



# COMMENCEMENT

Friday, December 13, 1996 7:30 p.m. James E. O'Neill Jr. Arena Ryder Center Saginaw Valley State University

## ACADEMIC PROCESSION

The Marshal The Deputy Marshal Faculty and Administration Candidates for Master's Degrees Candidates for Baccalaureate Degrees Deans Vice Presidents Board of Control Members President

The audience is requested to stand during the Processional, the singing of the National Anthem and the Recessional.

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A professional photographer will take portraits of the graduates during Commencement. Proofs will be supplied and photo orders may be made if desired.

Personal pictures may be taken from your seat. In order to preserve the view of each member of the audience, we ask that no photographs be taken from any area of the floor during the Processional or during the Commencement ceremony. Your cooperation is sincerely appreciated.

# **ORDER OF EVENTS**

#### Friday, December 13, 1996

**PROGRAM** (Selections from the following)

Overture to the Royal Fireworks	George Frideric Handel
Antiphony	Heinrich Schutz
Six Pieces	William Walton
Antiphony No. 1	Giovanni Gabrieli
Gopak	
Sarabande and Minuet	J.S. Bach

NATIONAL ANTHEM	
PRESIDING	Eric R. Gilbertson, J.D. President

#### **CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE**

The graduates' names will be read by Mr. J. Chris Looney, M.A., Registrar

# PRESENTATION OF MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE/POLITICAL SCIENCE CANDIDATES

Presented by .....Judith B. Kerman, Ph.D. Dean, College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences

# PRESENTATION OF MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION DEGREE CANDIDATES

## PRESENTATION OF MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING AND MASTER OF EDUCATION DEGREE CANDIDATES

Presented by	Ellen Curtis-Pierce, Ph.D.
-	Dean, College of Education

## PRESENTATION OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE CANDIDATES

Presented by	Crystal M. Lange, Ph.D.
	Dean, College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences

#### CONFERRING OF MASTER'S DEGREES .....Eric R. Gilbertson

#### PRESENTATION OF BACCALAUREATE DEGREE CANDIDATES

College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences
Presented byJudith B. Kerman
College of Business and Management
Presented by
College of Education
Presented byEllen Curtis-Pierce
College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences
Presented byCrystal M. Lange
College of Science, Engineering and Technology
Presented by Thomas E. Kullgren, Ph.D.
Dean, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

CONFERRING OF BACCALAUREATE DEGREES ....Eric R. Gilbertson

#### INDUCTION INTO SVSU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Charles M. Graham, P.E., B.SEx	secutive Director of Development
	and SVSU Foundation
Kevin J. Schultz, B.A.	sident, SVSU Alumni Association
L. Alex BernardPres	sident, SVSU Student Association

CONCLUDING REMARKS ......Eric R. Gilbertson

#### RECESSIONAL

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The audience is requested to remain seated until the program has been completed.

#### RECEPTION

Immediately following the Commencement ceremony, the graduates, their families and friends, faculty and staff are invited to a reception to be held in the east end of James E. O'Neill Jr. Arena.

Ushering services were provided by the SVSU Alumni Association.

# HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT



#### JON A. CISKY DOCTOR OF LAWS

Senator Jon A. Cisky was elected to the Michigan State Senate in November 1990. He represents the 33rd District, which encompasses Saginaw and Gratiot counties. As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Cisky is chairman of the Corrections, the State Police and Military Affairs Subcommittees and vice-chairman of the Higher Education Subcommittee. He also serves as a member of the Judiciary Committee and the Legislative Council.

Currently Cisky is heading the implementation of a new legislator training orientation program. He also has established an annual grant seminar to assist local governments and organizations in learning about state and local funding possibilities.

A former police officer who attained the rank of sergeant, Cisky has continued to fight crime since his election to the Senate. He has introduced and supported several key bills to crack down on the incidence of crime in Michigan. He also has worked to make 21 major tax cuts, reform product liability, reform welfare and rewrite the Mental Health Code.

Among the awards Cisky has earned are "Legislator of the Year" by the Michigan Judges Association and "Guardian of Small Business" by the National Federation of Independent Businesses. He was named "Legislator of the Year" by the Deputy Sheriff's Association in 1994, the Police Officers Association of Michigan in 1993 and the Michigan Sheriff's Association in 1991.

