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# Alumni Action

## NEWS

October 1991

### Jog Your Memory

This Homecoming's 25-year reunion class (1966) should remember many buildings that were constructed during the '60s, Eastern's biggest building boom. See how well you do on the following quiz (the answers are on page 4).

1. Who was Margaret Wise and how is the building named after her used today?
2. What building, finished in 1964, was named for a former state representative from the Second District (Washtenaw County)?
3. What do the initials J.M.B. stand for and what college now occupies the building of whose name they are a part?
4. What residence hall, now the favored residence of EMU athletes, was built in 1965 and named for a former biology professor?
5. What campus building, completed in 1966, bears no one's name?
6. One of the namesakes of Phelp-Sellers was a professor of chemistry and one was a professor of zoology. Which was which?
7. What campus structure was finished in 1966 and named for a street, not a person?

### See You at Homecoming '91

#### *... Where the Past Meets the Present*

This year's Homecoming festivities begin on Thursday, October 17, with an old-fashioned bonfire and pep rally at 6 p.m. at the Rec/IM Field. Country-Western music, the cheer team, the pep band, and Coach Harkema will help ignite the rally. Come and fire up for the green and white!

Stay warmed up for Homecoming Day, Saturday, October 19. Check in at the Alumni Hospitality Headquarters in Gallery I of McKenny and find out the details about all the day's events.

From 9 to 11 a.m. in Pray-Harrod, attend a round table discussion on "Developing Public Sector Internships: How You and Your Organization Can Benefit from an Intern." Make the short trip downtown to the Gary M. Owen College of Business for an open house and tours of the beautiful new building from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., and visit McKenny Union for various department receptions from 11 a.m. to noon.

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Golden Years alumni (class of 1941 and earlier) will be honored at the Golden Years Brunch at Hoyt, and the Black Alumni Chapter will host its annual scholarship luncheon at McKenny.

The Green and White Luncheon, from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the McKenny Ballroom, will be the scene for the first Teaching Excellence Awards, presented to outstanding EMU faculty members by the Alumni Association.

Don't miss the Homecoming parade at 2 p.m. This annual town and gown collaboration begins at Michigan Ave. at Huron, travels west to Hamilton, north to Cross Street, and west to McKenny Union. Bands galore, student drill teams, floats, and community groups all will combine to form a spectacle of sights, sounds, and spirit.

Then at 4:30 p.m. gather near the stadium for tailgates and music until game time. Bring your own picnic or buy food and beverages at the stadium concession stand sponsored by the Huron Valley Alumni Chapter. A special event will be the 25-year reunion class (1966) tailgate supper.

A 6 p.m. pregame show featuring the Alumni Band will precede the gridiron contest we've all been waiting for — EMU vs. Western Michigan. At half time, winners of the parade competition will be announced and the 1991 Homecoming king and queen will be crowned.

End the day with a bang at the Big Blast (formerly the Millionaire's Party), sponsored by the Black Alumni Chapter, at Hoyt Conference Center from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Call the Office for Alumni Relations (487-0250) for more information and reservations. **Don't miss this opportunity to renew old friendships and refresh old memories.**

## President's Pen

This will be my final report to you, the alumni of Eastern Michigan University. In October, the gavel is turned over to President-Elect John Fovenesi.

I want to formally thank all members of the Alumni Board and our fine Alumni Office staff. We have a very effective director in George Beaudette, who is doing an excellent job.

I look upon our Alumni Association as a giant beginning to awaken from a long sleep. We need the help of each of you in recruiting more dues-paying members. Please send us the addresses of any alumni and we'll follow up with sending membership material. Please use our toll-free number, 1-800-U-ALUMNI.

Share with non-members the many exciting activities planned for 1991-92. Let's start with Homecoming, which is set for Saturday, October 19, 1991. Our Homecoming Committee has designed a dynamic day. Plan to return to the EMU campus and renew old friendships and establish new ones.

Some other key dates to mark down are:

**December 1, 1991** — Yuletide holiday event in Frankenmuth.

**February 14-16, 1992** — "Coming Home" winter weekend on campus, which will include a candlelight Valentine dinner.

**March 13-15, 1992** — MAC Basketball Tournament and alumni get-together at Cobo Hall in Detroit.

**May 9, 1992** — Alumni Awards Dinner Dance at the Radisson.

We hope to see you at these events!

