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EMU seeks funding for older campus facilities

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**EMU seeks capital funding for
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By Ron Podell

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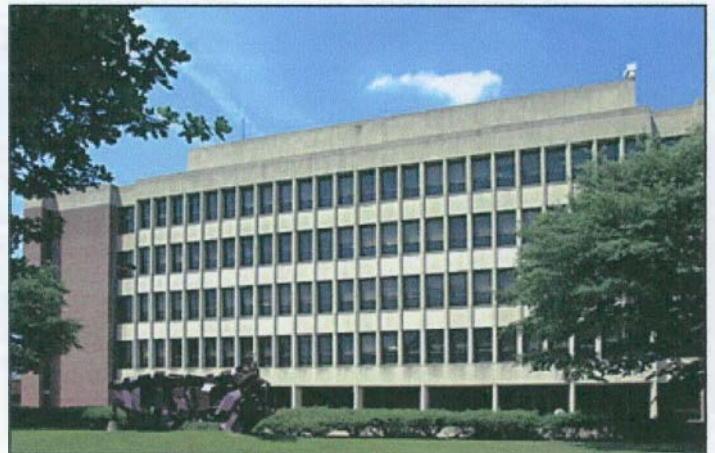
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Sen. Mike Goschka (R-32 nd District), who chaired the subcommittee hearing, said he appreciated the tour.

"We saw a wonderful campus and some beautiful facilities," Goschka said. "We also were shown a genuine need for capital project funding."

"We in the Legislature are recommitting ourselves to finding the



SCIENCE STOP: The Mark Jefferson science

dollars," said State Sen. Liz Brater (D-Ann Arbor). "There are needs on this campus. They are serious and critical."

during a campus tour May 20. The legislators learned more about Eastern Michigan University's infrastructure needs, which were discussed by EMU President Craig Willis during a Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education hearing scheduled the same day in Welch Hall.

The subcommittee makes recommendations concerning disposition of bills, resolutions and other related matters referred to them. In addition to EMU, officials from Michigan Technological, Wayne State, Saginaw Valley State and Michigan State universities appeared before the Senate subcommittee.

Capital funding was not the only issue discussed. Willis stressed to legislators a need for an equitable student funding formula for students at 12 of 15 public universities in Michigan. Currently, the state awards funding based on a tiered, hierarchical system created years ago that tends to reward the research-based universities, including the University of Michigan, Michigan State University and Wayne State University. Willis wants students at the remaining 12 universities funded at the same per-student level, with annual increases based on the rate of inflation.

Eastern Michigan had a six-year graduation rate of 41 percent for the freshman class that entered in 1998, Willis said. While he said that rate has improved incrementally, he cited a large number of the University's students are nontraditional, many adults with family and job obligations who come back to complete or get a degree. In addition, Willis said 74 percent of EMU's undergraduate students receive financial aid and are not financially able to take enough credits to finish in four, five or even six years. Many Eastern students also work full- or part-time, and some work two jobs to earn enough money to remain in school. As a result, he said it is more likely EMU students will take longer than the traditional four years to graduate.

Willis added that graduation rates would be higher if community college students who transfer and earn their degree at EMU counted toward the University's graduation numbers. Of the 4,478 degrees conferred by EMU in 2003-04, approximately half transferred to the University from a community college or other four-year institution, he said.

"If I'm a student at Washtenaw Community College and transfer here (and graduate), I'm never counted as a graduate of EMU," he said.

"We ask you to make sure higher education is a top priority," Willis told legislators. "It should be viewed as an investment, not as an expense. Unless the current trend changes, I don't see higher education doing what it needs to do in the future. We are prepared to help ourselves any way we can. But we need your help to make sure EMU continues to thrive and be the great institution it has been."

Willis testified earlier this spring before the House subcommittee in Lansing.

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**Nelson captures
 NCAA heptathlon
 title, also places
 third nationally in
 long jump**

By Ron Podell

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Lela Nelson certainly picked the right time to peak.

Nelson, a senior on Eastern Michigan University's women's track and field team, recorded personal bests in five of seven events enroute to capturing the national heptathlon title at the NCAA Track and Field Championships in Sacramento, Calif., June 10-11.

Nelson scored 5,878 points to defeat runner-up and national favorite Jessica Stockard, of the University of Georgia, who scored 5,794 points. In the heptathlon, competitors earn points in each of seven events based on a scoring table for each event.

"Of course I feel blessed, but it hasn't quite sunk in yet that I am the #1 collegiate heptathlete in the United States," Nelson said. "I mean, you can't really go into a competition thinking you can't win it all...Like Coach (Steve) Lewis says, 'if you compete and try to get second, you just might get third. But if you compete to win, you might get second.'"

"What a nice, nice surprise," said Bob Maybouer, EMU's head women's track and field coach. "I don't think we were thinking national champion. Certainly, we were thinking Lela would make All-American, which is top eight. We even thought there was a chance for top five."

But Nelson exceeded even those lofty expectations.

Nelson, seeded 21st nationally going into the NAAs with a top score of 5,360, started out by placing ninth in the high jump (5 feet, 5 1/4 inches). After a personal best in the shot put (39 feet, 10 1/2 inches), she moved up to sixth.

But it was her next three events that set the tone for the competition.

Nelson finished the first day with wins in the 100-meter hurdles (:13.59) and 200 meters (:23.78 PR), which shot her into second overall, just 25 points behind Stockard.

On the second day of competition, Nelson came out strong again, placing



NELSON SOARS : Eastern Michigan University's Lela Nelson soars over the high jump bar during the heptathlon competition at the recent NCAA Championships. Nelson scored 5,878 points to claim the national championship, becoming EMU's third female track and field national champion. Nelson also placed third in the long jump.

vaulted her into the overall lead.

Once she started to roll, she got more confident in each event," Maybouer said.

Although it was another PR, Nelson only placed 12th in the next event, the javelin (114 feet, 5 inches). However, Stockard was behind in 13th. In the final event, the 800 meters (2:22.71), Nelson set her fifth PR, good enough for 12th, while Stockard finished fifth. But Nelson's effort was good enough to retain the overall lead and win the heptathlon title.