In his position as vice-chairman of the Senate Higher Education Subcommittee, Cisky has worked to increase SVSU's fiscal year 1997 state appropriations funding by 15.6 percent. In 1993, he obtained an additional \$320,000 supplemental appropriation for deferred maintenance and in 1995 his efforts helped earmark more than \$505,000 in lapse funds for the University. He played an instrumental role in providing state funding for SVSU's \$33.5 million West Complex and for a \$3.5 million upgrade in the campus heating and cooling system. Through his efforts a \$25 million classroom building has been budgeted to complete the core campus.

Prior to his election, Cisky was a professor and chairman of the Department of Criminal Justice at SVSU, where he taught courses in criminal and constitutional law, criminology and corrections. Cisky also founded "Crime Stoppers."

# CANDIDATES FOR MASTER'S DEGREES

### COLLEGE OF ARTS AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Judith B. Kerman, Dean

M.A. — Master of Arts (Criminal Justice/Political Science)

Mark Bennett Berkman

Carline Marie Collier

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

Severin C. Carlson, Dean

#### M.B.A. - Master of Business Administration

Thomas Armon Beaudin Ismene Spiros Bouyoucos-Russell Ann Marie Brissette Hsuen-ling Chen Chen Wen-Ling James T. Crickon Todd Matthew Hausbeck John L. Klomp Michael Scott McCauley Henry Chung-Ho Peng Patricia Light Rogoszewski Ronnie Irwin Scheall Joseph J. Sova Wang, Su-Hua

### **COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

Ellen Curtis-Pierce, Dean

#### M.A.T. — Master of Arts in Teaching

Kathryn Ann Applegath Sharon Lee Baldwin Brandel Marie Binson Janice Sue Bower Cecelia Anita Caldwell Celeste Mary Chapman Elaine M. Cobb Celeste E. Conflitti Cathleen Joy Cryer Kathryn Mildred Curtis Joan Elizabeth Dann Joseph Victor DeHenau Jeanne Marie DiCicco Maureen Katherine Dickendesher Pamela Ann Grifka Kim S. Horner Caroline Elaine Huffman Theresa Marie Almas-Hurley Barbara Jeanne Idalski Kimberly Ann McGuire Linda Lou Mellen Nancy Rose Miller

#### College of Education M.A.T. — Master of Arts in Teaching (continued)

Roselyn Adele Nekervis Susan C. Nelson Janice Ann Palmer Patrick James Palmer Kathleen E. Plaskey Andrea J. Rethman Michele Rae Ryan

#### M.Ed. - Master of Education

Wendy Jean Seley Bely Madalena Margherita Borza Shervl L. Bowie Janet L. Clyde Cathleen Joan Conachen Jeannine M. Coughlin John Frank Di Donato Brian J. DuFresne Scott Alan Ely Wendy Sue Greenwood Alan Paul Hover Timothy M. Inman Marilyn Joyce Julin Robbie Jean Kafcas Hassan F. Kamara Barry Edward Kenniston Kristen Maurine Kreucher-Hecht Kellie J. Shelton James L. Stevens Jane Marie Vondette Kimberly Ann White Tracy Lynn Wilford Susan Lynn Will Catharine Rae Wisniewski Cindy Ann Yanik

Melisa Marie MacGillivary Shannan Marie McCarron Lynda L. Myers Susan Lynn Packla Beverly Ann Pacynski Patricia J. Perry Kristine Kay Popp Mary M. Post Peggy Ann Randall Beth Ann Rupprecht Richard Walter Seebeck II Shirley Sharobeem Christel A. Shields Amy Catherine Stack Daniel M. Strasz Richard James Uhlmann Robert James Westerhof

### COLLEGE OF NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

Crystal M. Lange, Dean

M.S.N. — Master of Science in Nursing Mary Gay Showalter Sherry Kay Taunt Mary Lee Whyte

# CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

#### HONORS GRADUATES

The three honors categories for undergraduate students are:

Summa Cum Laude	3.80 to 4.00 G.P.A.
Magna Cum Laude	3.60 to 3.79 G.P.A.
Cum Laude	3.40 to 3.59 G.P.A.

In order to graduate with academic honors, a student must have completed 62 credit hours at SVSU.

