Nobel laureates to speak on state of economic science

Six Nobel laureates will present their views on "The State of Economic Science," which will be published Thursday, May 5, for the 25th anniversary of the University's lecture-seminar series at the University.

"We consider this very special series to be a fitting way to celebrate the 25th anniversary of our annual lecture-seminar series which has brought about 150 prominent economists to the WMU campus," Sichel said. "Just as the president of the United States presents a 'State of the Union message,' the governor a 'State of the State message,' we believe that it is important to address the state of our discipline. And who is more qualified to perform that task than six Nobel laureates in economics? We are excited about the prospect."

"This series ideally reflects our institution's commitment to promote the advancement of the field of economics and to aid the promotion of the community's agenda," said Robert G. Spiegelman, executive director of theUpjohn Institute. "He indicated that the institute will publish the papers that are to be presented by the six Nobel laureates.

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Sichel said. "We are very grateful to the Upjohn Institute for its generous support of this exceptional lecture-seminar series."

All six presentations are scheduled for 8 p.m. on a Wednesday in the Kirsch Auditorium of the Ferris Center. The speakers also will present an afternoon seminar for economics faculty and graduate students.

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Cesar Chavez to speak April 11

The University community is being encouraged to support the efforts of students who plan to work on the Great Hunger Cleanup next weekend. The cleanup, a community service project, is scheduled to take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 16, is expected to involve more than 500 Western students, volunteering to help needy families by doing various chores such as yard work, painting and building wheelchair ramps for houses.

Laura Astle, a public relations major who is coordinating the project, says that the project is being organized in response to the needs of people in the Kalamazoo area. She adds that the students involved in the project will be volunteering their time and effort, and that the project will be a great way for students to get involved in the community.

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and 8) Voice mail training, Training Rooms A and B, Bernhard Student Center; weekdays, 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. For appointment, call 7-0924.

(tr) Exhition, "Constantine Visits Kalamazoo," Greg Constantine, Space Gallery.

(14) Exhibiton of recent paintings and drawings, Joseph V. Deluca, art, Gallery II, Sangren Hall, weekdays, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Sun., April 10, 2-5 p.m. For appointment, call 7-0924.

(50) Asian American Film Festival, Thursday, April 7, 4-7 p.m., and Friday, April 8, 6-9 p.m., Barry Turett, Oakland University, Commons Room, sixth floor, Everett Tower, 4:10 p.m.; refreshments, 3:45 p.m.

Presidential Scholars Convocation, Fetzer Center, 5:30 p.m.

University film series, "Gertrud," Carl Dreyer, director, 2750 Knapps Hall, 4i and 15.

(10) West Michigan Writers' Conference; public events -- Thurs., April 7, roundtable discussion on essay, 3321 Brown Hall, 6:00-8:30 p.m.; faculty reading, 10:00 a.m., Sprague Tower, Fitzgerald Hall; Fri., April 8, roundtable discussion on fiction, 3321 Brown Hall, 3:50 p.m.; faculty reading, 10:00 a.m., Sprague Tower, Fitzgerald Hall; Sat., April 9, roundtable discussion on poetry, 3321 Brown Hall, 1:25-55 p.m.; guest reading, Ellen Gilchrist, author reading, 10th floor lounge.

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