COMING EVENTS

Feb. 6 — Wind Ensemble directed by William Cole. 8:15 p.m., Concert Hall.
Feb. 7 — Intercollegiate Jazz Invitational directed by William Cole. 7:30 p.m., Main Auditorium.
Feb. 20 — Collegium Musicum directed by Mary Tersey-Smith. 8:15 p.m., Choral Hall.
Feb. 21 — Opera Workshop: Acts I and IV of "La Boheme" directed by Bruce Pullan. 8:15 p.m., Concert Hall.
Feb. 22-25 — "Medea" by Euripides, presented by Western Theatre and directed by Dennis Catrell. 8:15 p.m., Main Auditorium (Feb. 22-24); matinee at 2:15 p.m. (Feb. 25).
Feb. 23 — Chamber Jazz directed by Scott Reeves. 8:15 p.m., Concert Hall.
Feb. 27 — Western Symphony Orchestra conducted by Barton Frank. 8:15 p.m., Concert Hall.
Feb. 28 — "New Music" at Western (original student compositions). 8:15 p.m., Concert Hall.
March 1 — Collegium Musicum directed by Mary Tersey-Smith. 8 p.m., Whatcom Museum.
March 6 — Chamber Jazz directed by Scott Reeves. 8:15 p.m., Concert Hall.
March 8-16 — R. Allen Jensen and Nikos Dante—drawing instruments, drawings and assemblage pieces. Western Gallery, open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.
March 10 — Graduate Recital: Ian Mitchell, guitar. 8:15 p.m., Choral Hall.
March 11 — Graduate Recital: Laurie Kramer, soprano. 3 p.m., Concert Hall.
March 12-14 — Winter Dance Concert. 8:15 p.m., Main Auditorium.
March 13 — Wind Ensemble conducted by William Cole. 8:15 p.m., Concert Hall.
March 14 — Choir Concert directed by Robert Seandrett. 8:15 p.m., Concert Hall.
March 15 — Symphonic Band conducted by Cole Biasini. 8:15 p.m., Concert Hall.
March 15-18 — "Arms and the Man" by George Bernard Shaw, presented by Western's Touring Theatre and directed by Douglas VanderYacht. 8:15 p.m., Old Main Theatre (March 15-17); matinee at 2:15 p.m. (March 18).

Pathways criss-cross Red Square during recent snowfall as students make way to and from classes.
Career planning:

A career should be more than just a job that pays well

Imagine you are at a party and as you enter the room, people have formed six groups talking about six distinct subjects. Which group would you feel most comfortable joining and conversing with?

No, that's not a new party game. Rather, it's a technique used by Tina Brinson, a career development and planning counselor at Western's Career Planning and Placement Center.

Brinson, a Bellingham native, deals mainly with underclassmen at Western. She uses the "party" approach when confronted by students who say they are undecided about their interests or future careers.

On the job at Western since October, Brinson said she approaches career development as a two-phase process.

"The first step is to increase a student's self-understanding of his or her own values, skills and interests," she said. "Secondly, we want to give them the ability to make the transition from college to the work world based on accurate information and realistic job requirements."

While some might boast that their career choice was a simple decision, that is rarely the case today.

"An incredible number of students don't know what they are interested in," Brinson said. "I'm terrified by the number who respond to that question by asking, 'Where are the most jobs?'" She and other center staff members try to get students, "hopefully as freshmen," to look inside themselves before thinking about external things such as salaries and the job market.

"It doesn't really matter how lucrative a career might be or how plentiful those jobs are if a person doesn't fit into that type of work," she explained. "The process of finding a career is really one of constructing a self-image."

Using a method called values clarification, Brinson counsels students to look at their lives as a whole, rather than just one job. She asks them what size town they want to live in, their hobbies, and how soon they plan to have a family.

"A surprising number of married students have given no thought to what will happen when they graduate," she said. "When one spouse has a good job locally and the other gets an offer from another area, problems may begin to surface."

Brinson encourages visits out into the working world where students can talk with people employed in various career areas.

Another part of her job is to help students become acquainted with all facets of a career field—salaries, promotional opportunities and similar considerations. She also advises students to take some business and computer science courses—areas typical liberal arts students tend to ignore.

This quarter Brinson is introducing the concept of career development to freshmen-level history classes. In future quarters she hopes to expand her efforts to other disciplines and to upperclassmen.

After graduation from the University of Washington with a degree in history, Brinson moved to Chicago. Several months of searching produced a few "You were our second choice" responses but no teaching job.