William Mays, Jr.  
President

## Celebrating Hispanic Heritage

Approximately 50 predominately Hispanic middle school students from Hialeah, Florida, visited the EMU campus this summer. They earned their visit by participation in a Florida program called Passport to Success, where each "A" earned was worth flier miles.

Students participated in EMU's Summer Incentive Program and attended University-sponsored seminars and social events. They also took day trips to area attractions and visited other colleges such as Washtenaw Community College, Cleary College, and Madonna University. The coordinator of the program at EMU, Courtney McAnuff, assistant vice president in the Division of University Marketing and Student Affairs, said, "We wanted to expose them to all kinds of educational opportunities, not just those at EMU. They needed to pick the type of setting that suits them best."

Last October, approximately 45 Hispanic students from southern Texas paid a similar visit to EMU. Fourteen of those students are now enrolled in classes at EMU and looking forward to enjoying all the festivities planned on campus to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. Events scheduled for September and October include a President's Merienda with Dr. Jose Ciello as guest speaker, a film/lecture series, and displays of Hispanic art. For more information, call the Multicultural Center at (313) 487-2377.

## 1991-92 Board Slate Approved

The Alumni Association Board has accepted the slate of new board candidates for 1991-92. The slate was presented by the Nominations Committee at the September board meeting. Members of the Alumni Association may approve or reject the slate at the Annual Luncheon Meeting during Homecoming, October 19.

The candidates are: **Lisa Bamburger**, '88; **Melonie Colanne**, '78; **Patricia Fulton**, '76; **Jay Hanson**, '83; **Michael Libbing**, '91; **Patrick Monea**, '72; **Jeralyn Vogel**, '84.

**Leo Turner** ('50) has been nominated to complete the term of resigning board member Normajeon Anderson. **Joan Colladay** ('72), current board treasurer, has been nominated to serve as the new president-elect.

The nomination process is now closed. If you have any questions regarding the new slate of board candidates, please contact the Alumni Relations Office.

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### Next Alumni Association Board Meeting:

Saturday, October 19, 1991  
205 Welch Hall

# Upcoming Events

## One-Room Schoolhouse Open House

Come visit EMU's one-room schoolhouse during your Homecoming "trip down memory lane." The schoolhouse was acquired by the University in 1985. It was moved to its current location on campus and dedicated in 1988. Currently, it is in the final restoration phase. This historic landmark will be open for viewing Homecoming Day (October 19) from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. Come take a look!

## The Theatres of Eastern Michigan University 1991-92 Season

**Anything Goes, October 18-20, 23-26.** Originally produced in 1934, the present version of this musical comedy was re-staged in '62 with several of the original songs replaced by other Cole Porter show stoppers. *Anything Goes* continues to delight with its "dashing score and impish lyrics" (Brooks Atkinson), not to mention its zany collection of distinctive screwballs.

**Lend Me a Tenor, November 3** (Mainstage Bus Tour). The ninth annual theatre tour heads to the Birmingham Theatre for the howlingly funny comedy *Lend Me a Tenor*. The play's about a world-famous opera star, an apoplectic impresario, a sexy soprano, and a jealous wife.

**White as Snow, Red as Blood: The Story of Snow White, November 22-24.** This new telling of the classic tale, by award-winning playwright V. Glasgow Koste, embodies the mysterious power and beauty of the original story. Highly recommended for all playgoers 8 years and older.

**Beaux Arts Festival, January 19-25.** Included in this traditional showcase are a musical collage (Jan. 19), the finals of the Martin Luther King Jr. Oratory Contest (Jan. 20), a special performance by the Theatre of the Young (Jan. 22), and *In The Hot Spot*, featuring performances by alumni, students, and faculty focusing on issues for today (Jan. 23-25).

**The Lion In Winter, February 6-9, 13-15.** This witty comedy by James Goldman explores the dilemma faced by King Henry of England in choosing an heir for his throne, confronted on all sides by his wife, Eleanor of Aquitaine, and three sons (including Richard the Lionhearted).

**The Death of Zukasky, March 12-15, 19-21.** In this comedy of corporate politics, three managers fight to climb the corporate ladder into the position vacated by the recently deceased Zukasky. This broad farce was written by EMU alumnus Richard Strand and humorizes the breakdown of morality and fair play in the American business world.

**Amadeus, April 9-12, 16-18.** The Tony Award winner for "Best Play of the Year" in 1980, *Amadeus* explores the confrontation between mediocrity and genius. When the music of Antonio Salieri, court composer to the throne of Austria, constantly pales to that of the brilliant but graceless Amadeus Mozart, Salieri sets out to destroy this child of effortless greatness.