Nelson said her effort in the 800 surprised her most.

"I knew I would run faster than 2:27 from last year, but I was judging my race according to those in my section," Nelson explained. "I thought I hadn't run as fast as I should have but, when I saw my time, I just thought 'them girls was runnin'."

"I don't think she really thought she had it won until it was over and it was announced," said Maybouer, who gave credit to Steve Lewis, an assistant coach, who has worked with Nelson on the technical aspects of her events over the years. "He's done a marvelous job guiding her and coaching her. All I did was recruit her."

Nelson also appreciated Lewis's efforts and his confidence in her.

"I never said (I can win this thing) because Coach Lewis said it for me. And he said it before we even got to Sacramento!" Nelson said.

Nelson is EMU's third women's national track and field champion. Mireille Sankatsing won the national 800-meter indoor title in 1992 and Sevatheda Fynes won the outdoor 200 meters in 1995.

Earlier in the meet, Nelson also set a school record in the individual long jump, where she placed third nationally with a leap of 21 feet, 3 1/2 inches. The effort also earned her All-American status.

Between the heptathlon and the long jump, Nelson scored 16 points, good enough to place EMU 16th overall in the team standings.

Nelson's effort has her pondering her future.

"I'm still thinking about the professional world," Nelson said. "I've had people approach my coach about representing me, but I'm still thinking about it — long and hard."

"This couldn't happen to a finer young lady," Maybouer said. "She's a home-grown product from Detroit Mumford and does us all very proud. This shows the continued quality of our program."

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**National publication
 honors EMU for
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By Ron Podell



For the second consecutive year, "Black Issues in Higher Education" magazine has cited Eastern Michigan University for its growing number of African-American students who earn undergraduate degrees.

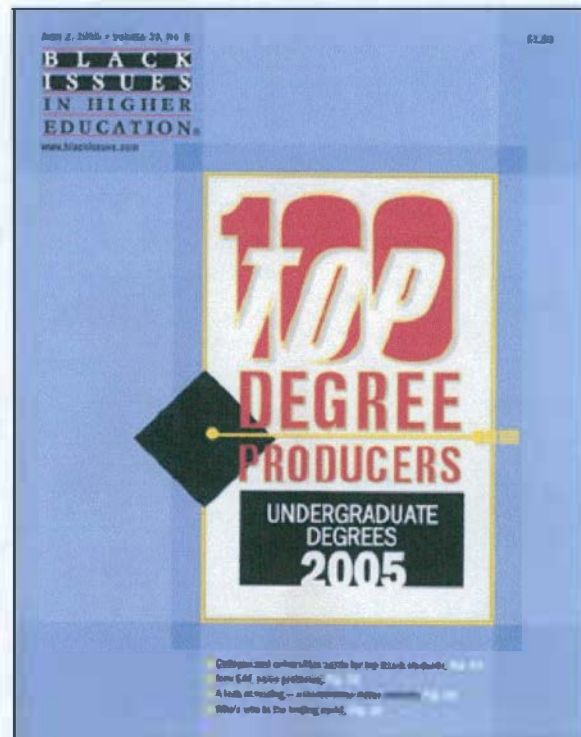
For 2004, the national magazine ranked EMU 76th nationally (out of more than 300 colleges and universities) for the number of baccalaureate degrees bestowed upon African-American students at EMU. Eastern Michigan awarded 371 bachelor's degrees to African-American students in 2004.

That number is up 7 percent from 2003, when 346 African-American students received bachelor's degrees at Eastern. For 2003, EMU ranked 81st in the magazine's rankings.

Approximately 17.4 percent of EMU's 19,000 undergraduate students are African American.

"It's critical that our University reflect the state's population in our graduation rates. I'm extremely pleased that we have been able to — as one of the few schools in the country — reflect the percentage of (African American) minorities in (our) state," said Courtney McAnuff, vice president for enrollment services. "Eastern is about results for these students. Many people talk, but Eastern's faculty actually produce results."

"I think the graduates reflect Eastern Michigan's ongoing commitment to providing a successful learning experience for our diverse population of students," said Whitney Harris, EMU's director of diversity.



MAKING THE GRADE: Eastern Michigan University ranked 76th nationally in the number of African-American students who received baccalaureate degrees in 2004, according to "Black Issues in Higher Education" magazine. Results were listed in the June 2 issue of the national publication.

EMU also ranked first in the Mid-American Conference and was third among Michigan universities, trailing only Michigan State and Wayne State universities. The analysis was compiled by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics' Integrated

awarded during the 2003-04 academic year.

EMU also ranked in a number of subcategories, including the number of American Indian students receiving baccalaureate degrees in education (13th); the number of African-American students receiving baccalaureate degrees in education (25th); total number of minorities receiving baccalaureate degrees in education (40th); the number of African-American students receiving baccalaureate degrees in English language and literature (8th); and the total number of minorities receiving baccalaureate degrees in English language and literature (33rd).

"Black Issues in Higher Education" was founded in 1984 and is considered America's premiere news source for information relative to African-American educational issues.

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Willis names Sturgis Hill interim director for Office of Diversity

By Ward Mullens

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Eastern Michigan University Interim President Craig Willis announced today that he has named Judy Sturgis Hill the interim director of the Office of Diversity and Affirmative Action. Sturgis Hill, currently associate director for diversity programs, McKenny Union/Campus Life, replaces Whitney Harris, who resigned to take a position with the University of Minnesota system.

In making the announcement, Willis said, "Dr. Harris has provided exceptional leadership in his role as director of diversity and he has significantly advanced the role of the office within the University. We are grateful for his many contributions to EMU and wish him the very best as he pursues new opportunities in Minnesota. Fortunately, we have an outstanding administrator in Judy Sturgis Hill who has agreed to provide interim leadership as we conduct a national search for the position."

