Rec center/fieldhouse to be dedicated Monday, Aug. 29

The University community is invited to the dedication of the Student Recreation Center and Read Fieldhouse Complex at 2 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29, on the plaza at the northwest corner of the center.

A tour of the complex will follow. The two buildings, joined by an elevated walkway, are the major parts of $50 million in expanded and renovated student recreation and intercollegiate athletics facilities.

The project, supported by student fees, is the result of a decade of preparation, planning, design and construction. It was approved by the Board of Trustees in March 1991 and construction began a year later.

"This will be a happy occasion for all of us as we dedicate some of the finest facilities for recreation and athletics in the Midwest," said President Haenicke. "They provide the missing link to a complete quality of life on our campus."

Vernon Payne, University recreation programs and facilities, and Daniel L. Meinert, intercollegiate athletics, will serve as masters of ceremonies. Richard Y. St. John of Kalamazoo, chairperson of the Board of Trustees, will represent the board.

Representing the Western Student Association will be John D. Fleckenstein, past president, and David Q. Worthams, president. Paula A. DeLanoy, a member of the volleyball team from Sterling Heights, will represent student athletes.

James J. Cole Jr., executive vice president of the A.J. Elkin Construction Co. of Farmington Hills and Kalamazoo, will represent the construction management firm, which served as the general contractor. Haenicke will represent the University administration.

Next News will be Sept. 1

This is the last issue of Western News for the summer session. The News will resume weekly publication in its larger format this fall. The first issue will be published Thursday, Sept. 1. The deadline for that issue is noon Tuesday, Aug. 30.

18 selected for $25,000 Medallion Scholarships

Eighteen students successfully competed against the best of the 1994 high school graduating class and each have been awarded a prestigious Medallion Scholarship to begin their college studies at WMU this fall.

The scholarships, each valued at $25,000 over four years, are among the largest merit-based awards in American public higher education. Recipients were selected following a competition in which only this year's top applicants for admission to WMU were invited to participate. The 18 Medallion winners, who have a collective grade point average of 3.99 and an average American College Test score of 30, competed against nearly 1,000 talented applicants from 11 states for the award.

The scholarships were made possible by private donors through the WMU Foundation. Each award bears the name of that donor or the name of the individuals in whose honor the scholarship was established.

The recipients, their high schools, their intended programs of study and the names of the scholarships are:

- Margaret L. Bullard of Battle Creek, Lakeview High School, University curriculum, the John and Frances Flynn Medallion Scholarship.
- Jennifer M. Chupp of Muskegon, Reeths Puffer High School, University curriculum, the Harold and Beulah McKee Endowed Medallion Scholarship.
- Jennifer L. Dyga of Comstock Park, West Catholic High School, English, history and secondary education, the Charles J. and Ida C. Giedeman Memorial Humanities Medallion Scholarship.
- Christopher A. Meyer of Livonia, Benjamin Franklin High School, social science, the Marie Stevens Medallion Scholarship.
- Melanie M. Morneau of Royal Oak, Kimball High School, elementary education, the William McKinley and Cornelia Robinson Education Medallion Scholarship.
- Kevin A. Oberlin of Holland, Holland High School, music performance, the Charles and Donna Elliott Medallion Scholarship.
- Jaime L. Pinchot of Barrington, Ill., Lake Zurich Senior High School, occupational therapy, the Richard and Barbara Hughey Medallion Scholarship.
- Sean W. Ratliff of Rockford, Rockford High School, University curriculum, the Zack York Medallion Scholarship.
- Marcus D. Reynolds of Salem, Ore., Sprague High School, music performance, the Gwen Frostic Medallion Scholarship.
- Sarah M. Riley of Mount Pleasant, Mount Pleasant High School, communication, the Dorothy McGinnis Medallion Scholarship.
- Heather L. Rogers of Rochester Hills, Rochester Adams High School, University curriculum, the Karl and Joyce Sandelin Medallion Scholarship.
- Timothy J. Runnells of Frankenmuth, Frankenmuth High School, paper engineering, the Barbara and Frank Somers Medallion Scholarship.
- Bryan G. Sauer of Oconomowoc, Wis., biomedical sciences, the Willard and Peg Brown Medallion Scholarship.
- Sydney N. Skinner of Detroit, Cass Technical High School, music performance, the Merze Tate Endowed Medallion Scholarship.
- Tracy L. Steffes of Clinton Township, Chippewa Valley High School, political science and history, the William and Betty Morrison Medallion Scholarship.
- Nadia Tremonti of Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe South High School, biomedical sciences, the WMU Alumni Association Medallion Scholarship.
- Amy E. Vought of Sterling Heights, Henry Ford II High School, chemistry, the David D. Kruglak Medallion Scholarship.
- Lyndsay G. Wherley of Frankfort, Ill., Lincoln-Way High School, University curriculum, the George and Jacqueline Mallinson Medallion Scholarship.

The winners were selected based on their participation in the 10th annual Medallion Scholarship Competition this past winter on campus. It included written testing and oral problem solving activities for students and information sessions for their parents.