### COLLEGE OF ARTS AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Judith B. Kerman, Dean

#### B.A. — Bachelor of Arts

Ross William Amend summa cum laude Todd R. Atkins Ronnie Kareem Bacon Jamie K. Badgerow Jerod E. Bell magna cum laude Kenneth Twyman Bluew cum laude Barbara Ann Brady summa cum laude Natalie Marie Buck cum laude M. Lucille Burdick summa cum laude Cara Marie Burlingame Michael David Charter Geralyn D. Clark Scott Meyer Clark Christine Sarah Cohrs Rochelle May Collins Linda Faye Craighead Sheila M. Damer magna cum laude Michael John Doyle

Candace Alexia Economou Stacy Kay Emerson magna cum laude Jacqueline Erickson magna cum laude Gary Thomas Fitzmaurice Brian Keith Freehling Lanie Nerio Garcia Matthew John Gillis Aaron Eugene Grace Tamie LeeAnn Grunow summa cum laude Kathryn P. Hemann cum laude Heather Shawn Henderson Teresa Barbara Hennigan cum laude Heather Mary Jacques summa cum laude Krista Joy Jahr Michelle Lea Johnson April Ann Kanipe Brad Todd Keskev cum laude Jason Joseph Kiss

#### College of Arts and Behavior Sciences B.A. — Bachelor of Arts (continued)

Cathy Jo Kittle Thomas Mitchell Kraynak Andrea L. Kuhn Kari Lynn Kurtansky cum laude Thomas Michael LeBrun Kimberly June Matz Walter Fidel McCall Jason Kirk McCool Denise Marie Holdwick-McGee Jenny Kay McLachlan Jane DeAnn Melso Heidi Jo Mielke magna cum laude Brittney Marie Miller Marsha Lynette Morris Carolyn Ellen Nagel cum laude Kelly Marie Neighbors Charlene Anne Oesterling Renee Lynn Ouillette Penny M. Phelps Jeffrey Mason Pinwar Laurie J. Pionk magna cum laude Shelli Anne Poineau

#### **B.F.A.** — Bachelor of Fine Arts

Michael Joseph Kish cum laude Robert Kevin Rokita magna cum laude James Andrew Simon cum laude

#### B.S.W. — Bachelor of Social Work

Carla Jo Braun magna cum laude Cherie Jean Call magna cum laude Jamie L. Edgerly magna cum laude Pamela Sue Powers Jamie Renae Putnam Lawrence Michael Ouinn Patrick Scott Rates Donald Franklin Rescoe Rvan T. Robb Susan Mary Ropp Shane Erin Rucker summa cum laude Kimberly Rae Rudolph cum laude Thomas W. Schopp Denise Lynn Seeley Sherlyn Michelle Shaffer cum laude Luz Papica Siasoyco-Myer Todd William Svenkesen Robert M. Swartz Laura Kimberly Taggett magna cum laude Willis J. Thomas Annikki Linda Weston cum laude Torra Marshon Whitehead Tanya Sue Willey Jason David Yatch

### COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

Severin C. Carlson, Dean

#### B.A. — Bachelor of Arts Matthew Lynwood Lamb

cum laude

Randal Earl Nicholas

#### B.B.A. - Bachelor of Business Administration

Jodi Lynn Adelberg Jana Lynne Baker Kenneth L. Baker cum laude Susan Jill Bartz summa cum laude Debra Ann Bennett summa cum laude Jaime Jo Bennett Matthew Mark Borowski Jeffery David Drew Cathy Jean Hacker Annette Marie Henning Jamie Allen Hoagg Marc Allen Kimmerly magna cum laude Joel Joseph Kiss cum laude Judi Lynn Klawinski Amy Lynn Koester cum laude Jennifer D. Kolevar Keith John Krueger Brenda Lee Krystosek cum laude Pete A. Lacey summa cum laude

Stephanie Lynn Leiterman Jennifer S. Leslie Patricia A Lucke Gregory James Mason magna cum laude Jodi Lee Maurer Vera Leshon McCulloh Christine Marie Olsen Terry Ann Paris summa cum laude **Bradley Richard Pringle** LaVonne Michelle Pritchard Robert James Reeves Daryl Craig Reynolds Terra Raquel Robinson Andrew Jay Rose Erick William Schmitt Cherri Lee Schrems Molly Melissa Smith Meredith Kay Toyzan cum laude Tangila Michelle Trice Renee Yvonne Van Paris Heather Lynn Walther magna cum laude Dawn Heather Warren Brian Lester Zarazua