She landed in the personnel department of Chicago's Quaker Oats Company where she progressed through four positions. She eventually became an employee counselor providing personal and career counseling, life planning activities and job analysis services.

The company helped and encouraged her to attend graduate school and she received her master's degree in guidance and counseling from Chicago's Loyola University.

At Western, Brinson works closely with the Academic Advisement Center staff on campus. Their teamwork promises to provide Western students with a more meaningful education and a step ahead in the job market upon graduation.

Coed murders stun local community

The campus and surrounding community continued in shock at the news and unfolding developments concerning the January 12 murders of two Western coeds.

Found dead in a car parked a few miles from campus were Karen L. Mandic, 22, of Bellevue, and Diane A. Wilder, 27, of Bremerton, Bellingham police were holding a suspect, who also was being investigated for possible felonies in New York and California. The suspect was found to have no connection with Western.

Miss Mandic, a junior majoring in business administration, and Miss Wilder, who transferred to Western last fall as a junior pursuing Middle East subjects, lived together at a house in Bellingham. Both women were described by campus and police authorities and friends and acquaintances as personable, reliable and popular.

"There are no consoling words to mitigate the tragic deaths of these two women," said University President Paul J. Olscamp. "The loss of Karen Mandic and Diane Wilder is felt by the entire University community, as well as by all residents in this area. Few of us, including long-time members of the campus community, have any experience with this kind of tragedy."
Western officials critical of Ray's operating budget

Only minimal improvements in operations at Western for the 1979-81 biennium would be possible under a budget recommended December 19 to the State Legislature by Governor Dixy Lee Ray.

Ray proposed an operating budget of $60,372,000, compared with the University's request of $67,771,000 for 1979-81. The Governor's recommendation is $472,000 or .8 percent more than Western's proposed $59,710,000 for the previous biennium.

That total is computed by doubling Western's 1978-79 budget and assumes no increases in enrollment. However, Western last fall recorded a second highest enrollment of 9,800 students and University projections indicate a student population of more than 10,000 by the end of the new biennium.

University President Paul J. Olscamp said the Governor's proposal, if approved by the State Legislature, would "seriously impact" plans to upgrade Western's academic computing program, additions to the state-funded research program and the start of a proposed nursing program.

He said $359,000 had been included in the University's budget request to fund the nursing program and $399,000 was sought to support the Sundquist Marine Laboratory at Anacortes, which Western operates as part of a consortium of seven state colleges and universities.

"Neither items are within the [Ray] budget," he said.

Ray Varley, Western's director for external affairs, said the University also is concerned about the lack of funds for such projects as preparation of Washington's first atlas, the University's Pacific Northwest Studies Program, and the Demography and Vehicle Research centers.

"We had requested $373,000 to support these highly successful research areas and $112,000 for increased support of other current units such as our Aquatic Studies, Canadian-American Studies and the position of the state climatologist, who is a Western professor," Varley added. "We're going to push for these projects in the legislature."

University officials also called Ray's recommendation for Western's 1979-81 capital budget "disappointing."

Westerm has requested $20,631,510 for 20 capital projects, 18 of them on campus, including a joint project with the state for an incineration unit. The other two projects are with the City of Bellingham and the Sundquist Marine consortium. But the Governor has recommended only $5,060,700 for four projects—improvements to south campus fields and grounds, minor improvements to buildings and grounds, and complete funding ($1,615,500) of a new fire station for the City of Bellingham.

Varley said Western had sought only $800,000 to share the cost of the new station with the city over the biennium and needs additional funds for the long-overdue construction of a non-spectator physical education building and major improvements to Edens and Miller halls.

Also lacking from Ray's proposal are $653,111 in requested funds to continue to make Western's campus more accessible to the handicapped. Improvements to doors, elevators, restrooms, stairways and walks are required by federal regulation.

Ray's recommendation calls for tuition increases at Washington's state four-year institutions. For resident, undergraduate students at Western, the annual cost would increase from $618 to $684.

Olscamp has emphasized that he could not endorse any increases in tuition and fees unless the University provides students with additional or improved academic services. Since state funding is tied to student enrollment projections, he added, Western is concerned by state Office of Financial Management projections of enrollments of 9,663 in 1979-80 and 9,838 in 1980-81.

"Western already had 9,800 students on campus this fall and our trend of steady, moderate growth is continuing," he said. "We project 9,900 and 10,100 students for each of the next academic years, respectively, and we're concerned that state funding will not be adequate to maintain our standards for quality education for these students."

