Carr pledges support for aviation program in Battle Creek

U.S. Rep. Bob Carr (D-East Lansing) pledged his support for the expansion of the University’s School of Aviation Sciences after briefing Feb. 17 in Battle Creek.

“It’s an excellent plan,” Carr said after he was briefed by Joseph H. Dunlap, director of the School of Aviation Sciences. “It’s supportable.”

Dunlap asked Carr’s help in identifying another $5 million in federal support for the project, which already has received a $6 million grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation to expand the aviation school and move it to the W.K. Kellogg Airport in Battle Creek, which is on the city’s outskirts.

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A connection in Malaysia has led a British university administrator to WMU for four months to study admissions and recruitment efforts.

Janet Graham, admissions officer at Leicester University in Leicester, England, arrived on campus Jan. 9. She has been working with WMU’s Office of International Affairs and the Office of Admissions to help the university in helping them in their recruitment efforts.

Graham is in charge of admissions and recruitment at Leicester (pronounced leister) and has been a member of the university administration for 14 years. She is interested in learning more about the process of school and college admissions and in how it compares to the process at WMU.

The WMU plan also calls for acquiring surplus military aircraft and includes a component to recruit more minority students and women into aviation. The project also would establish an academy to train pilots under contract with airlines.

“I look forward to working with the folks at Western Michigan University in helping them in any way I can to make sure that we have a good facility here to carry on a world-class aviation program,” said Carr, who is chairperson of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation.

Carr said he would support a program in Congress that would award funds on the basis of competitive proposals to replace the recently terminated airway sciences program. That program awarded grants primarily on the basis of political connections.

“We need to have a program that is authorized by Congress, in which there are hearings and competitive proposals from around the country, to fill the need — which I will acknowledge — in the aviation trades,” Carr said. “We are going to have a shortage of trained pilots and trained maintenance technicians.

“And that’s going to be a problem not only for the private sector but for the public sector as we move forward into a higher technology age,” he said. “So I like what’s being done by Western Michigan University.

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STUDENT EMPLOYMENT WEEK — For the first time this year, the student employment referral service sought nominations and presented plaques for two special awards during Student Employment Week. From left, M. M. Sverns, Sindecuse Health Center, was honored as "Supervisor of the Year" and Kenneth M. Mason, a junior from Williamston, was honored as "Student of the Year" by Theresa A. Powell, director of the employment referral service.

Of central supply in the health center, was cited by one of her students for the hard work and conscientious example she sets on the job. Mason, who was hired as a student drafter after graduating from Williamston High School, was recognized for going above and beyond the requirements of his job to serve in several other capacities in the area. The week is designed to recognize the significant contributions student employees make to the daily operations of the University.

Tribute to Davidson edited by Batch and Steel

A collection of medieval-era music compiled over a quarter century by a retired WMU faculty member has been analyzed and edited for publication by two of her colleagues.

Medieval manuscripts and early printed books that have been transcribed into musical scores and stage productions by Audrey Ekhardt Davidson, emerita in music, have been published by WMU's Medieval Institute Publications into a book called "A Selection of Early Music from the Repertoire of the Society for Old Music." Transcribed by Audrey Ekhardt Davidson and Published as a Tribute to Her on Her Retirement." The publication contains musical scores and stage plays transcribed by Davidson, who taught at WMU from 1965 until 1993, from various medieval sources. The music was used for concerts of the Society for Old Music, a Kalamazoo organization dedicated to the preservation of music from the medieval-renaissance period and a performance venue for individuals interested in the music.

Davidson is a founding member of the Society for Old Music, which began in 1966, and served as its musical director for more than a decade.

The publication's text was edited by Nicholas C. Batch, finance and commercial law, who is a long-time member of the Society for Old Music. Matthew C. Steel, music, who is director of the School of Music's Collegium Musicum, edited the book's music.

Davidson is known for her work in liturgical drama and modernizations of music from the 10th through the 17th centuries. She has also brought to light music of women composers from those periods. The volume of selected music from her research features two motets by Isabella Leonarda, who was a 17th century nun and composer from Italy.

The publication also features Davidson's critically acclaimed score of a 12th century music drama written by Hildegard of Bingen, a female composer and mystic, titled "The Odo Vinctum of Hildegard of Bingen: Critical Studies."

In addition, the volume includes Davidson's research on "flagellant" songs. Flagellants in the Middle Ages were people who whipped their backs to inflict injury and pain in order to sympathize with the suffering and passion of Jesus Christ. Other pieces include a song from Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales" that was performed during the first concert of the society, "Dame of Death" from Spain and music from medieval and renaissance Sweden.