#### **B.P.A.** — Bachelor of Professional Accountancy Ryan Cade Sorensen

### **COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

#### Ellen Curtis-Pierce, Dean

#### B.A. — Bachelor of Arts

Melinda Helene Baldwin summa cum laude Michelle Louise Baslock Judith Lynn Bishop Jane Michele Camilletti cum laude Brooke Marie Cass Michelle Lee Collins Sara J. Conn Jason Phillip Cotter Sara G. Elizalde Hermana Estrada Paul Robert Everson Karen Sue Friebe Dion Carol Galus cum laude Manuel Garcia, Jr. magna cum laude Shelley Rene Garza cum laude Craig Richard Gotham cum laude Julia Ann Hann Marilyn Sue Hect Felipa Castro Hernandez Kandie Lea Hood Scott Douglas Hummel cum laude Cheri Lynn Hutek magna cum laude Gregory Scott Irwin Tracie Suzanne Jenks magna cum laude Tammy J. Kann cum laude Kelly Sue Kiss cum laude Christina Ann Koski Deborah Ann LaBean Linda Ruth LaFlair magna cum laude Denice Kae Lange summa cum laude Eric Russell Larges Jenny R. Licht Sana Christine Lindsay Maykao K. Lytongpao Barbara Carol Manyen

Tammy Lynn Matthews Kristin Marie McLaurin cum laude Kathleen Jean McMann magna cum laude Becky Lyn Miller Brook Lynn Mishler magna cum laude Shayne Alan Mishler Heidi Marie Munsey summa cum laude Dana Lynn Nolan summa cum laude John E. Nowosatka Sandra Kay Post cum laude Barbara Jo Preston summa cum laude Andrea Michelle Ranck magna cum laude Amy Ruth Sage Amy Lynn Schultz Michael Joseph Sefton cum laude Jo Ann Sheeran summa cum laude Tara Lee Smith Andrew James Sorenson Anne Marie Sprygada Tracy Jean Stimac Shelly L. Sturm James Robert Tahash Tabitha Sue Van Pelt Amy Lynn Wachowiak Bryan Stanley Wayburn Patricia A. Wescott cum laude Julie Nicole Wigen Helen Barbara Wiggins magna cum laude Sean Thomas Williamson summa cum laude Shelly Ann Woodcock cum laude Melissa D. Wozniak Daniel Robert Yockey Melissa Ellen Zinnecker magna cum laude

#### **B.S.** — Bachelor of Science

Brenda Lynn Bening cum laude Lisa Kay Dinsmore Dana Sue Pendred summa cum laude Kevin Matthew Seeger cum laude

### COLLEGE OF NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

#### Crystal M. Lange, Dean

#### **B.S.** — Bachelor of Science

Mark William Thurston

Ching Wang magna cum laude

#### B.S.N. — Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Stacey Lynn Aldrich magna cum laude Susan Mary Baumann Christine Carol Clarke James Daniel Cote Margaret Jeane DeVos Wendy Ann Diem cum laude Jeffrey Max Foxx Karen L. Frost Caroline Elizabeth Jezierski Tracy Marie Kandal cum laude Julie A. Koch summa cum laude Kimberly Lax-Scott Thomas Lee Linabury cum laude Patricia Ann McLellan

Renee Lee Meier magna cum laude Tracy Ann Melville cum laude Amy Lou Morley summa cum laude Michele L. Nelson Carolyn Diane Odom Dan Seemann Jeanette Singer summa cum laude Susan Margaret Swiercz cum laude Mary Elizabeth Szilagyi magna cum laude Heather Rene Vrable cum laude Chad Allen Whiren Janice Maureen Whitmill summa cum laude Colleen Kay Wiechmann cum laude

### COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

Thomas E. Kullgren, Dean

#### B.S. — Bachelor of Science

Ronald James Anderson Donn Michael Barber Lyle Dale Behmlander cum laude Patrick J. Brown Michael Dennis Casey Hollie A. Denome Scott Allan Gilginas Thomas Scott Goretski magna cum laude Susan Jane Grohman Steven Troy Haske magna cum laude Annette Kay Herron Byron Roger Huber Hesham El-Sayed Hussein magna cum laude Mark Edward Johnson