Terrey named director of state community college system

Western alumnus Dr. John N. Terrey was named the new executive director of the state's community college system in December.

Terrey, 51, said in an interview with the Seattle Times that he is "dedicated to the ideal of the 'open door' two-year college at 'a modest cost to the student.'"

Joining the state's community college system in 1969 as deputy director, Terrey has served as acting director since the resignation of John C. Mundt last September.

Terrey said student attrition is a major concern of the community college system. The college system has applied for a $156,000 grant from the National Institute of Education to develop a project which will help students overcome learning problems, he added.

The new director earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees at Western and a doctorate in education from Washington State University. He served as president of the Washington Education Association in 1960-61 and was chairman of the Washington State Commission for the Humanities in 1975-76.

Terrey told the Times that community colleges must address the "question of purpose."

"We're going to have to spend a lot of time ... on the purposes of community colleges and what citizens are willing to pay for those purposes," he said.

Stating that he is a strong supporter of vocational education, Terrey emphasized his concern about declining enrollment in academic areas, especially in the humanities.

He and his wife, Elizabeth, live in Olympia.
Western's Speech and Hearing Clinic has gained a quality reputation both for its services and for the expertise of speech pathologists and audiologists who learn and serve through the clinic. Operated by the Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology, the clinic offers high quality services to both the Western community and the public. Speech pathology and audiology students work under the close supervision of faculty and staff.

The clinic is the most comprehensive of its kind north of Seattle and serves the ever-growing populations of the five-county area in northwest Washington.

Complete diagnostic and therapeutic services are offered for a wide variety of communication problems. Some of those include stuttering, stroke or accident victims, hearing impairment, voice disorders, delayed language development, autism, brain damage, cerebral palsy, cleft-palate and laryngectomy.

Other diagnostic services include hearing screening and evaluation services to the public schools and evaluations and screening of speech, language and voice disorders.

Through its consultation services, the Speech and Hearing Clinic provides services to other agencies in the community such as the Department of Public Health, parochial schools, Headstart and numerous pre-school and day-care centers.

In addition to operating a program for parents and others on the prevention of speech and hearing problems, the clinic also offers speakers to groups wishing to learn more about communication problems.

The clinic charges a nominal fee for service to help cover expenses. Fees may be adjusted for persons unable to pay the full amount. Contractual arrangements are also made with other agencies for services.

Western’s speech pathology and audiology students come from as far away as Ontario, Canada, and as near as Bellingham. Many have developed innovative programs for the clinic. An example is the highly successful outreach program for hearing-aid users, where students conducted classes in the proper care and maintenance of hearing aid devices in local communities.

Those interested in any of the clinic’s services or programs should write to Western Washington University, Speech and Hearing Clinic, Room 13, College Hall, Bellingham, WA 98225, or call (206) 676-3881.
Basketball trip draws raves from participants

A recent road trip through Oregon and northern California by the Western men’s and women’s basketball teams may have set a precedent for colleges across the country. It was the first time the Viking squads had traveled together and illustrates how seriously the school regards federal Title IX legislation.

Title IX is a provision of the Educational Amendments Act of 1972 which prohibits sex discrimination in educational programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance.

“I think we may have done something unique,” said women’s Coach Lynda Goodrich of the junket which lasted eight days and covered 2,300 miles.

“Everything went great and the players thoroughly enjoyed it,” she continued. “You would think being on the road a week would tend to make members of both squads (20 total) a little irritable, but we didn’t have any of that.”

Men’s Coach Chuck Randall would like the teams to continue traveling together as long as “we have great people like this.”

“Having a mixed group could present problems as far as discipline is concerned,” he said. “I don’t think every school in the country could do it.”

Members of both squads attended each other’s games and cheered one another on. They also spent some of their free time together, sight-seeing, shopping and watching movies.

The teams held four practices together, each squad using one-half of the court. Drills requiring the full court were not used until the end of the tour when one team had finished.

Mutual respect has made for a history of good feelings between the two squads, each program having a tradition of success.

“But for camaraderie such as this to develop, it has to start with the coaches,” Goodrich stated. “If we didn’t respect each other it wouldn’t work out because a team usually reflects the attitude of its coach.”

The trip south also proved successful from a win-loss standpoint, the men’s team winning all four of its games and the women’s squad two of three.

“Winning always makes for a pretty good trip,” said Randall, “but getting to know each member of the men’s team personally made it even better. I know it really helped us [men’s team] having them there.”