According to Steel, the publication will be useful to performers in early music groups like the Society for Old Music, and scholars of the medieval period, the Renaissance and women in early music. He believes the repertoire is full of interesting music history that only a few scholars like Davidson have studied.

"Scholars of medieval studies and persons interested in studying some of the unusual repertoires that have come from the Middle Ages and the Renaissance should show tremendous interest in this selection," Steel says.

Walwood renovation praised by local historical group

The recent renovation of Walwood Hall and Union on WMU's East Campus has earned WMU a plaque from the Kalamazoo Commission for Historical Preservation. Lynn Houghton, immediate past chairperson of the commission, presented the university officials with a plaque during ceremonies Feb. 18 in the building's lobby. The award is in recognition of "faithful restoration and rehabilitation," she said.

The building, located on the corner of Holland Drive and Ann Street, originally opened in 1938 as a women's residence hall and a student union. In recent years as business shifted to the University's West Campus, the building fell into disuse. In 1991-92, Walwood Hall and Union underwent an extensive renovation. It is now home to several WMU units, including the WMU Foundation, McKee Alumni Center, Office of the Vice President for External Affairs and General Counsel, legislative bargaining and contract administration, affirmative action, Office of the Vice President for Research, Institute of Cisterciian Studies, Medieval Institute and School of Public Affairs and Administration.

"We toured Walwood in 1992 and were overwhelmed by what had been done to that building," Houghton said. "WMU has adapted the building into new and wonderful uses. Projects like these deserve recognition."

During the renovation, special care was taken to preserve some of the building's historical attributes, according to Patrick M. Halpin, campus planning, engineering and construction.

"We tried to upgrade the building for modern use while saving the character of the building and preserving the architect's original design," he said.

Teams of WMU students working under grant to improve communication in area schools

Teams of WMU students are working this winter and spring to improve communication between the education and health care professional who serve children in three West Michigan communities.

A $10,800 grant from Michigan Campus Compact to the University's Interdisciplinary Rural Health Project is supporting work in Pullman and Grand Junction as interns in teaching and in a number of allied health disciplines work together to monitor the progress of children with whom both groups work. Student health care interns also will work in Plainwell to add another profession to the growing early childhood intervention program in that community.

According to Kathi Fulker, coordinator of the rural health education project, health professionals who work in elementary schools and community health care-delivery systems through a "pull-out" program have seen children from the classroom to give the individualized assistance they need. Such health professionals include social workers, occupational therapists and speech-language and hearing specialists. The children return to the classroom at the end of each session, often with little or no communication between the health professional and the classroom teacher.

"The idea is to get teachers and allied health providers to communicate and provide feedback that both can use in working with the child," Fulker says. "Our students will be working with their supervisors to spearhead an effort to generate more open communication and problem solving.

Student teacher interns in the Pullman and Grand Junction elementary schools will work with student health interns to identify and monitor the progress of specific cases to improve the health services offered to children by overcoming communication barriers. While the students are bearing the effort, the effort has a very practical aim: to increase the diagnostic support of the professionals who are supervising them.

One project builds on the four-year-old rural health education project that began placing health care interns in several West Michigan communities to introduce students to the possibilities of rural health care as a career option. This year, after discussions between the College of Health and Human Services and the College of Education, Sandra J. Odell, education and professional development, led an effort to place student teacher interns in the same communities.

"As the case with our rural health care interns, many of the teacher interns come from a rural background and are interested in pursuing careers in that type of setting," Fulker says.

In Plainwell, a project called Even Start is part of the comprehensive services offered by the Plainwell Community Schools. The program takes parent educators into the homes of children up to 18 months old to help parents improve their parenting skills and provide information about steps parents can take to improve health and school readiness.

"At the request of the Plainwell school district, we have been asked to work in fields of occupational therapy, social work and speech pathology and radiology as well as physical education, to provide hospitalization and informal assessment on children when parents and parent educators request them.

In Pullman and Grand Junction, the student interns will join forces with officials from the school district and the Allegan County Health Department to present a day-long event for families in the area. The event will include health screenings, immunizations and information on parent/child activities and health care.

The Interdisciplinary Rural Health Project in the College of Health and Human Services was established in 1990 with a three-year grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and was designed to address rural populations' declining access to health care.

Breakfast program to focus on international students

"Coming to America" is the topic for the next breakfast meeting for alumni and friends of the WMU Alumni Association.

The event will begin with a continental breakfast at 7:30 a.m. in the Petitor Center. It will feature a panel of international students discussing their adjustment to WMU and Kalamazoo, Barbara C. Garland, interna-
tional student services, will serve as moderator.