Sturgis Hill came to EMU as a student in 1969. In 1971, she joined the EMU Forensics team and, in 1972, she won the national championship in the "After Dinner Speaking" category, the first EMU student to do so. Sturgis Hill received her bachelor's degree in communication from EMU in 1973 and her master's degree in communications in 1990. From 1983-89, Sturgis Hill served as coordinator of project awareness at the University of Michigan. She was selected as a King/Chavez/Parks fellow at EMU in 1989, was a lecturer from 1990-92, and, in 1992, was hired on the tenure-track faculty in EMU's Communication and Theatre Arts department.



Sturgis Hill

During her tenure at EMU, Sturgis Hill has taught in the CTA department, coached the EMU Forensics team, was selected as the first faculty-in-residence and, for 10 years, served as co-director of the Summer Institute for the Arts and Sciences. Most recently, Sturgis Hill served as the associate director for diversity programs, McKenny Union/Campus Life.

"It's an honor to be asked to step in to fill this very important role at the University. I'll be spending the next few weeks working closely with Whitney and picking his brain. As I told the president, I'm committed to doing the best job I can," Sturgis Hill said.

Her appointment is effective July 1, 2005.

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High school students fly the skies, check out a crime scene, participate in a mock trial and explore career possibilities at Summerquest

By Carol Anderson

Blood splatters, fingerprints, drugs and hair are analyzed weekly by actors on the television show, "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," and now 23 high school students can take a stab at it.

These area high school students are among the more than 80 students who will participate in Eastern Michigan University's Summerquest 2005, a learning and exploration program for students in grades 10-12. The one-week programs, scheduled June 19-25, include aviation, crime scene investigation, health careers, pre-law, and technology and African-American studies. The two-week programs — forensics (debate) and theatre — run June 19-July 1. All Summerquest activities will occur on EMU's main campus.

"Summerquest is a vehicle for students to reach goals and dreams while experiencing the strengths of EMU as an institution and the commitment of its faculty as teachers and mentors," said JoAnna DeCamp, director of non-credit programs at EMU's Continuing Education Department.

The Summerquest programs are:



- **Aviation.**

Students learn to fly one of EMU's Cessna 172s and use a flight simulator. They'll visit a corporate flight operation, an aircraft maintenance

-training center and local aviation-related businesses.



THEATRICAL MOMENTS: Area high school students conduct a movement exercise as part of the theatre program offered at Eastern Michigan University's Summerquest program. The theatre program is offered again this summer. Summerquest programs start June 19.

- **Crime Scene Investigation.** Participants use forensic chemistry to conduct CSI experiments using mock crime scenes and investigate simulated crime scenes using chemistry, physics and biology.
- **Health Careers.** Students participate in a mock disaster, take field trips to local hospitals and earn first-aid and CPR certification. They'll observe doctors, nurses, social workers, X-ray technicians

- **Pre-Law.** Students practice mock trial exercises, visit local courtrooms and take mini-courses in American government and politics.
- **Technology and African-American Studies.** Students build a Web site, create and deliver a PowerPoint presentation, and visit the Charles H. Wright Museum of African-American History in Detroit and the New Underground Railroad Museum in Cincinnati.
- **Forensics.** Participants receive one-on-one coaching and professional guidance in public address, interpretation and skills on how to compete and win in forensics competitions.
- **Theatre.** Students take classes in acting, musical theatre performance, voice and movement, improvisation, technical design and production.

"Students come away with a real sense of the academic and professional careers and how to achieve them," said DeCamp.

Local students, as well as those from as far away as California, have registered for Summerquest, said Tracy Rich, administrative assistant with EMU's Summerquest.

Summerquest, now in its fourth year, has expanded each year to include new programs and additional students. Initially, Summerquest offered only theatre and forensics. This year, seven programs are on the schedule.

EMU faculty and high school educators teach the students, who experience college life as they live and eat on campus for the duration of the program.

Enrollment is limited. One-week programs are \$495, except aviation, which is \$1,495. The two-week courses cost \$895.

For more information, contact EMU's Rich at (734) 487-0442.

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EMU professor receives Fulbright grant to implement first public management institute in Latvia

By Carol Anderson

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Raymond Rosenfeld, interim department head and professor of political science at Eastern Michigan University, has been named a Fulbright Senior Specialist by the U.S. State Department and the Council for International Exchange of Scholars. As a specialist, Rosenfeld will implement the first Public Management Summer Institute in Latvia July 25-29.

"The institute will address modern public finance and effective financial management as well as help build friends and allies in Europe for the United States," said Rosenfeld.

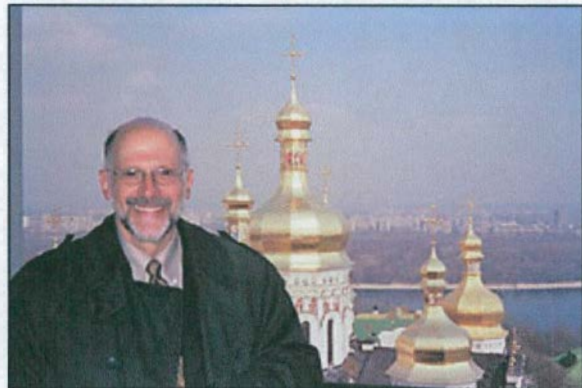
"Countries that aspire to membership in the European Union and those that have already joined, continue to move beyond a communist model of government to a modern merit-based, civil-service system, as well as toward modern performance management and budgeting systems," said Rosenfeld. "All these challenges require a well-trained workforce. This institute is another piece of the transition and training effort."

The institute will emphasize best practices and offer lectures, case studies and small group discussions. Those attending include specialists with experience in policy planning, management and analysis who represent Baltic states, Scandinavian countries, Ukraine, Belarus and Moldova.

Rosenfeld was in Moscow in May to present a research paper, analyzing the training needs of senior civil servants in Latvia, at the annual meeting of the Network of Institutes and Schools of Public Administration in Central and Eastern Europe. He also spent a week in Latvia planning the institute and working with colleagues to prepare a case study on education reform to be presented at the institute.

Rosenfeld received his first Fulbright Senior Specialist grant in 2003 to teach classes in public policy studies, meet with faculty groups and explore local government research possibilities in Ukraine. He also received a semester-long Fulbright grant in winter 2004.