Goodrich felt that her players watching the men’s team helped in their own play and “I appreciated being able to talk [basketball] with Randall.”

The day after the men’s team defeated Western Baptist College 82-75, a pass closure in the Siskiyou Mountains caused the bus to be delayed an hour. Randall used the time to give a talk which ended with everyone holding hands and reciting the “Athlete’s Prayer.”

Soon after the players began singing Christmas carols and then the bus turned into a disco of sorts as a few members of both teams danced in the aisle to tape-recorded music.

“That was probably the key point of the trip in bringing the teams together,” said Keri Worley, a member of the women’s team. “Everyone learned something from that and more than just basketball.”

Both the men’s and women’s squads defeated California State University/Chico (66-65 and 62-52) and California State University/Sacramento (70-68 and 58-50). Against San Francisco State University, the women lost 58-50 and the men won 53-46.

That Western should be a forerunner in this area is not new. The school was putting added emphasis on women’s athletics before Title IX became law.

“The growth of women’s sports has meant for a lot of give and take,” said Goodrich. “Chuck [Randall] and I have always tried to compromise and work things out. When I talk with other [women’s] coaches, I feel lucky to be where I am. It could be a very tough situation if things weren’t this way.”

Having proved that men’s and women’s basketball teams can travel more inexpensively together while profiting as individuals, Randall and Goodrich already have planned another joint road trip for next season.

CLASS OF ’29 REUNION

First mailings have gone out to the Class of ’29 announcing the fiftieth anniversary reunion for Thursday, June 14.

Any class members who have not received this important first announcement should contact the WWU Alumni Office, to be certain that they are included in all future mailings.

Understanding shoreline erosion and how private beachlands can be protected are among topics covered in a new report written by scientists at Western.

Designed for private property owners and resource planners, the 55-page “Puget Sound Shore Erosion Protection Study” was released last month by the state Department of Ecology.

The report was written by Dr. Thomas Terich, associate professor of geography at Western, who conducted extensive field research in Puget Sound with Scott Knowles, a graduate student in the Department of Geography and Regional Planning. Also compiling data for the illustrated report were Jerry Thorsen of the state Department of Natural Resources’ Division of Geology and Earth Resources, and Eric Nelson of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Terich said the report “explains some of the basic dynamics of shoreline processes in Puget Sound and illustrates some structural and non-structural methods of reducing erosion.”

He said some 3,075 miles of privately owned saltwater shoreline are threatened by erosion in Washington State, with about 75 percent of it along Puget Sound and Georgia Strait.

Terich emphasized that the guide is “not a do-it-yourself blueprint for shore protection, nor a substitute for professional engineering advice and design. When faced with an erosion problem,” he added, “the information will help individuals to make informed decisions about their problem and inform them of available resources.”

Shoreline erosion, beach protection covered in report

The report was written by Dr. Thomas Terich, associate professor of geography at Western, who conducted extensive field research in Puget Sound with Scott Knowles, a graduate student in the Department of Geography and Regional Planning. Also compiling data for the illustrated report were Jerry Thorsen of the state Department of Natural Resources’ Division of Geology and Earth Resources, and Eric Nelson of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Terich said the report “explains some of the basic dynamics of shoreline processes in Puget Sound and illustrates some structural and non-structural methods of reducing erosion.”

He said some 3,075 miles of privately owned saltwater shoreline are threatened by erosion in Washington State, with about 75 percent of it along Puget Sound and Georgia Strait.

Terich emphasized that the guide is “not a do-it-yourself blueprint for shore protection, nor a substitute for professional engineering advice and design. When faced with an erosion problem,” he added, “the information will help individuals to make informed decisions about their problem and inform them of available resources.”
Western's neutrino detective, Dr. Peter Kotzer, places a photo-multiplier unit in proper position before departing for Chicago.

Neutrino study gets wide recognition

A team of scientists from Western have been receiving international publicity this winter for their experiments with subatomic particles called neutrinos. Articles by New York Times science writer Malcolm W. Browne and others appearing in Newsweek and daily newspaper members of the Associated Press, plus interviews by the Canadian Broadcasting Co., have highlighted the University's research efforts.

In mid-December the team led by Dr. Peter Kotzer of the Bureau for Faculty Research reported success in detecting neutrinos at a point about three miles away from the Fermi National Laboratory at Batavia, Illinois.

According to Dr. James Albers, Western's vice provost for instruction and planning, only three accelerators in the world—in Batavia, Western Europe and the Soviet Union—now are capable of producing the high energy neutrinos needed to pass through the earth.

