**GERNANT ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT**

Leonard Gernant, dean of academic services, will complete 32 years at WMU when he retires on Dec. 31, 1975. He was granted emeritus status by the University’s Board of Trustees at their meeting on Friday.

Gernant, a 1934 graduate of Western Michigan, earned his master’s degree in political science at the University of Michigan in 1935. He was a high school teacher at East Lansing and Kalamazoo Central before he came to WMU as a teacher at University High School. Since then he has been assistant registrar, associate director of field services, director of summer session and director of academic services.

**PRESIDENTIAL ASSISTANT HONORED**

At the outset of last Friday’s Board of Trustees meeting, President John T. Bernhard cited Eleanore Linden, his assistant, who is transferring to The Oaklands, where she will serve as resident coordinator.

He noted that Miss Linden has faithfully and diligently served WMU for almost 40 years in such positions as general receptionist at the Campus Elementary School and administrative assistant to the dean of education.

**BOOKSTORE IS CLOSED**

The Campus Bookstore is closed today and Friday, June 26-27, for its annual inventory. It will re-open at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, June 30.

**BOARD APPOINTS NEW DEPARTMENT HEADS**

At the Friday, June 20, meeting of the Board of Trustees six new departmental chairmen were announced. They are: Dr. Guntram G. Bischoff, religion, three year term; Dr. Michael S. Pritchard, philosophy, three year term; Donald P. Bullock, acting chairman, music, Aug. 11, 1975-April 24, 1976; Dr. David O. Lyon, acting chairman, psychology, Aug. 11, 1975-April 24, 1976; Dr. Richard W. Pippen, acting chairman, biology, July 1, 1975-June 30, 1976; and Dr. Janet E. Stillwell, acting chairman, dance, Aug. 11, 1975-April 24, 1976.

**UNIVERSITY TO HOST MATHEMATICIANS**

The annual summer meetings of several mathematics organizations will be held on campus Aug. 16-22. About 2,000 delegates of the American Mathematical Society; the Mathematical Association of America; Pi Mu Epsilon, national honor society; the Association of Women in Mathematics; the Mathematicians Action Group; and the Conference Board of the Mathematical Sciences will take part in the meetings.

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Mathematicians cont'd

WMU President John T. Bernhard will extend a welcome to the mathematicians, scientists, professors and teachers from throughout the United States and Canada. Members of the arrangements committee are: Dr. Yousef Alavi, chairman; Dr. Gary Chartrand, Dr. A.B. Clarke, Florence M. Clarke, Dr. S.F. Kapoor, Dr. Don Lick, Dr. John W. Petro, Dr. James H. Powell and Dr. Alden Wright all of WMU. Alavi, A.B. and Florence Clarke and Lick are also members of the program committee.

Job Openings Listed

Below is a listing of the position openings currently being posted by the University Personnel Department for current University employees. Regular full-time and regular part-time employees interested in applying for these positions should submit a Job Opportunity Program application form to the Personnel Department during the posting period.

Parking Systems Checker, P/O-1, Public Safety - posted 6/20 - 6/26
Exhibition Director, E-10, Art - posted 6/20 - 6/26
Academic Auditor I, H-05, Admissions - posted 6/20 - 6/26
Secretary II, H-05, University Student Center - posted 6/20 - 6/26
Secretary II, H-05, Registration - posted 6/20 - 6/26
Secretary II, H-05, Custodial - posted 6/23 - 6/27
Account Clerk II, H-04, Budget & Financial Planning - posted 6/24 - 6/30
Secretary Executive I, H-07, Administrative Assistant to the President - posted 6/25 - 7/1
Secretary Executive II, H-08, Board of Trustees - posted 6/25 - 7/1

Physicians' Assistants Director Named

Dr. Mary E. Hawthorne has been appointed by the University's Board of Trustees as head of the Physicians' Assistants Program. She was formerly assistant director of a national study of allied health education and educational advisor to the commander of the U.S. Air Force School of Health Care Sciences at Sheppard AFB, Texas. The appointment is for the year ending June 30, 1976. Dr. Hawthorne succeeds Dr. John Josten who was critically injured in an automobile accident last year.

WMU Cited in Congressional Record

University Trustee Fred W. Adams of Grosse Pointe announced at last Friday's Board meeting that Michigan Congressman Garry Brown had had the recent WMU inaugural luncheon remarks inserted in the June 10 edition of the Congressional Record.

Entitled "Western Michigan University--A Success Story in the American Tradition," the remarks were a rendition of the historical development of the University given by Dr. Russell H. Selbert, emeritus vice president for academic affairs.

Campus Calendar

June 30 Final registration for summer session, Read Fieldhouse, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Freedom Train Will Stop in Kalamazoo

One of the three stops in Michigan which will be made by the Freedom Train will be at 1776 N. Pitcher St. After visits to Detroit and Grand Rapids, the colorful steam-powered reminder of the nation's past will be in Kalamazoo from 6 to 10 p.m. on July 10, and from 8 a.m. to midnight on July 11 and 12.

Tickets are priced at $2 for adults and $1 for those 18 and under, or over 65. Children under three will be admitted free. Campus sales for the tickets are being handled by the University Student Center Office.

The 10-car display featuring 200 years of American history includes several hundred exhibits. They range from George Washington's copy of the constitution to Hank Aaron's bat. The original site for the Freedom Train's visit was adjacent to the WMU campus near Waldo Stadium, but was later changed to the Pitcher St. location because of anticipated traffic hazards.

New Baseball Coach Selected

Fred Decker, assistant baseball coach and one of the Broncos' all-time outfield stars, has been named head baseball coach by the University's Board of Trustees. He succeeds Bill Chambers who has resigned to devote full time to teaching as an associate professor of physical education for men.

"It's an exciting challenge and a great opportunity for me, personally," said Decker, who has been assistant coach for the past eight years. He is a native of Colon who earned second team All-American and first team All-District honors in 1963 and 1964. He coached at Portage Central High School for two years after his graduation.

Instructional Position Openings

Below is a listing of the instructional position openings currently being announced by the Personnel Department. For additional information about these positions, please refer to the posting boards on campus, or contact the Employment Office in Personnel.

Assistant Professor, Fall Semester Only, Anthropology - posted 6/16 - 6/20
Assistant Professor, Temporary 1 year, Social Work - posted 6/26 - 7/2

Report on Gifts and Grants

In May the University received a total of $1,199,765 in gifts and grants, the Board of Trustees was informed at their meeting Friday, June 20. The total includes $236,706 for instruction; $12,646 for research; $922,949 for student financial aid; $1,900 for public service; and $25,562 in other gifts.

Board Appoints Committee

The University's Board of Trustees has appointed its own academic affairs committee. The members are John R. Dykema, Grosse Pointe Farms, chairman; Mildred L. Johnson, Muskegon; and Maury E. Parfet, Hickory Corners.