazoo Regional Psychiatric Hospital and the Michigan State University/Kalamazoo Center for Medical Studies.

Jarvis, who came to WMU as an engineer in 1979, took over management of the power plant when it was transferred to WMU last November. His duties include the purchase of coal, natural gas and other utilities.

His other responsibilities include the

New compact disc features Western Jazz Quartet

The Western Jazz Quartet, a faculty ensemble in the School of Music, has released its second compact disc on the SMR Recordings label.

Titled "Blue Harts," the CD features original music by members of the group and a track composed by Steve Talaga, a recent WMU graduate.

The quartet is composed of Trent P. Kynaston on saxophone, Stephen L. Zegree on piano, Thomas Knific on bass and features Billy Hart on drums. Pianist Phil DeGreg and drummer Tim Froncek also are featured on two of the tracks.

The quartet's first CD, "Firebird," received the coveted five-star review from Down Beat Magazine. Both recordings are distributed by North Country Records of New York and are available in the Kalamazoo area at Believe in Music, KCD, Flipside Records and the WMU Bookstore.

Exchange

FOR RENT — Villa in Florida during semester break week, Feb. 26-March 5. At Orange Lake Country Club, four miles from Disney and Epcot. All conveniences, sleeps six. \$500. Call 344-2104.

FOR RENT — Condos in South Carolina: three-bedroom newly furnished condo on the Atlantic Ocean at Myrtle Beach, March 4-11; and chalet in Palmetto Dunes at Hilton Head Island, April 8-15 and June 3-10. Reasonable. Call 382-5464.

FOR SALE — Two tickets to Chicago Lyric Opera's "Barber of Seville" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11. Main floor, \$40 each. Call Bill Combs at 7-2603 or 349-8166.



Farrell



Jarvis



Roekle



Strazdas

steam trap survey program, building energy management, utility monitoring and reporting, and building and system records.

Roekle, a WMU employee since 1969, assumed his current position last April. His responsibilities include administration, vehicle dispatch and fleet service as well as labor relations.

He helped negotiate collective bargaining agreements with Local 1668 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees and the Michigan State Employees Association, the union that represents power plant workers.

Strazdas, who came to WMU in 1980 as an assistant professor of engineering technology, assumes responsibility for the maintenance of lighting, heating, air conditioning, elevators, plumbing and the repair of buildings.

Maintenance services is divided into nine campus regions, each with a supervisor reporting to Strazdas. The area employs about 100 tradespersons.

Other physical plant units and their managers include building custodial and support services, Umar Abdul-Mutakallim; landscape services, Paul McNellis; recycling services, Carolyn Noack; and remodeling services, Kenneth J. Fifelski.

A revised guide to physical plant services is expected to be published soon, Goes said.

Fierro on state commission

George E. Fierro, admissions and orientation, has been reappointed by Gov. John Engler to a second two-year term on the Michigan Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs. He also has been elected to the office of second trustee.

The commission works with federal, state and local agencies to assist Hispanic persons with problems of education, employment, civil rights, health, the elderly, housing and other related areas. It develops recommendations concerning programs, policies and statutes affecting the more than 250,000 Hispanic residents in the state.

Human resources

If stress is robbing you of fulfillment in your professional and private life, help is on the way! A **stress management seminar**, open to all employees, is scheduled for noon to 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, in 157-159 Bernhard Center.

The facilitator of the panel discussion for the seminar will be Kathy Kreager, coordinator of the University's Employee Assistance Program. Panel presenters will include: Cindy Griffith, massage therapist with Abies Chiropractic Clinic, speaking on natural health and healing; Richard M. Oxhandler, Counseling Center, discussing the influence of personal perception of ourselves and our relationships with others in creating unnecessary stress; and Molly B. Vass, Specialty Program in Holistic Health Care, speaking on the mind/body link in stress and on the use of guided imagery in relieving stress-producing experiences. Kreager and the panel will ex-

On campus



THE SPICE OF LIFE — You might say that Vonceal L. Phillips likes variety in her life — from her job to her wardrobe. An executive secretary in the provost's office, Phillips spends her days carrying out tasks for associate vice presidents Carol L. Stamm and Richard A. Wright. "It's very diverse," she says. "No day is the same. We deal with so many different situations and concerns." Her duties range from scheduling appointments and working with policies and reports to conducting research and interfacing with the Visiting Scholars and Artists Program. When not at work, Phillips runs a wardrobe consulting business. She works on a one-on-one basis with clients, and also speaks to groups. "My business stemmed

from when I used to model," she says. "I love clothes!" What's the most common problem she finds with people's wardrobes? "People hold on to so many things, thinking they're going to come around again," she says. Eventually, she hopes to open her own boutique. Phillips also enjoys traveling in her spare time. But instead of bringing home souvenirs, she usually has a few new articles of clothing in her suitcase.