Kotzer and other Western scientists and researchers from the University of Washington are completing a two-year research project aimed at gauging the potential of neutrinos, which could play a role in future communications and energy systems.

Albers said the Office of Naval Research has provided about $245,000 for the research under a grant which expires next April. Kotzer said there are plans to place detectors such as have been developed at Western in Puget Sound to demonstrate how neutrinos can be received after traveling long distances through the earth and other solid matter.

Steve Kontratic, a member of the Western team who collected data on the short-range detection of neutrinos, said, “We’re seeing things we didn’t expect. Our research here has gone about 1,000 times better than expected.”

He and a Western graduate student, Roger Lord, worked out of a chilly trailer in a General Mills parking lot several miles from the lab. Temperatures inside were 34 degrees Fahrenheit.

“Our equipment arrived here in Bellingham in good shape, but Chicago’s low temperatures have made data collection tougher,” Kontratic said. “Outside it was 20 below.”

FIRST ALUMNI-VARSITY TRACK AND FIELD MEET

Western cinder coach Ralph Vernacchia has announced the first annual men's and women's alumni-varsity track and field meet, to be held at Bellingham Civic Field on Saturday, March 10. Starting time is 1 p.m.

Persons wishing to participate or wanting more details should contact Vernacchia at the Athletic Office, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA 98225.

WWU production wins play honors

The Shadow Box, a sensitive play about illness and dying produced here last fall by Western's Theatre Department, has been cited for regional honors by the American College Theatre Festival (ACTF).

Western's production played to more than 1,600 persons during its November 2-5 run and was selected as one of 14 outstanding college and university performances in the Northwest. The nine-member student cast, directed by associate professor Thomas Ward, performed again at Western January 26-27 before being judged for national honors February 1 at Portland's Lewis and Clark College.

Adjudication of the plays coincided with the Northwest Drama Conference held in Portland January 31 through February 3.

Ward said Western is one of 60 schools from ACTF's 13 regions competing for 10 invitations to perform next spring at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Last year, more than 430 colleges and universities from around the nation submitted plays for adjudication.

Written by Michael Cristofer, The Shadow Box won the 1977 Pulitzer Prize and was named for a Tony Award for best drama for the 1976-77 season. The play concerns three patients at a California hospital for the terminally ill and how their friends and families learned to cope with and accept their cancer.

During the ACTF adjudication at Western the play was praised for its ensemble, pacing and individual performances.

Ward said the cast was assisted during rehearsals by local cancer patients and medical professionals, along with spokespersons from the American Cancer Society and the hospice movement.

"Their discussions with us helped us understand that the value of living is more important than the threat of dying," he said.

WWU production wins play honors

The Shadow Box, a sensitive play about illness and dying produced here last fall by Western's Theatre Department, has been cited for regional honors by the American College Theatre Festival (ACTF).

Western's production played to more than 1,600 persons during its November 2-5 run and was selected as one of 14 outstanding college and university performances in the Northwest. The nine-member student cast, directed by associate professor Thomas Ward, performed again at Western January 26-27 before being judged for national honors February 1 at Portland's Lewis and Clark College.

Adjudication of the plays coincided with the Northwest Drama Conference held in Portland January 31 through February 3.

Ward said Western is one of 60 schools from ACTF's 13 regions competing for 10 invitations to perform next spring at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Last year, more than 430 colleges and universities from around the nation submitted plays for adjudication.

Written by Michael Cristofer, The Shadow Box won the 1977 Pulitzer Prize and was named for a Tony Award for best drama for the 1976-77 season. The play concerns three patients at a California hospital for the terminally ill and how their friends and families learned to cope with and accept their cancer.

During the ACTF adjudication at Western the play was praised for its ensemble, pacing and individual performances.

Ward said the cast was assisted during rehearsals by local cancer patients and medical professionals, along with spokespersons from the American Cancer Society and the hospice movement.

"Their discussions with us helped us understand that the value of living is more important than the threat of dying," he said.

WWU production wins play honors

The Shadow Box, a sensitive play about illness and dying produced here last fall by Western's Theatre Department, has been cited for regional honors by the American College Theatre Festival (ACTF).

Western's production played to more than 1,600 persons during its November 2-5 run and was selected as one of 14 outstanding college and university performances in the Northwest. The nine-member student cast, directed by associate professor Thomas Ward, performed again at Western January 26-27 before being judged for national honors February 1 at Portland's Lewis and Clark College.