Created to complement the traditional Fulbright Scholar Program, the Fulbright Senior Specialists Program offers two, six week grants to leading



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faculty development, and institutional planning at academic institutions in 140 countries.

The Fulbright Senior Specialist Program differs from the traditional Fulbright Scholar competition in that candidates apply to be added to a recommended roster of specialists. As countries request specialists, the candidates are matched with appropriate programs.

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**From photos to
 phonographs, EMU's
 archives house it all**

By Abby Palmer

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The University Archives isn't just where students and staff can locate books needed for class or to find copies of past theses and dissertations. It is a place open to everyone on campus to research the University's rich history and to learn how it has changed throughout the years.

Located on the third floor of Halle Library, the University Archives' main purpose is to collect any historical information about Eastern Michigan. The archives were created in 1970, but items in the collection date back as far as 1849. In most cases, once an item is obtained, it is kept forever. But in rare instances, an item such as a budget record can be taken out. Nothing can leave the archive's vicinity, but the collections and books can be viewed weekdays, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

The University's archive collection ranges from inactive administrative records and blueprints of buildings to faculty biographies and class rings and letter jackets worn by EMU alumni. The collection also includes a set of rare French encyclopedias and photographs of how the buildings on campus have changed throughout the years. Although some collections are closed to the public, there are hundreds of items available for viewing.



FROM THE ARCHIVES: Eastern Michigan University's archives collection, housed in Halle Library, includes everything from (pictured, above) postcards, books, photos, bobblehead dolls and one of 27 Edison phonograph players.

"Some of the most popular items that students look at are past yearbooks for photographs, old catalogs for class requirements and sororities who want to learn about buildings on campus," said EMU Archivist Rosina Tammany.

Maria Davis, archivist assistant, found one of the most important pieces in the collection. She found a receipt — dating back to 1849 — for \$25 that an Ypsilanti resident donated to the University when the city received the bid to build the school. The receipt is of great historical significance not only because of its age, but because it shows how much the community supported the University being built in Ypsilanti.

The archives collection doesn't just contain historical items about the

collection of 27 Edison phonograph players and 7,000 music reels. Motown Records also donated some memorabilia when Eastern Michigan honored the head of the record label, Barry Gordy. This particular collection is not open to the public, but includes some rare items such as news clippings, stand-up boards of the label's artists, fan magazines, sheet music and master copies of records.



The University Archives is important to EMU not only because it helps to preserve its past, but because it showcases the importance of the school to the community.

More than 300 former EMU students were trained at the University by the military to fight in World War II, which had a large impact on the community. War veteran Frederick Barney trained at

OFF TO WAR: This 1944 photo, housed in University Archives, depicts a group of then-Michigan State Normal College students who had completed their Army specialized training before being shipped to various destinations during World War II. More than 300 former EMU students were trained at the University by the military to fight in World War II.

the University's camp and will contribute a voice recording of his recollections of his war experience. Barney's contribution to the archives will be of great historical value to future generations because they will have a chance to visualize Barney's experiences in World War II through his recorded descriptions.

"The University also has made some important inroads towards music and education. We have some pretty impressive faculty here, that once included the (1992 national) teacher of the year, Thomas Fleming," Tammany said.

During 2003, 818 patrons used the archives. That number increased to 874 in 2004, Davis said.

The University Archives continue to grow every day and the archivists are always looking for more historical items. For more information about donating historical items, please contact Tammany at 487-0020, extension 2301.

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**Professor requests
 donation of Round
 Oak Stove for use in
 Town Hall School**

By Abby Palmer

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Wanted: Donation of one 1920s or '30s model Round Oak Stove, made of wrought iron. Needed for Town Hall Schoolhouse located on Eastern Michigan University's campus.

"The current stove we have in the school is a replica of a coal burning stove, similar to those from other one-room schools," said Thomas Gwaltney, professor of education and an original charter member of the Friends of the Town Hall Schoolhouse Committee. "The stove we have right now isn't appropriate for the school because it is only ornamental and it is not large enough to heat the whole school."

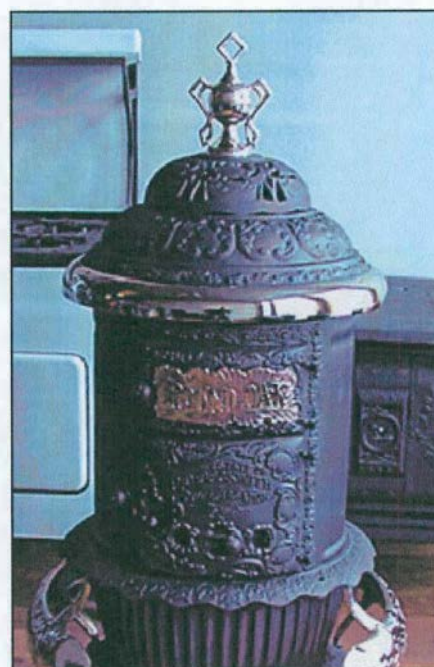
The original Round Oak Stove was developed in 1886 in Dowagiac, Mich., and, over the years, many models of the stove were sold. The stoves stand approximately 6 feet tall and had a long pipe coming out of the top, with the pipe running to the chimney. Typically, the stove would sit in the front of the classroom to give off more heat.

This wrought iron stove was once considered to be the best all-around heating stove in the world; it could provide as much or as little heat as desired. It also could burn any kind of fuel — wood, soft coal or hard coal.

According to Gwaltney, the stoves used to be sold in hardware stores in the 1920s and 1930s, and haven't been made since. Today, they can be purchased in antique stores for much more than they were once sold for. Some stoves that originally sold for \$15-\$20 could be bought today for as much as a couple thousand dollars, he said.

Back in the 19th and early 20th centuries, one-room schoolhouses were very common in the United States. For children, going to school in a one-room schoolhouse was quite an adventure because there was minimal heat and outdoor plumbing. As early as the 1930s, the use of the one-room schoolhouses began to decline and, by 1957, the Town Hall School followed the same trend when it was closed by Ann Arbor Public Schools.