The event is being sponsored by the WMU Alumni Association and is the final program in a year-long series titled "Good Morning, Kalamazoo!" The cost is $6 for association members or $7 for non-members. Persons are requested to make reservations by Friday, March 11, by calling the McKee Alumni Center at 7-4777.
F. William McCarty, chairperson of international commer-
cial law, will spend next fall in Japan teaching.

business to American college students studying in that na-
tion.

McCarty has been appointed as a Vis-
ing Scholar for the fall 1994 semester at the Japan Center for Michigan Universities in Hikone, Shiga Prefecture, Japan. He is the first WMU faculty member to be selected for the honor.

The Japan Center for Michigan Uni-
versities is a joint project between the state of
Michigan and the Shiga Prefecture in Japan. Shiga Prefecture built a center to offer opportunities for students from Michigan universities and other universities in the United States and elsewhere to study Japanese and to learn about Japanese culture while taking selected additional classes. The Japan Center's pro-
gram is coordinated by a board of directors housed at Michigan State University.

While at the center, McCarty will teach an international business class and will continue his research on doing business in Japan. McCarty teaches international business law at WMU and serves as the Hillsorris College of Business' advisor to students who minor in interna-
tional business.

McCarty, who will be on sabatical leave for the entire 1994-95 academic year, also will be using his time in Japan to conduct research on the regulation of banks and other financial institutions in Japan, Europe and the United States.

A faculty member at WMU since 1970, McCarty has held his current position since 1985. Prior to coming to WMU, he worked as an attorney with the Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Co. and with a private law firm, both in Chicago.

22nd annual Seminar for Office Personnel set

Topics ranging from diversity and polit-
ics in the workplace to stress management will be discussed at WMU's 22nd annual Seminar for Office Personnel Wednesday, March 23, at the Fetzer Center.

The seminar, which runs from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., will begin with a welcome by Joel P. Bowman, chairperson of business information systems.

Among those who will discuss goal-setting and Neurolinguistic Programming (NLP) in her keynote address, "Motivating Yourself Into Professional Image" with Nancy Fulton, co-founder of First Impressions, a business.

"Laughter Works — An Approach to Stress Management" with Kay Caskey, a counselor in the Psychology Department, will enable administrative employees to observe the power of humor in health, stress manage-
ment, and health and humor.

Earl E. Halvas, business information systems chairman, will discuss "Entrepreneur Assistance Resources," which identifies resources and sources of information available for small business owners in order to cope with the changing economic climate in the United States. The seminar focused on changing economic climate in the United States, Germany, and Italy.

The seminar was sponsored by the Division of Business Information Systems. The cost of the seminar, which includes lunch, is $80 and the registration deadline is Friday, March 18. For more information, persons may call the department at 7-5410.

Office wins national award for program for libraries

A one-day program to help public libraries in developing strategies for entrepreneurial programs was the recipient of the William M. McCarty Award for a program that has earned WMU's Office of Conferences and Institutes a prestigious national award.

C. Ed Carlson, history, and William M. McCarty, chairperson of Business Information Systems, were awarded the 1994 Creative Programming Award to WMU for "Entrepreneur Assistance Resources." This award recognizes creativity and originality in short-term continuing education programming in relation to its program theme, development and design.

"Entrepreneur Assistance Resources" was developed by Joan Gray and Alison Thor, Office of Conferences and Institutes, in con-
roadway applications, design: Joan Gray. Associate librarian, John Gray, South-West Michigan Library Cooperative. "Entrepreneur Assistance Resources" was one of five programs presented for the group last year.

Media

Two faculty members will be guests in the coming weeks on "Focus," a five-minute news feature produced for the radio news service, is scheduled to be aired on those Saturdays at 6:10 a.m. on WKNP AM (1420)

During the morning, representatives from the Edward Lowe Foundation outlined the "Entrepreneur Assistance Resources." A videotape covering the National and Community Service Trust Act, signed into law by President Carter, is available for checkout from the student em-
ployment referral service.

For more information or to reserve the video, persons should call Lynn C. Bryan, student employment referral service, at 7-2725.

Carr

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ation, I think, is very important. Reaching out to women and minorities for trades which have been overwhelmingly dominated by white males, giving them opportunities, is very important.

While this program is really getting ready to take off," he said.

Carr, who is a candidate for the U.S. Senate, said he would support funds for WMU through a program authorized by Congress whether he remains in the House or moves to the Senate.