Adjudication of the plays coincided with the Northwest Drama Conference held in Portland January 31 through February 3.

Ward said Western is one of 60 schools from ACTF's 13 regions competing for 10 invitations to perform next spring at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Last year, more than 430 colleges and universities from around the nation submitted plays for adjudication.

Written by Michael Cristofer, The Shadow Box won the 1977 Pulitzer Prize and was named for a Tony Award for best drama for the 1976-77 season. The play concerns three patients at a California hospital for the terminally ill and how their friends and families learned to cope with and accept their cancer.

During the ACTF adjudication at Western the play was praised for its ensemble, pacing and individual performances.

Ward said the cast was assisted during rehearsals by local cancer patients and medical professionals, along with spokespersons from the American Cancer Society and the hospice movement.

"Their discussions with us helped us understand that the value of living is more important than the threat of dying," he said.

WWU production wins play honors

The Shadow Box, a sensitive play about illness and dying produced here last fall by Western's Theatre Department, has been cited for regional honors by the American College Theatre Festival (ACTF).

Western's production played to more than 1,600 persons during its November 2-5 run and was selected as one of 14 outstanding college and university performances in the Northwest. The nine-member student cast, directed by associate professor Thomas Ward, performed again at Western January 26-27 before being judged for national honors February 1 at Portland's Lewis and Clark College.

Adjudication of the plays coincided with the Northwest Drama Conference held in Portland January 31 through February 3.

Ward said Western is one of 60 schools from ACTF's 13 regions competing for 10 invitations to perform next spring at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Last year, more than 430 colleges and universities from around the nation submitted plays for adjudication.

Written by Michael Cristofer, The Shadow Box won the 1977 Pulitzer Prize and was named for a Tony Award for best drama for the 1976-77 season. The play concerns three patients at a California hospital for the terminally ill and how their friends and families learned to cope with and accept their cancer.

During the ACTF adjudication at Western the play was praised for its ensemble, pacing and individual performances.

Ward said the cast was assisted during rehearsals by local cancer patients and medical professionals, along with spokespersons from the American Cancer Society and the hospice movement.

"Their discussions with us helped us understand that the value of living is more important than the threat of dying," he said.

WWU production wins play honors

The Shadow Box, a sensitive play about illness and dying produced here last fall by Western's Theatre Department, has been cited for regional honors by the American College Theatre Festival (ACTF).

Western's production played to more than 1,600 persons during its November 2-5 run and was selected as one of 14 outstanding college and university performances in the Northwest. The nine-member student cast, directed by associate professor Thomas Ward, performed again at Western January 26-27 before being judged for national honors February 1 at Portland's Lewis and Clark College.

Adjudication of the plays coincided with the Northwest Drama Conference held in Portland January 31 through February 3.

Ward said Western is one of 60 schools from ACTF's 13 regions competing for 10 invitations to perform next spring at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Last year, more than 430 colleges and universities from around the nation submitted plays for adjudication.

Written by Michael Cristofer, The Shadow Box won the 1977 Pulitzer Prize and was named for a Tony Award for best drama for the 1976-77 season. The play concerns three patients at a California hospital for the terminally ill and how their friends and families learned to cope with and accept their cancer.

During the ACTF adjudication at Western the play was praised for its ensemble, pacing and individual performances.

Ward said the cast was assisted during rehearsals by local cancer patients and medical professionals, along with spokespersons from the American Cancer Society and the hospice movement.

"Their discussions with us helped us understand that the value of living is more important than the threat of dying," he said.

WWU production wins play honors

The Shadow Box, a sensitive play about illness and dying produced here last fall by Western's Theatre Department, has been cited for regional honors by the American College Theatre Festival (ACTF).

Western's production played to more than 1,600 persons during its November 2-5 run and was selected as one of 14 outstanding college and university performances in the Northwest. The nine-member student cast, directed by associate professor Thomas Ward, performed again at Western January 26-27 before being judged for national honors February 1 at Portland's Lewis and Clark College.

Adjudication of the plays coincided with the Northwest Drama Conference held in Portland January 31 through February 3.

Ward said Western is one of 60 schools from ACTF's 13 regions competing for 10 invitations to perform next spring at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Last year, more than 430 colleges and universities from around the nation submitted plays for adjudication.

Written by Michael Cristofer, The Shadow Box won the 1977 Pulitzer Prize and was named for a Tony Award for best drama for the 1976-77 season. The play concerns three patients at a California hospital for the terminally ill and how their friends and families learned to cope with and accept their cancer.

