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Board OKs planning for research, business park *Haenickes make \$100,000 gift to University libraries*

The Board of Trustees approved a recommendation April 26 to proceed with master planning for the development of a research and business park on about 300 acres of land the University owns near Drake Road and Parkview Avenue.

Most of the property to be developed is located in the southwest part of the city of Kalamazoo. It includes the University's Lee Baker Farm and an adjacent parcel in Oshkemo Township, both south of Parkview Avenue near U.S. 131, as well as the Colony Farm Orchard north of Parkview Avenue and west of Drake Road.

The Asylum Lake property north of Parkview Avenue and east of Drake Road has never been a part of the proposed park.

"This is an important step forward for the University and the community," President Haenicke said. "This new partnership is consistent with our role as one of the state's five research-oriented public universities, and it supports a key part of our mission, which is to foster economic development."

"This park will enable WMU to return land

unused by the University to the tax base, bring new jobs to West Michigan and enhance the research capacity and reputation of the University," Haenicke said. "We shall be critically concerned with preserving and enhancing environmental quality."

"I am encouraged by the Board of Trustees' support of this endeavor," he said.

The project is expected to move ahead as a joint effort of the community and the University, said Richard T. Burke, vice president for regional education and economic development.

"Our plans call for continuing work with the community and neighborhood groups to secure their input into the framing of the project plan," Burke said.

With Board of Trustees approval of the project, master planning can proceed. That will include: data collection, inventory and mapping; a history of property ownership and use; environmental and site analysis; limits of development analysis; and land use scenarios, including the selection of a preferred scenario.

President and Mrs. Haenicke have made a deferred gift of \$100,000 to the WMU Foundation with all proceeds going to the University libraries.

This is in addition to an unrestricted \$25,000 cash gift that the Haenickes have given to the foundation's "Campaign for Excellence" capital campaign.

"Carol and I will complete our campaign pledge for the unrestricted cash gift fairly soon," President Haenicke said. "After that we would like to go on contributing to this University, which has given us so much."

"Diether and I both love libraries and consider them central to all teaching and learning," said Carol Haenicke, a professional librarian in Portage. "We will therefore direct our second gift to the University libraries where we hope it will benefit all those who enjoy reading as much as we do."

Senate to meet tonight

The Faculty Senate will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 9, in the Red Rooms of the Bernhard Center. The agenda includes an information item on the University Computer Policy Report and an action item on the Policy on Misconduct in Research and Creative Activities.

Room and board, fee increases approved by Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees April 26 approved an increase in the enrollment fee for on-campus students to help fund a \$32 million improvement and expansion of student recreational facilities.

The proposal to increase the fee by \$25 per semester each fall through 1993-94, when the recreational facilities fee would be \$75 per semester, was tabled at the board's March 15 meeting to allow time for student comment.

The project will be phased in over the next three years, beginning this spring.

The board also approved these measures at the April meeting:

- * a 7.5 percent systemwide increase in room and board and apartment rental rates, effective this fall.

- * a new constitution for the Western Student Association. Students had approved the new document by a 3-1 margin in a campus-wide referendum Feb. 27.

Newman joins staff, Gant named to new position

Douglas M. Newman has been named assistant vice president for institutional advancement. His appointment to the new WMU position, effective May 1, 1991, was approved April 26 by the Board of Trustees.

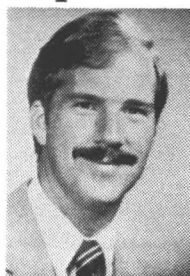
Since 1990, Newman has been acting executive director of the Michigan State University Foundation. He joined the MSU staff in 1985 as a planned giving officer, and was promoted to assistant executive director of the MSU Foundation in 1986.

In other action, the Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Debora K. Gant as acting director of career planning and placement services, effective June 1, 1991. She will replace Chester C. Arnold, who plans to retire May 31.

Gant joined the WMU staff as assistant director of career planning and placement services in 1986. She was promoted to associate director in 1988, and has been



Gant



Newman

responsible for coordinating business, industry and minority placement.

The trustees also approved a leave of absence for Alan H. Jacobs, anthropology, effective Aug. 19, 1991. In addition, the board granted a professional development leave to A. Bruce Clarke, associate vice president for academic affairs, from June 3, 1991, to Aug. 30, 1991. And the trustees accepted the resignations of Eltayab S. Abueiyaman, electrical engineering, effective May 15, 1992, and of Leslie H. Leighninger, social work, effective June 30, 1991.

WMU to offer MBA degree statewide via satellite TV

WMU has joined the Michigan Information Technology Network (MITN) and will be offering the satellite television network's only master of business administration degree to a statewide clientele through the Division of Continuing Education. The program is expected to begin in January 1992.

The network is made up of the state's five major public universities and its 29 community colleges, many of which can serve as "downlinks" or receiving sites for the network. Schools, businesses and industries also can receive courses offered by the network by joining the network and installing a downlink.

Six sabbaticals granted

Six faculty members were granted sabbatical leaves for the 1991-92 academic year in action April 26 by the Board of Trustees.