## Yuletide in Frankenmuth

Enjoy a day of fellowship, shopping, and sharing the holiday spirit in picturesque Frankenmuth, "Michigan's Little Bavaria," Sunday, December 1.

Either drive your own car or board the EMU alumni bus at McKenny Union and arrive in Frankenmuth late morning. Bus passengers will make a stop at the Chocolate Haus for coffee and shopping. In the village of Frankenmuth, you will enjoy the sparkling lights and festive decorations. Shop until 2:30, when you will feast on sumptuous holiday fare at the Bavarian Inn. After dinner, relax to a program of holiday music before visiting Bronner's Christmas Wonderland, the world's largest Christmas store, and again boarding the bus for the trip back to Ypsilanti.

The cost for Alumni Association members is \$33 per person with bus transportation, \$23 if you choose to drive yourself. For non-Alumni Association members, the cost is \$35 with bus transportation, \$23 without.

The deadline for reservations is Friday, November 22. Our holiday event is always a sellout, so please make your reservations early. Call the Alumni Relations Office at 487-0250 for more information.

## Kirk Profit Tailgate

State Representative Kirk Profit invites you to his annual Homecoming pre-game tailgate party. The festivities will be held in the center aisle of the West Parking Lot at Rynearson Stadium, beginning at 4 p.m. October 19. We hope to see you all there!

# Chapter News

**The Huron Valley Alumni Chapter** will sponsor a concession stand at each home football game again this year. Look for their sign and lend your support by purchasing your refreshments from their stand.

Chapter members will provide volunteer help on Homecoming Day, October 19. They will staff the Hospitality Headquarters in Gallery I of McKenny Union. The annual Green and White Luncheon is being planned by chapter members in conjunction with the Alumni Office. Let them know if you would like to get involved.

**The National Capital Area Alumni Chapter** is planning its annual event for Saturday, November 9. Mark your calendar. More details will be available soon.

**The Black Alumni Chapter** will hold its annual Scholarship Luncheon Homecoming Day, October 19, in McKenny Union. They also will host the Big Blast at Hoyt following the game from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Contact the Alumni Office at (313) 487-0250 for details.

## WEMU Extends Air Waves

Tune in to 89.1 fm—you may be part of WEMU's new expanded listening area!

Since 1977, WEMU has broadcast from a 154-foot tower on top of Pierce Hall, and its signal didn't reach far beyond Washtenaw County. The new 324-foot tower, located north of campus near the intersection of Clark Road and LeForge, will enable WEMU to reach southwestern Oakland County, western Detroit, the Downriver area, south of Toledo, Jackson, and Livingston County. If all goes well with a series of tests and a report to the Federal Communication Commission, WEMU should be on-air from the new tower near the end of October.

WEMU broadcasts a mix of music (mostly jazz), local and national news (from National Public Radio), and feature programs. Weekdays begin with local and national news on "Morning Edition" from 6 to 10 a.m. Next comes "Morning and Afternoon Jazz" with national news on the hour, and from 4 to 5 p.m. is "Fresh Air," a program of features and interviews by Terry Gross in Philadelphia. At 5 p.m. "All Things Considered" airs, NPR's award-winning commentary show. "Evening Jazz" follows at 8 p.m. and "Jazz After Hours" continues from midnight until 5 a.m., when "All Things Considered" is rebroadcast.

This fall, WEMU will broadcast all of Eastern's football games, with announcers John Fountain and Steve Palmateer starting 15 minutes before each game. During basketball season, WEMU will air all men's games and all women's conference games.

Station manager Art Timko could use a little help from alumni listeners. If you have WEMU tuned in on your car radio and the signal fades, call 487-2229 and tell them exactly where that happened. This helps the WEMU staff chart their listening area more accurately—and gives you a chance to tell WEMU how much you like its programs!

### Answers to quiz on page 1:

1. Training teacher at Michigan Normal from 1893 to 1927 and director of placement from 1927-39; a residence hall.
2. Joseph E. Warner Physical Education Building.
3. John Mahelm Berry (Sill); College of Technology.
4. Martha Best Residence Hall.
5. The Library.
6. Jessie Phelps was a professor of zoology, physiology, and hygiene from 1898-1939; John A. Sellers was a professor of chemistry from 1929-61.
7. Cornell Courts.

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