SVSC FASTEST-GROWING BUT STILL SECOND SMALLEST STATE COLLEGE

Although the student body at SVSC is 58.79% larger this fall than in fall 1973 and we have been Michigan's fastest-growing state college during the past five years, SVSC remains the state's second smallest public institution.

In fact, both Michigan State University and the University of Michigan have about 15 times as many students, while Wayne State is ten times as large and Eastern and Western Michigan Universities have about six times as many students.

Enrollment figures just released by the Michigan Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers indicate that the headcount at SVSC has grown steadily from 2,223 students in fall 1973 to 3,530 at present. Ranking behind SVSC in percentage of growth during the past five years have been Michigan Technological University with a 36.82% growth, Grand Valley State College with a 26.17% increase, and Lake Superior State College with a 19% expansion. Meanwhile, Ferris State College has grown 16.08% and enrollment at Oakland University is up 14.66%.

Ranking seventh in headcount expansion has been Central Michigan University at 8.77%, followed by Northern Michigan University with 7.75%, Michigan State University with 5.37%, the University of Michigan and its Ann Arbor, Dearborn and Flint branches with a 4.81% growth, and Western Michigan University with a 2.07% increase. Growth at Wayne State University was 1.74%, while only Eastern Michigan showed a decline in enrollment by dropping 3.74%.

A strengthened economy with increased jobs is considered the main reason why enrollment at public four-year colleges and universities fell .09% this fall compared with a year earlier. Only six of the 13 public institutions registered an increase in headcount this fall, led by Michigan Technological University with 6.6% and SVSC with 6.3%. Enrollment at Oakland grew by 5.7% this year, and Eastern Michigan University reversed its trend of declining enrollments by growing 5.1%. The only other public colleges increasing this year were Grand Valley with a 1.3% rise and Ferris with a growth of .3%.

Headcount at Central Michigan University was down .3% and fell .9% at both Michigan State and Wayne State Universities. The U of M showed a 1.1% decline, compared with 2.4% at Western Michigan, 4.5% at Northern Michigan and an 8.0% drop at Lake Superior State College, affected by the closing of Kinceloe Air Force Base.

For 1977-78, Lake Superior is the smallest state college with just 2,261 students, while SVSC is second smallest with 3,530. Next in size is Grand Valley with a 7,469 enrollment, followed by NMU with 8,844 and Ferris State with 9,965. After Oakland University with 11,051, headcounts jump dramatically to CMU's 17,973, EMU's 19,104 and WMU's 22,496 students.

With 47,383 students, Michigan State University remains the largest public institution, closely followed by the U of M and its three branches with a total of 45,235, and Wayne State University with 34,500.

Figures from the registrars' group show that enrollment at two-year public and community colleges dropped 5.51% this year.

UNIQUENESS OF CHRYSSALLIS RECOGNIZED NATIONWIDE

The Chrysallis Center at SVSC is one of nine career counseling centers nationwide...
selected for publication in a case history book currently being prepared by Technical Education Research Centers, Cambridge, Massachusetts. The unique role Chrysallis plays in helping mature adults change their careers and lifestyles led to the selection of the University Center-based program for the book. Other counseling centers chosen include those at UCLA, the University of Michigan, State University of New York at Stoneybrook, University of Arizona and the Greater Miami and Des Moines Community Career Centers.

One amazing thing shown by the study is that the small Chrysallis staff serves virtually the same number of people as a major state university center which has 14 full-time staff members. Since its modest beginning in 1968 at Midland, the Chrysallis Center has worked to encourage individuals facing change not to be afraid of it. The Center has served over 20,000 clients through classes, workshops, peer and individual counseling sessions and testing. Through the Center's programs, persons whose spouse has recently died or divorced them, or whose children have grown up and moved away, are setting new goals for their lives.

Often those aspirations involved a career change, as many people see that the occupation they chose at age 18 or 22 no longer fits their current needs for income, job satisfaction or a feeling of personal independence.

Chrysallis has offered clients a variety of courses and workshops, focusing on topics such as life-style and change, struggle for significance, media effects on role expectations, job opportunities for women, writer's workshop, women in management, entrepreneurship and the Michigan economy.

"We try to help those coming for assistance to look ahead ten years and envision where they want to be then," says Center Director Rose E. Collamer, who is also an assistant professor of English at SVSC. "We may talk about our view and even work with people on the outside to obtain financial or other special help when needed, but the choice and decision must be made by the person involved."