Reish earns accolade from French government

Dean Joseph G. Reish, Lee Honors College, recently was honored by the government of France for his work in furthering the study of French language and culture.

Reish has been made a "chevalier" or knight in the Order of Academic Palms, a distinction accorded by the French Ministry of Education to persons who promote French language and culture through teaching, study abroad, publications and leadership positions in French cultural groups. The order dates back to the time of Napoleon when those teaching at the newly formed French universities were honored.



Reish

Reish, whose academic specialty is French language and literature, received a certificate and congratulatory messages from the French Embassy's cultural division in New York City and from the French Consul General in Chicago. He also received a medal to wear on official occasions and a purple lapel ribbon denoting the order.

A WMU faculty member since 1972, Reish also is a professor of French and served for five summers as director of WMU's Summer Study in France Program. He is the author of numerous articles on 18th century French literature and is a published poet. Reish also is a past president and a longtime board member of the French Alliance of Kalamazoo and he is a member of a University committee that is currently selecting a site in France for regular student and faculty exchanges.

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 should submit a job opportunity transfer application or sign the appropriate bid sheet during the posting period.

S-01 and S-02 clerical positions are not required to be posted. Interested University employees may contact an employment services staff member for assistance in

securing these positions.

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) **Electrician** (Third Shift), M-6, Physical Plant-Maintenance Services, 94/95-292, 1/24-1/30/95.

(R) **Police Radio Dispatcher** (Evenings and Weekends), S-07, Public Safety, 94/95-294, 1/24-1/30/95.

(N) **Student Adviser I**, P-03, Nursing, 94/95-295, 1/24-1/30/95.

(R) **Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs**, Executive Official, Haworth College of Business, 94/95-298, 1/24-1/30/95.

(R) **Plumber** (Third Shift), M-6, Physical Plant-Maintenance Services, 94/95-299, 1/24-1/30/95.

Please call the Applicant Information Service at 7-3669 for up-to-date information on the Job Opportunity Program and vacancies available to external applicants.

(N) New

(R) Replacement

WMU is an EO/AA employer

Media

Susan Pozo, economics, discusses what the passage of recent trade treaties means for America's economic future on "Focus," a five-minute interview produced by news services. "Focus" is scheduled to air Saturday, Jan. 28, at 6:10 a.m. on WKPR-AM (1420).

Calendar

The master calendar maintained by news services for use in Western News is available through Gopher on the VMScluster. To view the calendar, type Gopher at the system prompt. At the next menu, choose 2. Western Michigan University, then choose 3. Campus Calendar.

Thursday, January 26

(thru 31) University libraries display on the life and work of Martin Luther King Jr., third floor rotunda, Waldo Library, Mondays thru Thursdays, 7:45 a.m.-midnight; Fridays, 7:45 a.m.-10 p.m.; Saturdays, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; and Sundays, noon-midnight.
(thru Feb. 28) Exhibition, quilts and stitchery by Lethonee A. Jones, emerita in social work, Department of Human Resources, 1240 Seibert Administration Building, weekdays, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m.
Exhibition, three photographers: Liz Birkholz, Seattle, and Gloria DeFilipps Brush, Duluth, Minn., Gallery II, Sangren Hall, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Tatana Kellner, Kingston, N.Y., Space Gallery, Knauss Hall, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Mathematics and statistics colloquium, "Anti-Connected Digraphs," Nick Sousanis and Ken Stauffer, undergraduate mathematics majors, Commons Room, sixth floor, Everett Tower, 4 p.m.; refreshments, 3:45 p.m.
University Film Committee showing, "The Last Days of Chez Nous" (Australia, 1993), directed by Gillian Armstrong, 2750 Knauss Hall, 6 and 8 p.m.
Faculty and guest artist recital, Wendy Rose and Jethro Woodson, both bassoon, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
*(thru 28) University Theatre production, "Shakin' the Mess Outta Misery," Shaw Theatre, 8 p.m.