During the ACTF adjudication at Western the play was praised for its ensemble, pacing and individual performances.

Ward said the cast was assisted during rehearsals by local cancer patients and medical professionals, along with spokespersons from the American Cancer Society and the hospice movement.

"Their discussions with us helped us understand that the value of living is more important than the threat of dying," he said.
'Hot' career fields noted at Western

Jobs in teaching, business, computer science and engineering related areas seemed to be the hot career fields for Western graduates this past year.

Western's recently released Career Planning and Placement Center annual report shows 93 percent of the graduates registered with the center finding jobs during the year ending November 1, 1978. Of those graduates registered, 72 percent obtained teaching positions and another 21 percent reported placement in other employment fields or graduate school.

Western graduates entering the fields of business, industry and government kept pace with their counterparts across the country. Nationally, statistics reveal, the 1977-78 collegiate recruitment year was one of the most productive in recent history.

Louis T. Lallas, director of the University's Career Planning and Placement Center, said Western graduates in the business, industry and government fields reported an 87 percent placement rate. Similarly, 84 percent of the master's graduates registered with the center reported finding jobs.

"This is especially significant," Lallas said, "considering our overall requests for placement services were up by 15 percent over the preceding year."

Of the 288 education graduates finding teaching positions, most (65) were placed in the elementary education area followed by special education (51), physical education (31), music (19), home economics and industrial arts (18 each) and English (12); the rest spread out in other disciplines.

Lallas wrote that geographic mobility plays an important role in landing a teaching job. Teachers with physical education activity and coaching ability are being actively sought out by school districts, he said.

There still is an apparent need for reading and communication disorder specialists and special education instructors are still enjoying a good placement record, Lallas added.

Paralleling the national trend, graduates of Western's business, accounting and computer science programs enjoyed highly successful placement rates, according to the report. While Western does not offer an engineering degree, graduates of the closely related Technology Department programs reported a 90 percent success rate in finding jobs.

The Boeing Co. was easily the single biggest employer of Western grads, hiring 30 during the year. Pacific Northwest Bell was next with 16 followed by a number of accounting firms.

Most graduates hired found jobs in Washington State, an indication of the state's strong economic growth in all employer groups, Lallas said.

The Career Planning and Placement Center had a busy year overall. More than 2,200 students and alumni registered for placement services to either land a first job or to actively seek a new position.

Placement activities consisted of 846 student interviews and visits by 69 business, industry and government representatives. The annual Federal Career Information Day involved another 27 agencies and 600 additional students.

Twenty school districts interviewed on Western's campus and more than 10,000 requests were registered by the center's credentials service during the year.

WHERE THEY COME FROM

FALL 1977 ENROLLMENT: 9,359
FALL 1978 ENROLLMENT: 9,800

1977 - Out of state (from 46 other states): 635 (6.78 percent). Other countries: 383 (4 percent), of whom 94 percent are from British Columbia.

1978 - Out of state (from 48 other states): 626 (6.39 percent). Other countries: 513 (5.24 percent), of whom 80.1 percent are from British Columbia.

This map of Washington shows the geographic distribution of Western students by their county of origin. The larger numbers reflect data for the 9,800 students enrolled for fall, 1978. Bracketed numbers are figures compiled for fall, 1977.

The profile also showed that 342 entering freshmen were in the top tenth percentile of their graduating class, compared with 270 last year. The number of entering freshmen with grade point averages of 3.90 and higher totaled 64 this fall, compared to 31 last fall. The average entering transfer student's GPA was 2.92, equal to last year's.
ROLL CALL

'31 DOROTHY FOX LARSEN retired from teaching in June 1978. She taught four years in Port Angeles and the remainder in Wapato.

'49 KATHLEEN SMITH has retired after 30 years of teaching in Washington State public schools. Her first three years were in Shelton, and her last 27 were in Seattle. She continues to live in Seattle.

'64 JO ANN ROGERS HILLIER received her master's degree in elementary education from the University of Alaska.

'65 LARRY BJORN is a major in the USAF. He is serving at Eglin AFB, Florida, as an air operations staff officer.

'67 GARY W. ERICKSON is taking an extended tour of New Zealand, Australia, and several South Pacific islands.

'68 JOAN V. ENGLE received a master's degree in secondary education from the University of Alaska.