Charles Edward Lickly Nick T. Long Janice Lynn Major Steven Wayne Overkamp cum laude Deborah Renee Peruski Tanesha Lavette Anderson Potts John Paul Robishaw Christopher John Romeo Timothy John Ruppel cum laude Timothy Lee Schneikart Dane Allen Spencer Cory Albert Sturgess Regina Renee Vogel Michelle Marie Vogtmann Marc A. Wettstein Charles Patrick Zemanek

#### **B.S.E.E.** — Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering

Joel Bruce Field
Brian Scott Foulds
summa cum laude
Richard W. Gazall
Timothy Edward Hildebrandt
summa cum laude

Lawrence George Leary II Patrick Jonathon McCormick summa cum laude John Andrew Neuhaus David Francis Radeka

#### B.S.M.E. — Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Mary E. Armitage Jeffrey Michael Bader Daniel A. Bebow Neil T. Beyersdorf Alexander D. Bothwell summa cum laude Sean Andrew Braden Robert James Harmer Mark Alan Harnden cum laude Eric James Larson Kenneth J. McQueen Muhammad Izzat Rammal Marvin Paul Schulz Kevin Peter Weber Brad Jason Werner Tony A. Wozniak summa cum laude

# COLOR DESIGNATION OF DEGREES

The colors of tassels being worn by the candidates for baccalaureate degrees indicate the field of study. The color designations are as follows:

College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences B.A
College of Business and Management B.AEconomicsCopper B.B.ADrab
College of Education B.A
College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences B.S.NApricot B.SMedical TechnologyGold B.SOccupational TherapyGold
College of Science, Engineering and Technology B.S
The colors of velvet borders of the hoods worn by candidates for mas- ter's degrees also indicate the field of study. The color designations are:
College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences M.AWhite
College of Business and Management M.B.A
College of Education M.A.T
College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences M.S.N

# **ACADEMIC ATTIRE**

Traditions for recognizing academic accomplishments with ceremony, color and distinctive dress have existed for several centuries, dating to European universities of the Middle Ages. The academic regalia worn by participants in today's commencement procession symbolizes the degrees held and the institutions where degrees were earned. The style of these caps, gowns and hoods evolved from costumes worn during early religious processions to distinguish church and university members from the laity.

Bachelor's and master's degree gowns traditionally are black, although some universities prescribe a school color for their graduates' gowns. The bachelor's gown has long pointed sleeves while the master's gown has a sealed oblong section at the wrist. Doctoral gowns are identified by bell-shaped sleeves with velvet crossbars.

The length of the academic hood, which drapes over the back of the gown, denotes the wearer's academic achievement. The hood's length, width, color of trim and the color or colors of the lining all are symbolic. Linings, exposed in the center of the hood, indicate the colors of the degree-granting institution. For Saginaw Valley State University the colors are cardinal red and royal blue. The trim satin for a master's degree, velvet for a doctorate reveals the wearer's major field of study. Width of the trim is two inches, three inches and five inches for the bachelor's, master's hood is bell-shaped. The hood's length is three feet for the bachelor, three and a half for the master and four for the doctor.

The customary head covering is either the mortarboard or a soft beret modeled after the cap of Cambridge University. The tassel on the cap may be black or a color indicating the degree.

The SVSU Board of Control and the President wear regalia especially designed for them in SVSU's colors. Members of the governing board of an institution are entitled to wear doctoral gowns regardless of their academic degree.

# **SVSU BOARD OF CONTROL**

Ruth A. Braun, Chair, Saginaw Robert H. Walpole, Vice-Chair, Cass City Donna J. Roberts, Secretary, Midland Elias J. Escobedo, Jr., Treasurer, West Bloomfield Burnett S. Kelly, Midland D. Brian Law, Bay City Thomas E. Rush, Midland Robert J. Vitito, Freeland Eric R. Gilbertson, President

# THE SVSU SEAL

The triangle within the SVSU seal symbolizes the geographical area formed by Bay City, Midland and Saginaw. It denotes the linking of

three separate communities and surrounding areas through an institution dedicated to higher education.

Three symbols within the seal are of Egyptian origin. The figure at the top represents life, denoting that education is an ongoing, life-long process and has a value that lasts forever.



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. Opposite the light of knowledge in the lower right corner is a staff, which stands for strength. This may be regarded as an appeal for the endurance necessary to search for and find the truth, as well as the strength to speak and live it.

The year of the University's founding, 1963, appears below the triangle.