

**SAGINAW VALLEY COLLEGE
NINTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT**

Saturday, April 20, 1974

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

The Marshal
Candidates for the Baccalaureate Degree
Faculty
Board of Control
Deans
Candidates for Honorary Degrees
President and Speaker

The audience is requested to stand during the processional and recessional.

Order of Events

MARSHAL

Thomas Gillespie, Ph.D., D.Sc.

PROCESSIONAL

"Coronation March" from "The Prophet" by G. Meyerbeer
Members of the Germania Symphony
Conducted by Dr. Kurt Tintner

PRESIDING

William H. Capitan, Ph.D.

INVOCATION

Rev. James M. Fitzpatrick
Coordinator of Campus Ministry Center
"Overture to Egmont" by Beethoven

ADDRESS

Dr. Paul W. McCracken
"Strategy For Assuring The Future"

LANDEE AWARD

William H. Byas, Ed.D.

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Colleges of Liberal Arts and Fine Arts
Dean Curtis L. McCray, Ph.D.

College of Education
Dean Harold W. Peterson, Ph.D.

Colleges of Business Administration, Professions and Health Sciences
Dean Walter T. James, Ph.D.

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES

Candidate Presented by W. Leslie Whittaker, Ph.D.
Doctor of Laws

Ruben Daniels

Candidate Presented by William S. Hoffmann, Ph.D.
Doctor of Laws

William A. Groening, Jr.

BENEDICTION

Rev. James M. Fitzpatrick

RECESSIONAL

Grand March from "Aida" by Verdi

*Following the program there will be
a reception sponsored by the SVC Student
Senate in Doan Center*

HONORED STUDENTS

Each year Saginaw Valley College departments honor outstanding students. Awards this year go to these graduates:

JANET M. BOTZ, *Sociology Department*

GEORGE R. BOUSFIELD, *Biology Department*

THOMAS R. CHISHOLM, *College of Business Wall Street Journal Award*

MICHAEL D. GEBLER, *Chemistry Department*

STUART W. HYVONEN, *Political Science Department*

KERMIT KRANZ, *Computer Math Department*

JOYCE NEUBECKER, *Mathematics Department*

LYNN L. REIGLE, *Accounting Department*



THE INSIGNIA OF SAGINAW VALLEY COLLEGE

The seal is shaped as a triangle which represents the geographical area formed by Bay City, Midland, and Saginaw, popularly known as "The Golden Triangle." Here, three separate urban communities are merging into a metropolitan community with a population of more than 400,000. The college has been placed midway between the three cities to serve the need for a baccalaureate institution.

Within the seal are symbols of Egyptian origin. The figure at the top stands for truth, and is associated with the teachings of Ikhnoton, who has been called "the first individual in history" and "the first monotheist." His search for truth led him to enunciate elements of the scientific method and a belief in the brotherhood of man.

The symbol at the lower left represents light — perhaps the inner light. It recognizes that "our knowledge is a torch of smokey pine that lights the pathway but one step ahead." We may wish, in the words of Santayana, to:

*"Bid, then, the tender light of faith to shine
By which alone the mortal heart is led
Unto the thinking of the thought divine."*

The symbol in the lower right is a staff which stands for strength. This may be regarded as an appeal for the endurance necessary to search and find the truth, and the strength to speak and live it.

The college has but a single color — cardinal — chosen, not because of its ornithological or its ecclesiastical significance, but simply because it is a beautiful color.