"Having the Round Oak Stove in the Town Hall School is important because it will add reality to the school," said Gwaltney. "When children come to



STOVE SEARCH: Thomas Gwaltney, an original charter member of the Friends of the Geddes Town Hall Schoolhouse Committee, is hoping someone will donate a Round Oak Stove (similar to the one pictured above) to be used in the one-room Town Hall Schoolhouse located near the Children's Institute. Photo by antiquestoves.com

school and their more modern school. When they can see things like the stove in here, they can visualize more easily how times have changed."



CURRENT STOVE : This decorative stove is currently used in the Geddes Town Hall Schoolhouse.

In 1987, the Geddes family, who owned the property upon which the one-room schoolhouse had been built, donated the Town Hall School to EMU. When the building first arrived on campus, it was largely bare, containing only its original bell and piano. Today, the school is used as a learning facility where students in the education department exercise early 20th century classroom life for school children.

Because of the school's use, it is important for it to showcase the unique pieces that other one-room schools once had, such as large stoves used to heat the school and slate chalk boards that teachers and students wrote on, Gwaltney said. The Friends of the Geddes Town Hall Schoolhouse Committee hope that someone will donate the stove or, if necessary, the committee will find a way to purchase one.

Gwaltney also hopes to replace the current desks with some original wrought iron versions. Presently, the school has a handful of the wrought iron desks that were donated by Gwaltney, but more are needed to fill the classroom.

To donate a Round Oak Stove or for more information about the Town Hall School, contact Gwaltney at thomas.gwaltney@emich.edu.

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EMU students learn techniques to prevent sexual assault

By Ron Podell

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It started with the stamp of the feet, continued with a hard flick of the fingers or an open palm forward and finished with a powerful, upward thrust of the thigh. At the same time, the group repeated a loud and definitive "no!"

The students were demonstrating techniques they have learned to defend themselves in the event someone attempts to sexually assault them.

"Every single week, one of my students has said, 'I've had to use some of your teaching,'" said Katy Mattingly, an EMU lecturer who teaches an "Assault Awareness and Rape Prevention" course in the Warner Building. "One student said she learned it was okay to say 'no' to her boyfriend and another said she knew what to say and do after her friend was raped."



TAKE THAT: Ashleigh Peoples, 20, of Ypsilanti, practices self defense with "George" the instructor during a Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) course June 13. Students can learn how to better protect themselves through this and Katy Mattingly's "Assault Awareness and Rape Prevention" course. Photo by Craig Watson

Campus awareness was raised dramatically after an EMU student was criminally and sexually assaulted during an incident May 11 in a Mark Jefferson lab. Since that time, the University has reactivated SEEUS, the University's student escort service, for the spring semester. Students may request an escort for walking between campus locations from 7 p.m.-1 a.m. weekdays by

calling 48-SEEUS. University officials also announced they are offering a reward of up to \$5,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person wanted in association with the criminal sexual assault.

The incident also has garnered more inquiries about Mattingly's class.

"Even before the assault, there's been a lot of calls from people wanting to take this course," Mattingly said. "We're definitely getting more calls now."

Mattingly's class does not include actual physical contact in terms of

students do learn to identify characteristics of perpetrators and victims; learn effective skills to reduce the risk of being assaulted; learn about community resources for survivors of violence; and explore options for ongoing self-defense training.

During mock situations, Mattingly would morph into a drunken acquaintance who swears he is your best friend; pretend to be someone you may have seen once who wants to show you something in his car; and a customer at a store who tried to bully another customer out of the last item of its kind.

Students had to react to each situation and often did so by using direct eye contact, standing their ground, speaking clearly in a commanding tone and often moving someone's hand away.

Jenny, one of the students who participated in the simulated situations, said she just tried to be very resistant to Mattingly's rendition of an inebriated male.

"I tried to steer you away from me as you were touching me, I tried to turn my shoulder away," said Jenny, who repeated "no" during the exercise.

"We have to practice being verbal. 'No' is a complete sentence," Mattingly said. "Use the broken record technique. Tell someone over and over again. You don't owe anyone an explanation."

Mattingly believes there is "an enormous amount of denial" from students about what can and does happen on college campuses. Citing FBI statistics, Mattingly said one in three females are sexually assaulted before they are 18 and 16-24 is the age range when a woman is most likely to be sexually assaulted.

"In my classes, in every three of four cases, the victim said they knew their assailants," Mattingly said. "Sometimes, we're only taught to be afraid of the scary-looking man in the bushes. But more likely, it will be someone we know and happen in broad daylight."

Dale Covert, an Allen Park Police Department inspector who is taking Mattingly's class, said the course should be mandatory for every college student.

"I've been doing this 25 years and there are some things in here I've never learned before," Covert said. "This class is not at all what I expected. It's extremely well presented and dynamic."

In addition to Mattingly's course, the EMU Department of Public Safety presents another option. The department offers a free, four-session Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) course that began June 13 and continues Monday evenings through July 11. The course helps participants learn to defend themselves, make better decisions, improve use of vocal skills, and build self-confidence and self-esteem, said EMU Officer Candace Dorsey, who teaches part of the course.

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EMU psychologist offers new insight into college-age women and the urge "to be one of the guys" when it comes to drinking

By Pamela Young



An Eastern Michigan University psychologist's research about binge drinking among women undergraduates has yielded some initial results that may change the way in which society thinks about today's young women.

For an increasing number of college women, brash and rowdy behavior and excessive alcohol consumption may be new ways to make a feminist statement, said EMU psychologist Amy Young, an expert on alcohol among women and adolescents. In what Young calls an arguably distorted twist of the idea of gender equality presented by earlier generations of feminists, some college women seem to believe that being able to partake in "bad boy behavior" demonstrates gender equality.

"We looked at why college women are engaging in frequent binge drinking and, specifically, whether they are drinking to express gender equality or 'to be one of the guys,'" said Young. "While a small percentage of college women are frequent binge drinkers, the percentage seems to be increasing."



Young

According to Young, binge drinking is defined as drinking four alcoholic drinks in a sitting for females and five alcoholic drinks in a sitting for males. The difference reflects gender differences in the rate of intoxication due to body size and fat content.

