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Four Professors Retire From Illinois Wesleyan University

BLOOMINGTON, Ill.--Three professors representing the nursing, English and business administration departments and one librarian have retired from Illinois Wesleyan University.

They are Jane Brue, associate professor of nursing and an IWU faculty member since 1979; Cyril C. Ling, Edward R. Telling Distinguished Professor of Business Administration and a faculty member since 1990; James McGowan, professor of English and director of IWU's May Term and a faculty member since 1969 and John Westall, associate professor and public services librarian who has been on the staff at IWU since 1962.

All four retirees have been awarded emeritus status at IWU.

Jane Brue

Brue's academic focus has been the study of transcultural nursing. She has traveled with her students to Arizona and Hawaii to investigate the specific health risks and traditional practices of those states. She is also interested in therapeutic touch and gerontology.

A native of Pontiac, Ill., Brue received her bachelor's degree in nursing from the University of Illinois in 1957, a master's degree in education from the University of Illinois in 1974 and a master's degree in nursing from Indiana University in 1984.

Before coming to IWU, Brue served as inservice educator at St. James Hospital in Fairbury, Ill.

In 1988, Brue co-authored "A Nurse's Guide to Caring for Elders," published by Carroll and Springer Publishing Co. of New York. The volume is available in six languages.

Brue is a member of the Diabetic Association, American Nurses Association, Transcultural Nursing Society and Nurse Healers Association. Brue resides in Bloomington with her husband John and the couple have four grown children.

Cyril C. Ling

Cyril C. Ling, IWU's first Edward R. Telling Distinguished Professor of Business Administration, has devoted over 40 years to management education, the last 10 at Illinois Wesleyan University. Ling's teaching focus has been on strategic management and international business with a special emphasis on the transitioning economics of Central and Eastern Europe.

Ling has authored two books on management--"The Management of Personnel Relations: History and Origins," "Cases and Experiential Exercises in Human Resource Management," and several case studies on business problems. Throughout most of the 1990s, Ling conducted research in Hungary, Poland, the Czech Republic and other European nations on the

development of the automobile industry in Central and Eastern Europe. Several case studies resulted from the research, partially supported by an IWU grant.

Ling, a native of Detroit, received degrees in management, social sciences, engineering and economics from Wayne State University (B.S., 1957; M.B.A., 1958) and Indiana University (D.B.A., 1962). Ling also has served on the faculty at Indiana University, the University of Cincinnati, the University of Richmond and the University of Wisconsin. He served in senior management positions in non-profit organizations for 15 years.

In retirement, Ling who resides in Bloomington with his wife Marcia, plans to teach one course at IWU in business strategy and devote more time to boating with the United States Power Squadron and the Winthrop Harbor Yacht Club. He also plans to continue his participation as a national concourse judge with the Porsche Club of America and to pursue his interest in shooting sports with the Bloomington Gun Club.

James McGowan

Professor of English James McGowan has served as director of IWU's May Term Program for the past four years.

During his teaching career at IWU, McGowan received numerous awards for his poetry, including the Illinois Arts Council Literary Award in 1980. McGowan also participated in the Illinois Author's Book Fair held at Illinois State University's Milner Library in November 1995, and acted in Heartland Theatre's production of Tennessee Williams' "Cat On A Hot Tin Roof."

A native of Neptune, N.J., McGowan received his bachelor's degree in 1959 at Middlebury College and a master's degree in 1965 and a Ph.D. in English at Rutgers University in 1968. McGowan's interests include the historical consideration of American poetry and the poetry of Charles Baudelaire. In 1975, McGowan published 66 translations of the original French version of Baudelaire's poems "Les Fleurs du Mal" (The Flowers of Evil). McGowan's other publications include a poetry book entitled "Each Other--"Where We Are," and "Benchmark: Anthology of Illinois Poetry," which he co-edited with Lynn Devore, IWU associate professor and chair of the English department.

McGowan is a member of Illinois Writer's Inc. and various local literary and historical societies. He resides in Bloomington with his wife Anne. The couple have three grown children.

In retirement, McGowan plans to travel to Ireland and write poetry.

John Westall

During most of his three decades at IWU, John Westall served as technical services librarian where he oversaw Sheean Library's transition from traditional card catalogs to on-line information systems.

Westall also participated in several informational conferences hosted by the Illinois Library Association and the Illinois Association of College and Research Libraries on such diverse topics as Interlibrary Loan Information Exchange and CD-ROM Teleconferencing.

A native of Lawrenceville, Ill., Westall received his bachelor's degree in English from the University of Illinois in 1956 and his master's degree in library science from the University of Wisconsin in 1960. In 1996, Westall was named associate professor/public services librarian.

Westall resides in Normal with his wife Carol and plans to volunteer with various local organizations.

The retirees were recognized at IWU's Honors Convocation held April 19 in Westbrook Auditorium of Presser Hall.

About Illinois Wesleyan University

IWU, founded in 1850, enrolls about 2,070 students in a College of Liberal Arts, and individual schools of Music, Theatre Arts, Art and Nursing. Since 1994, these facilities have been added to the IWU campus: a \$15 million athletics and recreation center, a \$25 million science center, a \$6.8 million residence hall, a \$5.1 million Center for Liberal Arts and a \$1.65 million baseball stadium. Construction is underway on a \$26 million library and \$6 million student center. Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine ranks Illinois Wesleyan University 12th among the nation's 1,600 private colleges in providing a top-quality education at an affordable cost. Also sharing IWU's rank are Princeton and Dartmouth.