They are: Carolyn J. Harris, languages and linguistics; Arthur W. Helweg, anthropology; Paul M. Lane, marketing; Susan Ponchillia, blind rehabilitation; Frank L. Severance, electrical engineering; and Molly B. Vass, community health services.

They will join the 27 WMU faculty members whose 1991-92 sabbaticals were approved in December.

Recycling bin hours announced

The bin in the Read Fieldhouse parking lot to collect newspapers for recycling will be open these hours during the spring and summer: noon to 1 p.m. Tuesdays; and 3 to 5 p.m. Wednesdays. Exceptions will be June 4-5 and July 9-10, when it will be closed.

Grants to fund purchase of new supercomputer

Major grants from the National Science Foundation and Intel Corp. will fund the purchase of a new supercomputer for the University and assist in the development of a computing research center.

John A. Kapenga and Elise de Doncker, both computer science, have been awarded a \$190,175 grant from the NSF and a \$173,000 grant from the Intel Corp. of Beaverton, Ore., to purchase a state-of-the-art, distributed memory supercomputer.

The new equipment, which has the potential for being 200 times faster than computing equipment currently on campus, will allow planning for a new Concurrent Computation Research Center. The center would provide access to high performance computing for researchers at the University and

promote interdisciplinary research collaboration.

In addition to its main goal of addressing the research needs of the entire University, the new equipment will impact other areas. It will provide support for expanded grant opportunities in computational science research and support for the development of computational curricula in several University programs. The proposed center would assist business in the region by providing expertise to high technology industries where massive computation may be critical to success. Advanced high school students in the area who are interested in computational science also will have opportunities to work with computer science faculty.

University authorized to borrow up to \$65 million

The University has been authorized to borrow up to \$65 million on a tax-free basis to consolidate existing debt, fund several current and pending projects and pave the way for a bond issue to finance major improvements in student recreation facilities.

The borrowing, which was approved April 26 by the Board of Trustees, will be accomplished through a bond issue, said Robert M. Beam, vice president for business and finance.

The Board also approved these measures at

the meeting:

- * authorized the designation of the Lehman Brothers division of Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. of New York as the University's bond underwriting firm.

- * authorized Beam as board treasurer to enter into an agreement with First of America Bank-Michigan to provide investment management of and custodial services for the University's annuity and life income fund assets.

Board of Trustees approves retirements of nine faculty, staff members

The retirement of A. Bruce Clarke, associate vice president for academic affairs, was among several approved April 26 by the Board of Trustees.

Clarke will retire with the title provost and vice president for academic affairs emeritus and professor emeritus of mathematics and statistics, effective Aug. 30, 1991. He joined the WMU faculty in 1967 as professor and chairperson of the Department of Mathematics and Statistics and became dean of the College of Arts and Sciences in 1978.

He was named associate vice president for academic affairs in 1988. When George M. Dennison left the position of provost and vice president for academic affairs in summer 1990 to become president of the University of Montana, President Haenicke tapped Clarke to fill that job until Nancy S. Barrett came on board this past February.

The other faculty members granted emeriti status, along with their years of service and effective dates, are: Roy A. Beck, communication, 24-1/2 years, effective Jan. 5, 1992; Harold L. Ray, health, physical education and recreation, 31 years, effective Dec. 31, 1991; Shirley N. Sparks, speech pathology and audiology, 15 years, effective Sept. 1, 1991; and David C. Zinn, economics, 27 years, effective April 25, 1992.

The staff members retiring are: Patricia A. Obreiter, cashiering, 13 years, effective April 26, 1991; Loraine O'Keefe, political science, 23 years, effective April 26, 1991; Peggy J. Swinehart, upholstery shop, 25 years, effective April 30, 1991; and Robert G. Swinehart, upholstery shop, 27 years, effective April 30, 1991.

Ray, Arnold to be honored at retirement receptions

Retirement receptions for two staff members are scheduled for the coming week.

Shirley A. Ray, handicapped student services, will be honored Thursday, May 16, on the 10th floor of Sprau Tower.

Chester C. Arnold, career planning and placement services, will be feted Friday, May 17, at the Oaklands.

Both will run from 3 to 5 p.m. and the University community is invited to attend.



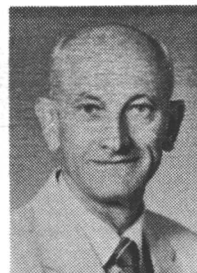
Clarke



Obreiter



O'Keefe



Ray



Sparks



Swinehart



Swinehart



Zinn

Information on funding sources to be presented at workshop

Faculty members and proposal writing staff members are reminded that the deadline to register for the "Meet the Funders" workshop is Friday, May 10.

The workshop is scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, May 14-15, at the University. Foundation officers and federal agency program officers will discuss philosophy, funding priorities, and application and review procedures at the free event, which is being sponsored by the Kalamazoo Consortium for Higher Education.

To register, persons should contact the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs at 7-3670.