"Frequent binge drinking refers to excessive alcohol consumption or binge drinking at least three times in a two-week period," said Young. "It is the kind of drinking we need to pay attention to because this is when the negative consequences of drinking — blackouts, sexual assault, personal injuries and impaired driving — are most likely to occur."

Previous national and local research studies have shown that there has been a dramatic increase in excessive and dangerous levels of alcohol consumption among a subgroup of college women, but these studies were unable to explain why this increase has occurred, said Young.



She and co-investigators Michele Morales, Sean Esteban McCabe, Carol Boyd and Hannah d'Arcy, all from the University of Michigan, set out to understand whether drinking behaviors among today's college women are tied to their beliefs about gender,

FROM THE TAP: For an increasing number of college women, excessive alcohol consumption may be a new way to make a feminist statement, according to EMU psychologist Amy Young. Photo by Craig Watson

feminism and "new rules" young adults have about what is considered appropriate

behavior for females.

Young and her colleagues conducted five focus groups with a total of 50 University of Michigan women during summer 2003. The results, which were recently published in the journal, "Substance Abuse & Misuse," found that:

- All women in the study, regardless of the amount of alcohol consumed, said that if they were to "drink like a guy," their male peers would take notice. To "drink like a guy" meant they could consume large quantities of alcohol in one sitting, and engage in drinking games that encouraged excessive alcohol consumption;
- The ability to "drink like a guy" meant that an undergraduate woman would be able to distinguish herself from other female undergraduates in the eyes of her male peers;
- While all of the women spoke about the favorable impression they could make on their male peers if they "drank like a guy," not all chose to engage in this behavior;
- Women who engaged in excessive drinking were particularly concerned with not appearing like a "girly-girl," a term the women used to refer to negative aspects of traditional female gender roles of earlier generations; and
- Women who drank excessively associated the ability to tolerate large amounts of alcohol with demonstration of control.

"Unlike previous generations of college women, this generation grew up with Title IX and were told that they could do anything boys could do," said Young, the study's primary investigator. "They were encouraged to compete with boys and were told that there was nothing a boy could do that they couldn't. So, it shouldn't be surprising that, as young adults, they are now competing with their male counterparts to see who can be the brashest or boldest in outrageous behavior."

Although Young cautions that their initial findings are based on a small sample size, the findings shed light on why some college women are drinking excessively and she hopes it will encourage researchers to conduct larger quantitative studies on the topic.

"It is vital that future research explores whether the increase in women's alcohol consumption is associated with an increase in the negative consequences associated with heavy alcohol consumption," said Young. "It's also important to examine the long-term implications of the increase in drinking. While most college students leave their heavy drinking days behind when they graduate, previous research indicates that heavy alcohol consumption during college is associated with problem drinking 10 years following graduation."

A graduate of Earlham College in Indiana, Young received a doctorate in psychology from the University of Michigan and completed a University of Michigan postdoctoral fellowship at the National Institute of Drug Abuse.

Young's other research studies have included: "Teen Pregnancy Prevention: A Common Theme Among Shades of Differences," "Outcome Evaluation of Federally Funded Residential Substance Abuse Treatment in Michigan Prisons," "Adolescents' Sexual Inferences about Drinking Women" and the evaluation of an intervention program for pregnant women in prisons.

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**Former EMU
education professor
Blume dies**

By Ron Podell

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Robert A. "Bob" Blume, a former Eastern Michigan University professor of education from 1960-69, died May 31 at Florida Hospital in Ormond Beach, Fla. He was 79.

Born Jan. 11, 1927, in Marietta, Ohio, Blume served in the Army Air Force during World War II. He attended Ohio State University and the University of Michigan, where he received his doctorate in education.

Thomas Gwaltney, professor of teacher education, said he had not spoken to Blume for many years, but had fond memories of his former colleague.

"He was intelligent and informed about educational issues," Gwaltney said. "He was courageous, a champion for human rights, and a champion for students and new faculty. He stood up for what he believed and was known for being ethical in his behavior."

In addition to teaching at EMU, Blume taught at public schools in Michigan; at the National Teacher Education Center in the Somali Republic, Africa; and at the University of Florida, where he retired as a professor emeritus.

Blume was active in Democratic politics, an outspoken opponent of the death penalty, an advocate of public education and an avid writer of letters to the editor. Blume served as president of the Humanists of Florida and the Association of Humanistic Education. He also edited the Journal of Humanistic Education, was president of the University of Florida chapter of the United Faculty of Florida, and was a member of Phi Delta Kappa, the National Education Association and the Unitarian Universalist Society of Ormond Beach.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Delorys; two daughters, Stephanie Blume, of Gainesville, and Kerry Blume, of Flagstaff, Ariz; and one granddaughter.

Tri County Cremation Service in Longwood, Fla., is planning a memorial service.

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HELPING HANDS: (from top) Bobby Murkowski, Eastern Michigan University student body president, and Mike Haynes, coordinator for the EMU Chapter of Habitat for Humanity, hand a board to another worker. The effort was part of the construction of three Habitat for Humanity homes June 9 on Firwood Street in Ann Arbor. A number of EMU students participated.

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MONOPOLY MEN: Students in Beth Johnson's "Secondary Curriculum & Instruction" and "Elementary Curriculum & Instruction" classes dressed as "monopoly men" May 31. The students used the concept of "monopoly" within the context of the Enlightenment and Romantic eras in western civilization. Students created game shows, talk shows, reality TV, soap operas, infomercials and rap songs to bring the lessons to life. From left are Penny Tullis, a graduate student from Monroe; Steve Coppens, a senior from Ottawa Lake; Cory Pengelly, a senior from Lincoln Park; Annette Taylor-Janke, a senior from Ann Arbor; Jim Conesett, a junior from Britton; David Ripstra, a graduate student from Ann Arbor; and Anna Hunter, a senior from Ypsilanti.