'70 DENNIS BAUER graduated from the University of San Diego Law School in May 1978... KATHRYN ELLESTAD is a substitute teacher with the Lake Washington schools. KRISTINE CRAIG teaches second grade in Southworth Elementary in Yelm... MIKE KNUTKOWSKI is teaching photography and graphic arts at Cleveland High School in Seattle... MICHAEL OLASON is a certified public accountant and is the pricing manager for Boeing Computer Services... MURRAY DOW is rooms division manager of the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Chicago.

'71 JOSEPH ABBOT has opened a law office in the Professional Building in Lynden.

'72 Navy Lieutenant EUGENE L. THOMAS is with the Attack Squadron 122 at Naval Air Station, Lemoore, California.

'73 RODGER ERNEST PETERSEN received his master's in business administration from Eastern Washington University in August. He is presently employed by the Veterans Administration as a VA loan officer in Everett... BRIAN D. LEWIS was promoted to full lieutenant in September 1978 and is currently working at the Naval Submarine Support Facility, New London Submarine Base, Groton, Connecticut. JAMES EDWARD BROWN received his master's degree in elementary education from the University of Alaska... CATHY DUDIK has accepted the position of Interim Financial Aid Officer at Olympia Technical Community College... USAF Captain DALE VAN KIRK, an F-4 Phantom II pilot with a unit of the Tactical Air Command, is stationed at Hill Air Force Base, Utah... GARY G. RUDE is the principal of Weyerhaeuser elementary in Eatonville... CHARLES MELROSE and Dawn Bartline were married and are living in Rittitans. He works for Northwestern Mutual Life and UPS.

'74 ANDREA ROBERTS CRISLER received a teaching position with the Mukilteo School District... THERESA COBLE JARVI has obtained a teaching position at Ketchikan High School through the Indian Education Association. She teaches research writing... DEBRA LUPPINO and Hugh W. Smith, Jr., were married recently in Tacoma and are living in Long Beach, California. She is employed as personnel manager for Western Dyeing and Finishing Corporation in Compton, California... LINDA McLEOD has joined the company of Opera Fort... Based in London, the group is touring in England and Wales with three operas... Captain and Mrs. WESLEY S. MARTIN (RONDA ANN BEAMAN, '75) are living in Grand Terrace, California. He is a pilot in the USAF. She formerly taught creative studies at Arrowhead Springs, California.

'75 HEIDI HENKEN is the lifestyle editor for the Lynden Tribune. She has been named secretary/treasurer for the Fourth Corner Chapter of Washington Presswomen... DON PARSONS has been ordained into the Christian ministry in West Henrietta Baptist Church in New York... DANIEL L. ROBERTSON has reported for duty at the Naval Regional Medical Center in San Diego... PATRICIA MURRAY and Howard Armstrong were married recently and are living in Sedro Woolley where they both are teachers.

'76 DORLENE BLEHA recently completed her master's in public administration at Seattle University and has accepted one of President Carter's National Public Administrators Intern Programs intern positions with the General Accounting Office. She was one of the top 250 finalists of over 1,000 interviewed on a nationwide basis... KAYE HALL GREGG, a 100-yard backstroke champion in 1967 and 1968, a winner of two gold medals and a bronze medal at the 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico City (where she established a new American, Olympic, and world record in the 100-meter backstroke), will be inducted into the International Swimming Hall of Fame in April... HARRIS HARTEL is living in Edmonds and working for South Snohomish District Court as director of the probation department... Julie Young and WILLIAM ODOM were married in September in Bellingham. They are living in Cedar Hill, Texas... MICHAEL L. McCRAVEN has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air National Guard upon graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Texas.

'77 MELINDA STOCKTON is teaching intermediate special education in Sedro Woolley. RICH BASCH has been appointed food manager at Fred Meyer's new Mill Plain Center... CHARLES R. CAMPBELL has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the USAF upon graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Texas.

'78 Navy Ensign JOHN E. HENDRICKSON has been commissioned in his present rank upon graduation from Officer Candidate School... SHIRLEY KAY HUBBARD and Alvina Dye were married in October in Enumclaw and are living in Bellingham... Navy Ensign GORDON T. MEDFORD has been commissioned in his present rank upon graduation from Officer Candidate School.

IN MEMORIAM

'17 HILDA ROSENE LUND, December 21, 1978, in Texas.


KAREN MANDIC and DIANE WILDER, Jan. 11, 1979, in Bellingham.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON 98225

If you do not wish to continue receiving Resume, please tear off your address label and send it to us so we can remove your name from the mailing list.