TEACHERS COMPLETE AMERICAN ECONOMY WORKSHOP

"I think that we've learned much about the basis of our economic system we hadn't known before and now we'll be able to present these ideas to our students," said Robert Kinca, a fifth-grade teacher at Parchment Central Elementary School. He is one of 29 Southwestern Michigan area school teachers who finished the July 9-27 "Summer Institute on the American Economy--1979" at the Kalamazoo Valley Intermediate School District Building. The institute was sponsored by the University's College of Business and the Kalamazoo County Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with the Invest-in-America National Council. Top national business leaders served as lecturers for the group, including WMU alumnus W. Bruce Thomas, executive vice president--accounting and finance, U.S. Steel Corp., Pittsburgh; Dr. Fred Bowditch, Detroit, executive assistant to the vice president of General Motors; Paul F. McGoff, East Lansing, president of Panax and Associates, Inc., executive vice president--accounting and finance, Dow Chemical Co., Midland; John P. Moffett, East Lansing, president of Panax Corp.; Paul H. Weaver, Dearborn, director of economic communications planning, Ford Motor Co.; and Dr. Louis Schroeter, vice president for domestic pharmaceutical operations, the Upjohn Co., Kalamazoo.

BRITISH VISITORS DUE HERE

Western will host two classroom teachers from Barnsley, England (just north of Sheffield in the Midlands area) from Saturday, Sept. 15, to Saturday, Oct. 13. Janet Lindsay and Janet Crossley will be visiting WMU's Professional Field Experiences Office, 2504 Sangren Hall. Both have served as co-op teachers for Western students who have had their teaching practice experience in England. While they are here they will attend University classes and visit public schools in the Kalamazoo area, according to Carl Lindstrom, associate professor of education and professional development and coordinator of the directed teaching unit.

Housing is needed for the teachers' stay here. Anyone with a room to rent is asked to call 383-1840.

HEATING/COOLING RULES LISTED

In order to comply with the "Building Emergency Temperature Restrictions" (65°F heating and 78°F cooling) recently ordered by Pres. Jimmy Carter, it is necessary that temperature controls on unit air conditioners in various areas of the University be set at a point to bring the conditioned space within the 78°F guidelines. This is done by manually lowering the cooling control knob to its minimum setting when the room temperature dips below 78°F, according to Robert H. "Herb" Williams, physical plant director. The person in charge of the area is expected to perform this function, he noted, and the cooperation of the entire University will be appreciated.

WMU AIDS ESTABLISHMENT OF FRENCH SCHOOL

The first French training school in blind mobility instruction will soon be established in Paris, thanks to help from Western. Armelle Goulet and Agnes Lebreck, both employed by the French Association for the Blind, came here on April 30 for a program of intensive training to help them set up the school in Paris when they return home next month. The choice of Western came about because Goulet attended a workshop in 1969 conducted in France by Stanley Suterko, professor of blind rehabilitation from WMU, at the invitation of that country's government.

According to Goulet and Lebreck, France is later than most countries in developing a mobility training program for the blind. Now, however, the rush is on to "catch up." Among their first duties when they return home will be to make long range plans for physical facilities which now are lacking. The two women will have as their first students those French people who have had some experience in blind instruction, although not mobility training. Later, those with no such experience will be enrolled.

Before leaving the campus to go to Hines VA Hospital in Illinois, they sat in on blind rehabilitation classes here, visited Michigan Blind Services, the Michigan Rehabilitation Center for the Blind and the Michigan School for the Blind.

RESEARCH TRAVEL FUND APPLICATIONS DUE

Western faculty who have been invited by professional societies to present papers and/or exhibitions for the purpose of reporting results of original research, or scholarly and creative activity, are eligible to apply to the Faculty Research Travel Fund for travel support. The Committee reviews applications on a bimonthly basis. Guidelines and application forms are available in the Division of Research and Sponsored Programs (DR&SP), formerly Office of Research Services, A-221 Ellsworth Hall--phone 3-1632. Completed applications for the remainder of fiscal year 1979-80 are due in the DR&SP office according to the following schedule:

Deadline for Receipt of Applications

For Travel In

Feb. 10, 1980 March-April, 1980
April 10, 1980 May-June, 1980

Applications will be informed as to the status of their requests approximately 15 days after receipt deadline.

DOCTORAL EXAMINATIONS DATE SET

The oral examination for a doctoral degree in education for Wilma J. Busse will be held at 8 a.m. Friday, Aug. 3, in the dean's conference room, Sangren Hall. Her topic is "An Alternatives Prevention Approach to Drug Abuse."
CONFERENCE ATTRACTS KOREAN VISITORS

Twenty Korean students, four professors from Seoul National University, and two officials of the ministry of Education for the Korean government are visiting the Western campus for the Second Annual Korean-American Student Conference from Tuesday, July 31 through Saturday, Aug. 11. Seven WMU students are included among the Americans at the conference.

FIBER ARTS SHOWN AUG. 4-10

"Inclinations," a fiber arts exhibit by Patricia Meekhof, a graduate student from Steers Street Gallery, will have a free, public showing from Saturday, Aug. 4 through Friday, Aug. 10, in the Steers Street House Gallery, 840 Steers St. It will consist of hooked pieces, quilting, felting, trapunto and wrapped rope. A free, public reception for the artist will be held from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5. The Steers Street Gallery is open from 1-8 p.m. daily through Friday and 1-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

MAKE PRESENTATION AT CONFERENCE

Michael Betz, TV producer-director in the University's department of instructional communications; Dr. Clyde R. Willis, professor of speech pathology and audiology; and Judith Malott, professor and president of MABA, held recently in Dearborn. Faculty representing WMU were Drs. Jack Michael, professor and president of MABA; Galen Alessi, assistant professor; Dale Brethower, associate professor; Howard Farris, professor; Wayne Fuqua, assistant professor; Bradley Huitema, associate professor; and Joetta Long, assistant professor. Others were Drs. Richard Malott, professor; Paul Mountjoy, professor; John Nangle, associate professor and director of Institutional Research; Alan Poling, assistant professor; Arthur Snapper, professor; and Ms. Barbara Fulton, education technologist; all of the psychology department, and Dr. Kathleen Krumhus, former psychology instructor who is now teaching in Katmandu, Nepal.

JACOBS IN AFRICA FOR MASAI PROJECT

A seven-week East African project to evaluate the Masai livestock and range management, began Saturday, July 28, in Washington, D.C., for Dr. Alan H. Jacobs, anthropology professor. He will join a five-person investigative team headed for Rome and then Africa. Jacobs was selected by the government of Tanzania along with other experts on the Masai, to investigate the 10-year-old project concerned with improving range conditions and livestock production among pastoral tribes. The project is financed in part by the U.S. Agency for International Development.