announce alumni award winners

A well-known sports figure, a prominent university placement leader, the "Father of Toy Safety," an outstanding teacher-artist and a man who devoted a lifetime to working with Detroit youths, have been chosen to receive the Western Michigan University Distinguished Alumni Award. Frank Secory, former major league baseball player and umpire; Evart W. Ardis, University of Michigan's director of career planning and placement; Charles F. Williams, vice president for product safety and quality assurance, Mattel Toys; Katherine Ardis Ux, a retired teacher and one of the country's most talented weavers; and Thomas F. Briscoe, Detroit teacher and administrator, will be honored at the University's summer commencement at 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22, in Waldo Stadium.

SEPTEMBER BRINGS NEW HOURS

Effective with the first working day in September, all offices and regular operations within the University will return to the new work schedule of 7:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. The hours will remain in effect until next June. The first working day in September is Tuesday, Sept. 2.

SAFETY DIVISION WILL INSPECT BUILDINGS

Members of the University's Safety Division will test fire alarm systems in the academic and residence hall buildings during the week of Aug. 25-29. All personnel are advised to use the test as a reminder of what action should be taken in the event of an actual fire in the building. All questions concerning evacuation routes should be directed to the Safety Division--3-8084.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

August

22 Summer session ends
22 Board of Trustees meeting, Student Center, 1:15 p.m.
22 Summer Commencement, Waldo Stadium, 6 p.m. (Read Fieldhouse in case of rain)

September

1 Labor Day holiday
2 Fall semester classes begin at 8 a.m.

fire extinguisher demonstration slated

A demonstration of the use of various types of fire extinguishers will be given at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 29, in room 157, University Student Center. All faculty and staff members are invited to attend the demonstration and brief lecture to be presented by the University's Safety Division.

LEGISLATURE SLASHES UNIVERSITY BUDGET

In an 11th hour action, the Michigan legislature has cut the University's 1975-76 budget by 1.5 per cent., or a reduction of $513,400 from WMU's state appropriation.

President John T. Bernhard said, "Our readjusted base is now $33,821,600; that's $926,600 or only 2.8 per cent more than the $32,895,000 appropriated for 1974-75. He reiterated that the amount appropriated for Western is once again "inadequate for absorbing the inflationary price increase and it only compounds the chronic under-funding of this institution."

"This latest legislative 'cross-the-board' cut, without any special consideration for past inequities, is definitely at our bone marrow level. It will have severe effects on the viability of many of our critical services and activities."

Bernhard said he was "led to recommend a tuition increase for this year at this late date," but he did announce that he was appointing a task force to recommend guidelines that may be used in any personnel adjustments that might be required by this latest cut in state support. Named to the task force are: Robert Beam, director of budgets and financial planning, chairman; Robert W. Ethridge, administrative assistant to the president; Stanley W. Kelley, director of employee relations and personnel; and Dr. Barbara R. Sherman, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs.

"WMU continues to be committed to placing the first priority on human resources, rather than things," he stated. However, he also noted this latest cut in state funding support marks the third consecutive year that Western has not received any new money for equipment.

Bernhard indicated that the Board of Trustees' budget and finance committee met subsequent to the Michigan House of Representatives' action, but prior to the conference committee deliberations. The Board committee reviewed allocation priorities and established guidelines, he said.

"This drastic cut by the conference committee has forced us to take another look at (Continued on page 2)
These priorities and guidelines," Bernhard explained. "As a result, we do not intend to recommend the adoption of a General Fund budget to the Board of Trustees at its Aug. 22 meeting. We expect to do so at the September meeting.

"This delay will give us the time to once again evaluate our services and activities so that a balanced budget can be submitted that takes into account our need to fund current programs at ever-increasing cost levels, and, at the same time, provide those programs needed by our students and the people of this state."

"I remain steadfast in my belief that public higher education continues to provide one of the largest returns on dollar investments for our society," Bernhard concluded.

**JOB OPENINGS**

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

**Cashier II, H-04, Cashiering - posted 8/19**

**Duplicate Operator II, H-05, Printing Services - posted 8/19 - 8/25**

**Assistant Catering Manager, E-8, University Services - posted 8/21 - 8/27**

**Library Assistant I, H-04, University Libraries (2 positions) - 8/21 - 8/27**

**STUDENT CENTER HOURS NEXT WEEK**

The University Student Center will observe the following hours Aug. 23 - Sept. 1:

Aug. 23 -- Closed
Aug. 24 -- Building and cafeteria -- 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Aug. 25 & 26 -- Building and counter -- 7:30 a.m. - 8:15 p.m.
Cafeteria -- 9 - 10:45 a.m., coffee and rolls; 11:15 a.m. - 1 p.m. lunch
Bookstore - 7:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.
Styling Shop -- 8:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.
All other areas closed.
Aug. 27 - 29 Building and counter -- 7:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Cafeteria -- 8:15 - 10:45 a.m., coffee and rolls; 11:15 a.m. - 1 p.m. lunch; 5 - 6:15 p.m., dinner
(All other areas the same as Aug. 25-26)
Aug. 30 -- Building and counter -- 8:15 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Cafeteria -- (same as Aug. 27-29)
Bookstore -- 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
All other areas closed.
Aug. 31 -- Building and counter -- 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Cafeteria -- 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. and 5 - 6:15 p.m.
Snack Bar -- 6 - 9 p.m.
Campus Area -- 2 - 9 p.m.
Bookstore -- Noon - 4 p.m.
Sept. 1 -- Building and counter -- 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Cafeteria -- 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 5 - 6:15 p.m.
Snack Bar -- 6 - 10 p.m.
Games Area -- 3 - 10 p.m.
Bookstore -- 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. and on Sept. 2-4 -- 7:45 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sept. 2 -- All areas open on regular schedule.

**INSTRUCTIONAL POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

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

**Assistant Professor, Temporary 1 year, Educational Leadership - posted 8/20 - 8/26**

**Assistant Professor, Temporary 1 year, Home Economics - posted 8/20 - 8/26**

**Instructor, Part-time, fall semester only (2 positions), Mechanical Engineering - posted 8/20 - 8/26**

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**CAMPUS BRIEFS**

A paper presented by Patricia Pond, associate professor, and Dr. Laurel Grotzinger, professor, both members of the School of Librarianship faculty, has been made into a cassette and is included in the "1975 Audio Cassette Library for Professional Librarians." It is entitled "Women in the Past as Leaders in the Library Profession." Dr. Grotzinger is also the author of eight reviews on scientific reference sources published in the "American Reference Books Annual, 1975."

Dr. E. Thomas Lawson, professor of religion, was invited to present a paper at the XIVth International Congress on the History of Religions held this past week in Lancaster, England.

Dr. Albert Castel, professor of history was named to a list of "25 outstanding authors and historians in the Civil War field" issued by Confederate Heritage, Winter Park, Florida.

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