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Business, art appointments approved

The Board of Trustees June 21 approved the appointment of Pamela S. Rooney as assistant director of the Department of Art.

Rooney, who has been a faculty member in the Department of Business Information Systems since 1989, assumed her new position July 1.

The board also approved the appointment of Melvin N. Strans of the Board of Art, Strans, whose appointment is effective July 1, has been director of the School of Art at the University of Denver since 1969.

In addition, the Board approved the appointment of Allen S. Bursch as professor of mathematics and granted five leaves of absence and one professional leave.

In commenting on Rooney's appointment, Dean Darrell G. Jones, business, said, "In this position, Allen will have some of the responsibilities the monitoring and reporting of our accreditation status to the American Association of Colleges of Business and developing proposals and presentations for business, government and industry. The college is extremely fortunate to have someone with Dr. Rooney's demonstrated communication skills in this role."

In the Department of Art, Strans will replace L. John Link, whose resignation as chairperson was effective July 1.

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The Office of the Registrar, Records and Registration has announced dates and times for schedule adjustments, final registration and drop/adds for the fall semester.

Students who completed advance registration and received partial schedules may make schedule adjustments from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3, in Beadle Fieldhouse.

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Students may drop or add fall semester classes from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, or from 1 to 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, in the fieldhouse.

Fall semester classes begin Thursday, Sept. 5.

The listing below is currently being posted by the Personnel Department for regular full-time or part-time employees. Applicants should submit a "Job Opportunities Application" during the posting period.

S-01 and S-02 clerical positions are not regularly posted. Interested employees may register in the Personnel Office for assistance in securing these positions.

J O B S

(A) Library, 1-48, Libraries, 84-443, 8/19-8/23/85

(B) Activity Therapist I (Term), 9/20/85, P-84, Continuing Education, Dislocated Adults, 84-444, 8/19-8/23/85

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280 Bernhard Student Center, 7:30 p.m.

Friday/22

"Talk About Your Achievements Against UW-M," first floor foyer, Waldo Library; exhibit will be open Mon.-Thurs., 7:45 a.m.-10 p.m.; Fri., 7:45 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun., noon-10 p.m.

Student recital, Hiko Terai, junior from Tokyo, 113 Dalton Center Organ Studio, 8 p.m.

Friday/23

"Second Session Area.

Saturday/24

Commencement, Miller Auditorium, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Education, College of Fine Arts and Division of Continuing Education, 10 a.m.; College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, College of Business, College of Health and Human Services and School of Library and Information Science, 1 p.m.

Football, family/phot day, Waldo Stadium, 8 p.m.

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Exchange

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AT THE TONE...—A large sundial, constructed through donations from the Reunion Classes of 1933, 1934, 1943 and 1944, was dedicated earlier this summer. The sundial, which is 20 feet in width, is located on the pedestrian mall between Kashey Chapel and Wood Hall. Participants in the ceremony included, from left, class representatives Grace Becker Arnold, 1944, John VanEx, 1933, and Margaret Mahoney Oudenaard, 1943, all of Kalamazoo; Haym Kruglak, emeritus, who initiated and coordinated the project; and President Emeritus Bernhard. A representative of the class of 1934 could not be present. Kruglak designed the sundial with David Martin, physical painter. It will be used for instruction and will serve as a campus landmark.

Western selected for pilot project

Western has been selected to participate in a regional network of schools created for a pilot project of the United Auto Workers-Ford National Development and Training Center (NDTC) to provide degree and nondegree continuing education programs for UAW-represented Ford Motor Co. employees.

Western is one of about 100 institutions chosen for the program, which will be offered in eight major midwestern metropolitan areas: Chicago, Detroit, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo and St. Louis. Western will provide the programs through its Division of Continuing Education to UAW-Ford active hourly employees in Detroit.

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