Welcome back! The College has enrolled 1,946 students for the winter term, representing a total of 19,917 credit hours. Included in the total registration are 408 new students to SVC.

Dr. Marble has left on his four-month sabbatical. He'll be back in time for graduation. In his absence, Bill Capitan is the acting president with assistance from Russ Driver, Ann Dickey, and Stuart Gross.

Peggy Guimond has moved from Admissions to the Department of Community Affairs, and will step up our news releases to the area newspapers, radio, and television stations. She also will work more closely with our alumni, and develop a "home town" service to newspapers telling the activities of individual students who distinguish themselves.

Dow Corning Corporation has made a grant of $5,000 to the College for research in the separation of copper from waste material. George Eastland is the principal investigator in this project.

The College is doing everything it can to solidify political support in Washington for our Developing Institutions proposal that includes money for Applied Social Science, Project 70s, Co-Op Education, Career Counseling, and Technology. Congressmen Harvey and Cederberg and Senators Griffin and Hart have promised their support. It's a long shot, but maybe these four men can narrow our odds. We will know by March if we're successful.

Meanwhile, the College is trying to get Governor Milliken to include in his budget a line item of $50,000 for the Human Biology program. In this we do have the support of our local legislators, and several legislators on the fringe of the immediate Tri-County area. Once State recognition is achieved, the college is in position to get planning money from the Federal Government or private foundations.

This is our Tenth Anniversary year, dating to the issuance of the original private charter for Saginaw Valley College. A celebration is being planned for November. Sometimes we're too close to see our own achievements, but if you stop to look around, the mountains the College has climbed are impressive.