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BALANCING ACT: This 13-year-old acrobat/contortionist, known as Elian, defies gravity during a performance by the Moscow State Circus at the Convocation Center May 31. The two-hour production included acrobats, contortionists, clowns and a ringmaster. Photo by Craig Watson

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TWO FOR ONE: (from left) Thomas Gwaltney, professor of teacher education, and Dean Rockwell, a 1935 alumnus of Eastern Michigan University, were honored with a surprise cake during a celebration of the heritage of one-room schoolhouses May 23. Gwaltney, an original charter member of the Friends of the Geddes Town Hall Schoolhouse Committee, was honored for his 41 years of service to EMU. Gwaltney will retire in August. Rockwell celebrated his 93rd birthday. Photo by Craig Watson

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FOUNTAIN FROLIC: These little ones from the Children's Institute enjoy splashing water at Chavez Fountain on a recent warm day in May. Photo by Craig Watson

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IN THE CARDS: To celebrate National Employee Health and Fitness Day May 17, the Employee Wellness program hosted a "poker walk" at the Lake House in University Park. After each lap they completed, each of the 75 participants were rewarded with a playing card. (from left) Barb Figurski, an assistant director at the Rec/IM, provides a card to Cathie McClure, executive secretary to the vice president for student affairs. Akosua Slough, administrative secretary in Academic Affairs, draws a card from Mary Jo Desprez, associate director of University Health Services. Photo by Craig Watson

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**Fifteen EMU
 employees celebrate
 service
 anniversaries in
 June**

By Abby Palmer



These people are celebrating service anniversaries with the University in June.

35 years

Kathleen Tinney (37 years), associate vice president, University Relations

Gerald Hartenburg (35 years), scientific instrument technician 1, biology



Hartenburg

25 years

Malcolm Marts (25 years), manager, plant support services

Earl Roggeman (25 years), senior academic evaluator/recorder, office of the registrar

Carol Post (25 years), secretary, English language and literature

20 years



Findley

Cheryl Reeves (20 years), senior secretary, WEMU FM

Teri Papp (20 years), administrative associate to the vice president, vice president for student affairs

Lynette Findley (20 years), director, Holman Learning Center

Helen Gates-Bryant (20 years), manager of purchasing operations, purchasing

15 years

K. Roth Woods (15 years), advertising/promotions specialist, dining services

Mary Ann Watson (15 years), professor, communication and theatre arts

Fred Towers-Hoover (15 years), academic advisor II, CAS Academic Advising Center



10 years

Kathryn Wilhoff (10 years), director of health and safety, health and safety administration

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Clifford Elston (10 years), computer network system administrative senior, College of Education dean's office

Deborah Sowa (10 years), admissions processor, admissions internal operations

EMU by the numbers

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Based on 1,915 responses of freshmen who enrolled at Eastern Michigan University in fall 2004, 65.9 percent of males listed EMU as their first college choice. The percentage of women who said EMU was their first choice was even higher, at 71.3 percent. Students noted a number of factors as "very important" in influencing their decision to attend EMU. The top reasons given by EMU's freshmen that were surveyed, based on percentage, are:

Males surveyed

EMU's graduates get good jobs **29 percent**

EMU has a very good academic reputation **28.8 percent**

The cost of attending EMU **27.1 percent**

A visit to EMU **23.5 percent**

Students wanted to live near home **22.3 percent**

Females surveyed

EMU has a very good academic reputation **48.4 percent**

EMU's graduates get good jobs **43.8 percent**

The cost of attending EMU **39.5 percent**

Wanted to go to a school about the size of EMU **32.9 percent**

A visit to EMU **31.1 percent**



Source: Cooperative Institutional Research Program (CIRP)

News Briefs

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The following are news briefs about important activities and events happening at Eastern Michigan University.

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By Ron Podell

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- **Board of Regents meeting scheduled June 21:** The Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents meets Tuesday, June 21. The committee schedule is as follows: Faculty Affairs Committee, 8 a.m., 205 Welch Hall; Student Affairs Committee, 9 a.m., 201 Welch Hall; Educational Policies Committee, 10 a.m., 205 Welch Hall; Finance Committee, 11 a.m., 201 Welch Hall; Regular Meeting (communications section), 12:30 p.m., 201 Welch Hall; Recess for lunch, 1 p.m.; reconvene regular meeting, 2 p.m., 201 Welch Hall. For more information, call Dana Aymond at 487-2410.
 - **Reception to honor President Willis and Marilyn Willis:** The University and community are invited to join the EMU Board of Regents in honoring President Craig Willis and his wife, Marilyn Willis, as they conclude their service to the University. The reception is scheduled Tuesday, June 21, 3-5:30 p.m., McKenny Union Ballroom. A short program is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. For more information, call 487-2410.
 - **EMU offers reward:** EMU is offering a reward of up to \$5,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person wanted in association with a criminal sexual assault against an EMU student. According to EMU's Department of Public Safety, a 21-year-old EMU student was criminally sexually assaulted May 11 in 413 Mark Jefferson. The victim described her attacker as a black male, approximately 5 feet, 11 inches to 6 feet tall, wearing red and white tennis shoes and a blue hockey jersey with white lettering. A computer-generated composite sketch of the suspect can be found at www.emich.edu/suspect.htm. Anyone with information regarding the suspect or the incident is urged to call CRIME STOPPERS TIP LINE at 800-SPEAK-UP (773-2587) or the EMU Police at 487-1222.
 - **Frog and Toad family musical hops onto EMU stage:** The play, "A Year with Frog and Toad," will be performed Friday, June 17, 7 p.m.; and Saturday, June 18, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., in the Sponberg Theatre. Tickets are \$9-\$14 for adults and \$6 for children ages 5-12. To purchase tickets, contact the EMU Theatre Box Office, 487-1221.
 - **Ninth Annual Friends of Wrestling Golf Outing scheduled July 18:** The EMU Friends of Wrestling Golf Outing is scheduled Monday, June 18, Washtenaw Country Club, Ypsilanti. Funds raised at the outing go into endowed wrestling scholarships to augment the scholarships offered by the University. For more information, call 487-1050.



A RIBBETING STAGE:
 The play, "A Year with Frog and Toad," will be performed June 17-18.