Exchange

FOR SALE — 1986 Buick Skylark. Four-door, automatic, 3,700 miles. Great second car. Call Bev White at 7-1850, or 381-2346 after 5 p.m.

WANTED — Supervisor for Bronco Cheer Team. Need to have demonstrated experience in cheerleading as a participant or coach. Salary: \$2,000. Call Bob D'Amelio at 7-3098.

Jobs

The listing below is currently being posted by employment services in the Department of Human Resources. Interested fringe benefit 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.

(R) **Assistant Professor** (Temporary; 1 Year), I-30, Educational Leadership, 90/91-424, 5/7-5/13/91.

(R) **Customer Support Representative** (.76 FTE; Academic Year Plus), S-06, Telecommunications, 90/91-429, 5/7-5/13/91.

(R) **Clerk II**, S-03, Cashiering, 90/91-431, 5/7-5/13/91.

(N) **Supervisor, Grounds**, P-04, Physical Plant-Landscape/Grounds Maintenance, 90/91-434, 5/7-5/13/91.

(R) **Secretary III**, S-06, Residence Hall Facilities, 90/91-435, 5/7-5/13/91.

(N) New

(R) Replacement

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Calendar

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Thursday/9

(thru 12) 26th International Congress on Medieval Studies, Goldsworth Valley residence halls, Fetzer Center, Haworth College of Business, Dalton Center, Bernhard Center, all day.

(thru 17) Exhibit, the three arts of Eleanor DeVries, Battle Creek artist, "Part I, Hand-Made Paper," 1240 Seibert Administration Building, weekdays, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m.

Training and development seminar for supervisory employees, "Valuing Diversity," Doreen A. Brinson and Larry C. Scott, both human resources, 204 Bernhard Center, 9 a.m.-noon.

Doctoral oral examination, "A Representa-

*Admission charged

tion of Chemical Reactions by Labeled Graphs," Hector Hevia, mathematics and statistics, Commons Room, sixth floor, Everett Tower, 4:10 p.m.

Meeting, Faculty Senate, Red Rooms, Bernhard Center, 7 p.m.

*(thru 11) Third Coast Writers' Conference — free public readings, 3750 Knauss Hall, 8 p.m.: playwright Patrick Meyers, May 9; poet Edward Hirsch, May 10; and novelist and short story writer Mona Simpson, May 11.

Friday/10

(and 11) Michigan Youth Arts Festival, Dalton Center, Shaw Theatre and Miller Auditorium, all day.

Meeting, Executive Board of the Administrative Professional Association, Faculty Dining Room, Bernhard Center, 10 a.m.

(and 11) Baseball doubleheader, WMU vs. Kent State University, Hyames Field, 1 p.m.

(and 11) Softball doubleheader, WMU vs. Ohio University, Ebert Field: May 10, 2 p.m.; May 11, 1 p.m.

*(thru 12) Film, "To Sleep With Anger" (USA, 1990), directed by Charles Burnett, 2750 Knauss Hall: May 10, 8 p.m.; May 11, 7 and 9:30 p.m.; and May 12, 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday/14

(and 15) Workshop, "Meet the Funders," Bernhard Center: Tuesday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; and Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.-noon.

Baseball doubleheader, WMU vs. the University of Illinois at Chicago, Hyames Field, 1 p.m.

Wednesday/15

Training and development seminar for supervisors of non-bargaining unit staff, "Performance Review," Ann E. Houser, human resources, 204 Bernhard Center, 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Doctoral oral examination, "Characteristics of Nursing Home Administrators: Perceived Influencers on Own Career Paths," Shirley L. Cornelius, educational leadership, Tate Center, 3210 Sangren Hall, 1:30 p.m.

Thursday/16

Doctoral oral examination, "Developing Language Through a Musical Program and Its Effect on the Reading Achievement of Spanish Speaking Migrant Children," Dora Dominguez, educational leadership, Tate Center, 3210 Sangren Hall, 2 p.m.

Retirement reception honoring Shirley A. Ray, handicapped student services, 10th floor, Sprau Tower, 3-5 p.m.

Mathematics and statistics colloquium, "Counting, Coding and Generating Trees," Kathleen McKeon, Department of Mathematics, Connecticut College, Commons Room, sixth floor, Everett Tower, 4:10 p.m.; refreshments, 3:45 p.m.

Friday/17

Retirement reception honoring Chester C. Arnold, career planning and placement services, the Oaklands, 3-5 p.m.

Mathematics and statistics video, "Fractals: An Animated Discussion," Commons Room, sixth floor, Everett Tower, 4 p.m.; refreshments, 3:45 p.m.

Tuesday/21

Writing workshop for the preparation of doctoral dissertations, specialist projects and master's theses, 205 Bernhard Center, 10-11 a.m.

Workshop, "Women and Health: A Preventive Approach," 3005 Kohrman Hall, 1-4:30 p.m.

Wednesday/22

*Management and executive development seminar, "Managerial Skills for Successful Secretaries," Eileen Montgomery, Fetzer Center, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

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