"I believe that we will have some kind of an authorized program, which will be funded, and I believe that dollars to the WMU program whether I'm in the House or the Senate," he said. "Because of the local par-
ticipation, WMU needs to be a partner. To encourage Michigan businesses and other Western Michigan Un-
iversity will compete very favorably in a national competition for funds that will come in the future.

Carr said the office could be of assistance in acquiring surplus military aircraft. "I've made a commitment with the Michigan State Police to try and locate surplus military equipment for the Michigan State Police," he said. "And I think WMU could really help with that one," he said.

WMU's aviation program currently oc-
cupies about 27,000 square feet of space at the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport. It moves to the Kellogg Air-
port, it will immediately occupy 60,000 square feet of completely remodeled space.

When not at work, Huss sings with "Consider the Lilies," a contemporary Christian trio, and leads music at Victory Baptist Church. A graduate of Belmont University in Nashville with a bachelor's degree in music, Huss found a way to pay the bills and continue his interest in music by taking temporary secretarial jobs in Tennessee, Mississippi and Kentucky and singing in his spare time. A native of this area, he returned to Kalamazoo and worked full time at Bronson Methodist Hospital. He is joining the WMU staff. Working in campus planning is more in keeping with Huss' artistic side than one might think. "I enjoy working here because it's a very creative atmosphere with the architects, engineers and designers," he says. "It's exciting to watch them take ideas from drawings to finished buildings.

Exchange

For more information or to reserve the video, persons may call 7-2725.

Facts on file

Top Home Countries of WMU International Students, Fall 1993

Country # of Students

Malaysia 457
Japan 176
India 141
Spain 86
Taiwan 81
South Korea 52
Thailand 53
Indonesia 52
Saudi Arabia 46

WMU enrolled 1,623 international students from 81 countries on campus in fall 1993, up 1.9 percent from fall 1992.

Source: Office of the Registrar

WMU is an EO/AE employer

On campus

IN TUNE WITH HIS JOB — David J. Huss has found work for his voice, both in his vocation and his avoca-
tion. As a secretar-
ial planning, engineer-
ng and construction, he spends much of his time on the telephone with contractors, sales re-
presentatives, architects, designers, state person-
nel and other Univer-
sity employees. He also greets visitors, sorts mail, handles schedul-
ing and does sens-
ing for the office. "We're very busy be-
cause we're making construction projects going on," says Huss, who has worked at the University for about a year and a half. "Originally thought summer was the busiest time, but I've learned that all the time is busy."}

WMU's Division of Continuing Edu-
cation has a member of the NEA since the 1980s and has been the recipient of 14 previous national awards from the organi-
ization. It also has earned two American College Testing Program/NUCEA Innova-
tion in Continuing Education Awards and four NECEA regional awards.

Student evaluations sought

The Student Employment Office will soon be mailing student employee evalu-
ations forms to student supervisors.

Supervisors are requested to complete an evaluation for each student employee on staff, regardless of funding source. The evaluations are intended to assist the student employment referral ser-
vice by Monday, March 28, and will be kept on file. For additional forms or questions, persons may call 7-2725.
Thursday, February 24

(25) Spirit Awareness Week.

(25) Exhibition, "Celebrating Urban Culture," oil paintings by James Watkins, Kalama Artyst, Department of Human Resources, 1240 Seibert Administration Building, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m.

(25) Western Michigan chapter of the American Institute of Architects traveling 1993 Award winners exhibits, 157 Administration Building, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.

(25) Doctoral oral examination, "The Relationship Among One's Beliefs Regarding Divine Authority and Education," Matthew L. Tremblay, Robinson, education and counseling psychology, 3210 Sangren, 9:30 a.m.

(25) Exhibitions, Student Art Gallery, East Hall, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.: BFA show in sculpture by Barbara Brown, Rotunda Gallery; and BFA show in painting by Grant Johnston, South Gallery.

University computing services and faculty development services videoconference, "Classroom Technology and Management," clock tower conference room, University Computing Center, 1-3 p.m.; call 7-5350 for registration.

*University computing services workshop, "Advanced Electronic Mail Using PMDF for Workstations," 2003 University Computing Center, 1-3 p.m.; call 7-5430 for registration information.

Friday, February 25

Last-minute job shopping, in-person class sessions, academic records office, third floor, Seibert Administration Building, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

*Second annual "Entrepreneur’s Day" conference, Fetzer Center, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; call 7-5350 for registration.

*University computing services workshops, 2033 University Computing Center: "Introduction to the Internet," 9-11:30 a.m.; and "Intermediate Microsoft Excel (MAC)," 1-3 p.m.; call 7-5430 for registration information.