Friday, January 27

*Department of Dance showing, Dalton Center Dance Studio B, noon.
January Java and Jazz performance, "Sophisticated Larry," Bronco Mall Center Stage, Bernhard Center, noon.
Concert, "High Noon at Dalton," student chamber music, Dalton Center Lobby, noon.
Meeting to explain the National Endowment for the Humanities' National Conversation on American Pluralism project, Lee Honors College, noon.
Psychology colloquium, "Beyond Walden Two: Living the Experiment," Roger E. Ulrich, psychology, 3760 Knauss Hall, 4 p.m.
*Concert, Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra, Miller Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Saturday, January 28

Quilting bee for NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, Bernhard Center, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Faculty recital, Paul Austin, horn; Margaret Hamilton, horn; and Phyllis Rappeport, piano; Dalton Center Recital Hall, 3 p.m.
*Hockey, WMU vs. Michigan State University, Lawson Arena, 7 p.m.
*Performance, Slide Hampton and the JazzMasters, "Tribute to Dizzy Gillespie," Miller Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Sunday, January 29

Concert, chamber music for winds, Western Wind Quintet and Graduate Wind Quintet, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 3 p.m.
January Java and Jazz performance, "GC II," Bronco Mall Center Stage, Bernhard Center, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 31

Physics colloquium, "Photoionization Measurements Using Synchrotron Radiation," Burkhard Langer, physics, 1110 Rood Hall, 4 p.m.; refreshments, 2202 Everett Tower, 3:30 p.m.

Two faculty members to conduct research on at-risk children under new scholars program

Two faculty members in the College of Education have been selected for a new program that will give them time off from teaching duties to address the problems of children at risk of failure.

Margie J. Geasler, consumer resources and technology, and Gunilla Holm, education and professional development, will be the first participants in the Center Scholars Program of the Center for Research on At-Risk Students. The center is an interdisciplinary research unit formed in 1994 to investigate the broad problems of children who are at risk of failure because of socioeconomic status, substance abuse and physical and neurological abnormalities as well as being part of specific high-risk groups such as migrant children.

With funding from the college, the two will work under reduced teaching loads that will allow them to dedicate more time to developing concept papers and research proposals and to pursue a specific research strand. The center will provide research support services and professional development activities that will help the Center Scholars successfully develop applied research ventures. Holm will spend 50 percent of her time during the current winter semester on her research. Geasler will conduct her research by applying 50 percent of her time to the projects during both the winter and fall semesters of 1995. Three additional scholars will be selected for the fall and winter 1995-96 semesters to conduct similar work.

Geasler will focus on risk factors associated with divorcing parents and on the development of a master's program in family therapy/family life education. Holm will explore methods for preparing future teachers to instruct at-risk students. She also will conduct research on the risk factors triggered by teenage pregnancy and motherhood — both for teen mothers and their offspring.

"The problems of at-risk children are



Geasler



Holm

critically important and our faculty need to be engaged in research on these issues," says Floyd L. McKinney, associate dean for research and graduate programs in the College of Education and director of the center. "This program is a recognition of the fact that serious research requires time for dialogue and time to develop complex, long-term research projects that will attract federal funding."

The Center Scholars Program is an unusual move for the college, McKinney says, because it represents a targeted, programmatic effort to initiate applied research projects. Such release time for research development has in the past, he notes, only been granted in isolated cases and did not include the support services needed for proposal development.

"This represents a substantial commitment on the part of the college during a time of tightening resources," McKinney says.

Craig A. Hubble, the center's coordinator for program development and services, will work with the two scholars to conduct literature searches and to identify funding sources and appropriate collaborating partners. He also will help them develop competitive research proposals that meet the requirements of federal agencies. Such federal funding typically is carried out in five-year cycles and is awarded to projects that are complex in nature and include long-term, holistic approaches to specific problems.