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Football tickets on sale: Season ticket renewals and new season ticket applications for the 2005 football season are now available at the Convocation Center ticket office. Away game tickets, including the University of Michigan game, are available beginning July 5 (if you are a

season ticket holder, they became available June 1). Single-game home tickets go on sale August 1. EMU faculty and staff can purchase reserved season tickets for \$60, which includes a ticket to the EMU-Western Michigan University football game at Ford Field. In order to receive a priority seating number as a new season ticket buyer for this year, a deposit equal to half the estimated cost is required. For more information, call 487-2282.

- **Office of Undergraduate Studies seeks candidates:** The Office of Undergraduate Studies seeks candidates to fill the faculty associate position in Undergraduate Studies beginning in the summer term. It also seeks a director of diversity in the curriculum for the fall term. For both positions, interested faculty members should contact Anne Seaman, interim director of Undergraduate Studies, 487-5624, or aseaman@emich.edu.
- **EMU provides alternative parking to City of Ypsilanti:** Eastern Michigan University will provide extra parking spaces to the city of Ypsilanti during reconstruction of the North Huron parking lot.

Residents and customers of downtown Ypsilanti can utilize non-metered spaces at the north end of the North Washington Street parking lot.

"We are pleased to offer access to the available spaces in EMU's parking lot for residents and business patrons during the reconstruction of the city's parking lot. Our goal is to be good neighbors and this is one example of many ways that we collaborate and share resources with the city," said Juanita Reid, vice president for University Relations at EMU.

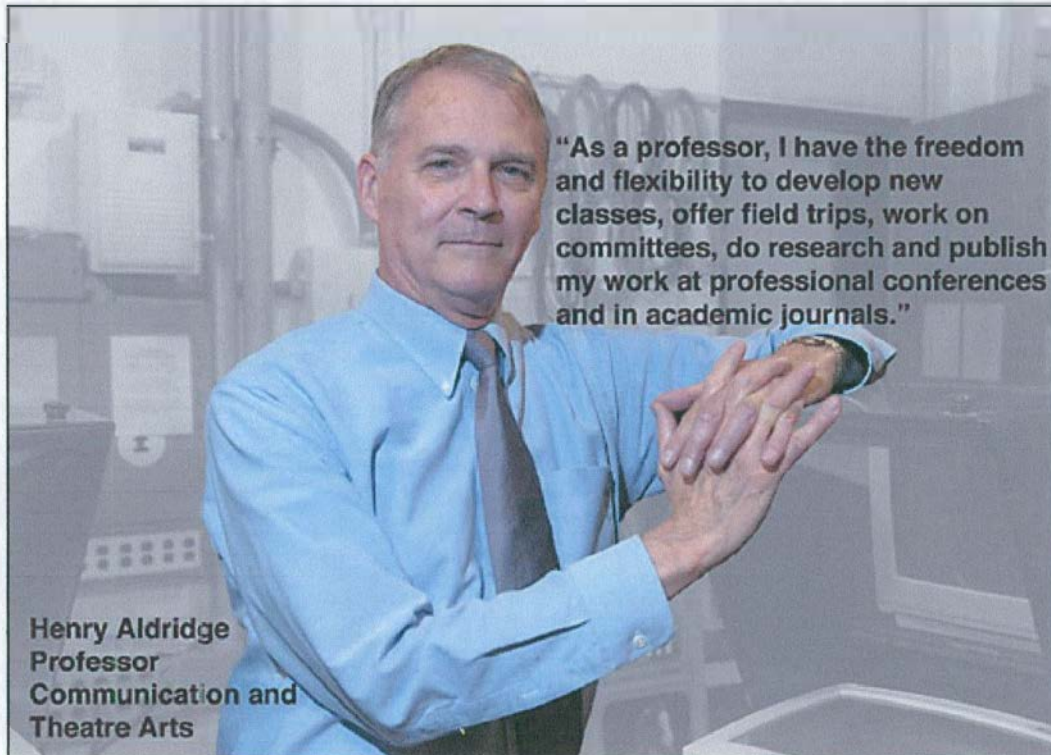
"EMU saw the need for the alternative parking and worked to make this arrangement possible for the downtown district," said Jennifer Goulet, DDA director. "This is another great example of the types of collaborations that are happening between the University and the city."

Construction, which began in May, is slated to finish in August. Maintenance and policing of the EMU-owned portion of the North Washington lot will be assumed by the City of Ypsilanti until Aug. 15, 2005.

Why I teach at Eastern Michigan University

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"As a professor, I have the freedom and flexibility to develop new classes, offer field trips, work on committees, do research and publish my work at professional conferences and in academic journals."

**Henry Aldridge
Professor
Communication and
Theatre Arts**

I came to EMU 33 years ago. At that time, the Department of Communication and Theatre Arts had no major in broadcasting and film, and I was allowed to develop one.

Some 30 years later, hundreds of EMU graduates are working in a wide variety of electronic media outlets thanks, in part, to the program I helped to design.

One of our graduates is Steve Wild, owner of Grace & Wild Studios in Southfield. Last month, we had two student interns at the Cannes Film Festival in France.

EMU encourages me to do so many enriching things. Recently, I took a group of students to New York City where we visited Radio City Music Hall and several museums including the Museum of the Moving Image.

I'm very much impressed with the students at Eastern Michigan. They are very dedicated to getting an education. Many work full-time and still take a full load of classes.

Next summer, I'm organizing a trip to Italy for students to study Italian culture as it is portrayed in motion pictures. These trips allow me to get to know students better and to share my passion for travel with them.

Also, EMU allows me to pursue my interests and encourages me to participate in civic projects.

One of my hobbies is playing the theatre organ. In 1970, I restored the pipe organ at the Michigan Theatre in Ann Arbor. In 1979, I helped to form the Michigan Theatre Foundation to save the organ from being lost and the

theatre from demolition. I was president and am now a member of the Foundation's Executive Committee.

As a professor, I have the freedom and the flexibility to develop new classes, offer field trips, work on committees, do research and publish my work at professional conferences and in academic journals. I love teaching about motion pictures and broadcasting, and look forward to every day in the classroom.

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