Student employment referral service internship information workshop, career services conference room, first floor, Ellsworth Hall, 1 p.m.; advance registration required by calling 7-5772.

*Performance, "Madama Butterfly," the New York City Opera National Company, Miller Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Saturday, February 26

*Women’s basketball vs. Kent State University, Lawson Arena, 1 p.m.

*Men's basketball vs. Milwaukee University, Lawson Arena, 3 p.m.

*Hockey, WMU vs. Michigan State University, Lawson Arena, 7 p.m.

Sunday, March 1

*Men's basketball vs. Northwestern University, Lawson Arena, 2 p.m.

Monday, March 2

*Women's basketball vs. Miami University, Lawson Arena, 1 p.m.

*Men's basketball vs. Miami University, Lawson Arena, 3 p.m.

*Hockey, WMU vs. the University of Illinois at Chicago, Lawson Arena, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, March 8

*University computing services workshops, 2033 University Computing Center: "Introduction to the Internet," 9-11:30 a.m.; and "Introduction to Aldus Persuasion," 1-3 p.m.; call 7-5430 for registration information.

*University computing services workshops, 2033 University Computing Center: "Learning WordPerfect's Merge Feature," 9-11 a.m.; and "Introduction to Authorizing Systems," 1-3 p.m.; call 7-5430 for registration information.

*Women's basketball vs. Michigan Lighthouses, aerial photographic perspective by John L. L. Graham, Department of Human Resources, 1240 Seibert Administration Building, weekdays, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m.

*Conference on "Shadowlands," Miller Auditorium, 8 p.m.

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Wednesday, March 9

*Student employment referral service internship information workshop, career services conference room, first floor, Ellsworth Hall, 10 a.m.; advance registration required by calling 7-5772.

*Performance, "之一" (One...), Denver Center for the Performing Arts, 8 p.m.

*Women's basketball vs. Miami University, Lawson Arena, 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 10

*University computing services workshop, "Electronic Mail Using PMDF Mail for VMS," 3-5 p.m.; call 7-5430 for registration information.

*University film series, "Elton John Live," University Union, 8 p.m.

Friday, March 11

*Buster's Brown and Gold Blowout," which was a reception honoring students, faculty and staff, and the Gold Student Awards. In England, students receive a scholarship that helps them pay their way. There is little opportunity for on-campus management to the universities. She says she finds the most similar difference Graham notes is in the enrollment management office's role in helping an institution achieve and maintain operational prominence. Students in England fill out one application form and can choose up to eight of the 190 colleges and universities that participate in the clearing services. This clearinghouse then sends the information to the colleges and universities selected.

When filling out the form, the students also must choose their major. The admissions process is less expensive and the students are becoming more discerning customers. "This 'cradle to grave' approach recognizes that enrollment cannot be maintained just by the admissions office recruiting students," Henderson says. "In a time of declining numbers of high school seniors, we must have a comprehensive, integrated approach to recruiting and retaining students. Each of the enrollment management offices has recruitment and retention activities, and the collaboration strengthens us overall.

Graham says universities in the United Kingdom are going through some of the same changes as their American counterparts. She hopes that learning more about enrollment management will prepare her for the challenges she will face once she gets back to England.

"Higher education in the United Kingdom is currently undergoing considerable change in relation to funding arrangements, the growth in the number of universities, the merger of the main Adams, clearing houses, the widening of access to universities and the increasing diversity of applicants' academic backgrounds," Graham says. "These and other factors have led to increasing competition between universities in attracting prospective applicants at a time when students are becoming more discerning customers."

After only a couple months at WMU, Graham says she is already full of ideas. "I am excited about what I have learned so far and I am still enthusiastic and keen to learn more about Western and its activities before I return to England in April," she says. "I would like to share my ideas with my colleagues back at Leicester."

She says she feels especially fortunate to be visiting this year, when Henderson will become president-elect of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admission Officers. "He has this national presence as well as his presence here at the University. That's very useful," she says. Graham will be attending the AACRAO convention in Boston on her way back to England in April. Graham says some of her more interesting experiences have not been limited to her work on campus. Her first expedition to a grocery store was to Meijer. "We don't have stores quite that huge," she says. "Everything is bigger here. The fruit is bigger. The cars are bigger."

She's also attended events at Miller Auditorium, gone downhill skiing for the first time and seen a few movies. In fact, she missed the last 20 minutes of "Schindler's List," due to the release of pepper gas at a local theater. Her only bout with homesickness has been while taking in "Shadowlands." Although the train station used in the movie is portrayed as Oxford, it's actually a pre-fab building on her hometown of Leicester.