SNOWING AND BLOWING — Last weekend's snow storm had WMU's landscape services crews out in force trying to get roads and parking lots ready for business Monday morning. "We plowed some of the lots three or four times," said Paul MacNellis, who's in charge of the snow removal crews. The top of Parking Structure I provided a particular challenge, since there's no where for the snow to go but down. Chad H. Avery used a snow blower on the front of his pick-up to send the piles over the sides of the ramp. There are more than 100 acres of parking lots, 39 miles of sidewalks and 16 miles of road to be plowed as well as 75,000 square feet of steps to be hand-shoveled on campus, according to MacNellis. He and his crews have developed a prioritized plan to ensure that areas are cleared in the most efficient way possible.

Program, "Juvenile Violence: A Closer Look at Prevention, Rehabilitation and Sentencing," Deborah Prothrow-Stith, assistant dean of the Harvard School of Public Health, and a panel of local experts, Fetzer Center, 7 p.m.

*(thru Feb. 2) Performance, "Jesus Christ Superstar," Miller Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, February 1

Office of International Affairs travel talk, "Exploring China's Minority Region," Thomas K. Kostrzewa, political science, 2010 Friedmann Hall, 3:30 p.m.
*Men's basketball, WMU vs. the University of Akron, University Arena, 7 p.m.
Lecture, "Welfare Reform Social Justice," Marian Kramer, director of the National Welfare Rights Union, 2303 Sangren Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 2

(thru 22) Exhibition by faculty painters from the Illinois State University Department of Art, Gallery II, Sangren Hall, weekdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Space Gallery, Knauss Hall, Mondays thru Thursdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
17th annual Career Fair, East Ballroom, Bernhard Center, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Psychology colloquium, "Organizational Behavior Management," Aubrey Daniels, Aubrey Daniels and Associates, 3760 Knauss Hall, 4 p.m.
University Film Committee showing, "Spanking the Monkey" (USA, 1994), directed by David O. Russell, 2750 Knauss Hall, 6 and 8 p.m.
Meeting, Faculty Senate, Fetzer Center, 7 p.m.
*Concert, University Jazz Orchestra and Jazz Lab Band, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
*Admission charged

Trio gauging satisfaction of defense customers

Measuring the satisfaction level of customers who use the federal government's parts and information cataloging system will be the goal of a new contract awarded to WMU researchers.

A \$65,604 contract has been awarded by the Defense Logistics Services Center in Battle Creek to a trio of marketing and survey specialists at WMU. The work will be directed by Lowell E. Crow, associate dean of the Haworth College of Business. Project co-directors are Andrew A. Brogowicz, chairperson of marketing, and Sue R. Crull, Kercher Center for Social Research.

The DLSC, part of the U.S. Department of Defense, is an agency that catalogs all of the parts and products used by the federal government. The agency maintains two major databases. One contains information on more than 6.4 million active parts and products in the system. The second contains information on more than 25 million engineering drawings, blueprints and other technical data that is stored at Department of Defense facilities.

The DLSC's clients include all branches of the armed services, civil agencies and private industries as well as a number of other nations who purchase parts and equipment. The information for DLSC clients is available via computer, on CD-ROM or in printed catalogs. Information tailored to fit individual client needs is provided by hard copy, floppy disk, magnetic tape or CD-ROM. The cataloging system maintained by the DLSC serves as the basis for the

logistics system used by all North Atlantic Treaty Organization members, assuring compatibility of part numbers between the United States and NATO countries.

The goal of the WMU project is to develop survey tools to measure satisfaction of the DLSC's different customer groups. Once ready for use, telephone and mail surveys will be conducted by the WMU researchers to measure the satisfaction level of a representative sampling of current DLSC customers. The survey will be developed in cooperation with DLSC personnel who also will be learning to administer similar surveys in future customer satisfaction measurements.

"We're going to develop a long-term method that DLSC personnel will be able to use on a regular basis," Crow says. "The survey tools are being developed and the studies are being completed to help the center meet the terms of a recent presidential executive order requiring all federal agencies to measure their customers' satisfaction with the products and services they provide."

Crow says most of the work will be done in Battle Creek so that agency personnel can take part in the process and learn how to conduct the surveys. The project is expected to take about a year to complete.

"WMU has had a long relationship and a strong commitment to Battle Creek and its business community," Crow says. "We look forward to the relationship continuing with this project."