About 80% of those persons are mature women. About a third are between ages 21 and 31, while nearly half are ages 36 to 55 and most of the rest are older.

"Women are more likely to seek help in changing their life-style than men, as they traditionally do not find it threatening to their role to ask for assistance. The need for counseling and help simply isn't as great for men, who have other alternatives like veteran's programs to provide guidance," Collamer noted.

Peer counseling is one of the major thrusts of the Chrysallis effort. Clients, many of whom elect to pursue further education, mutually support each other by discussing classroom problems and personal or career issues. In addition to ongoing peer counseling sessions, Chrysallis provides a self-inventory and motivational testing program, along with individual counseling sessions as needed by clients. Its battery of five tests is offered to anyone for $15.00, the approximate break-even cost. Collamer notes by comparison that an area private group charges $70.00 for just one of the five tests.

She is finding an increasing number of adults returning to school, either to enroll in college for the first time or to work toward a different degree than they pursued at a younger age. "Sometimes a husband or even parents feel threatened by a woman coming back to college even though she's married and has children. We try to bridge the gap and help the persons involved find their way to a new beginning. Because she will have to do the work or obtain the extra training needed to bring the change about, she must decide what action should be taken and how she'll get there," according to Collamer.

Through a C.E.T.A. grant, Chrysallis provides supportive services like goal-setting,
counseling, decision-making and interfacing with industries to encourage women to consider non-traditional occupations. The Center is credited with breaking many of the barriers to job training which had confronted some area women in the past. "A lot of data processing people and even repair persons or pole climbers are women who didn't want to be babysitters or secretaries and came here to see what else might be available," according to Collamer.

With a limited staff, much of the Chrysalis success story lies in its volunteer workers and their tremendous dedication to helping the people who come to the Center. Volunteers like Carol Franke of Bay City are employed elsewhere during the day, so she tutors students as early as 7:00 A.M. and comes back in the late afternoon and evening to help with testing or counseling. She took a humanities class in changing life-styles through the Center in 1973 and has been involved in Chrysalis activities ever since. She is one of 15 volunteers serving on a working community committee, which represents each of the tri-cities and generates ideas for programs and workshops by communicating area needs to Collamer and her staff.

Unlike many committees, this one pitches in and helps with the projects it recommends. Six of the present members are SVSC alumni, who have been personally affected by Chrysalis during their college years. There is one student member, along with two clinical psychologists, who assist with the counseling and testing programs. All 15 members are community leaders who are active in cultural and civic events as well as the Center's projects.

"It's really exciting -- and heartwarming -- to watch people who've come here grow as they find new paths for themselves. Our role is to keep change from becoming overwhelming. Our reward comes in helping these mature adults flourish in and accept new careers and life-styles change brings to them," she concluded.

NANCY HARMON KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Nancy Ruth Harmon, 17, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George M. Harmon, died Friday evening following an automobile accident in Midland County. She was a senior at MacArthur High School, where she studied dramatics and music and was a member of the Triple Trio. She had been the international student ambassador to Europe under the People To People Program last summer and at the time of her death was active in First United Methodist Church of Saginaw and its youth group and was also a part-time employee of Michigan National Bank.

The oldest of four children, she is survived by her sisters Mary and Elizabeth and her brother George in addition to her parents and maternal grandmother. Funeral services were scheduled for 3:00 P.M. Tuesday at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 501 N. Center, Saginaw. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the First United Methodist Church.

SEMINAR TO FEATURE DOW CORNING RESEARCHER

A seminar entitled "Silylation in Organic Chemical Compounds" is planned for this Friday, November 18, from 2:30-3:30 P.M. in Room 217 Wickes Hall, featuring Thomas H. Lane, corporate researcher for Dow Corning Corporation of Midland. Lane will discuss the employment of silyl-groups for isolation of organic compounds, determination of organic structures to aid in spectroscopic analysis, and synthesis of organic compounds.

Lane's appearance is being sponsored by the SVSC Chemistry Club and is open to everyone. Further information is available by contacting Dr. Peter Moehs in the Chemistry Department or Alan Denny.

LOUISE FERRIS NAMED TO PLANNING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Louise Ferris, Director of Orientation and Evening Services, was recently appointed to the National Orientation Directors Association Conference Planning Committee. She will be one of 15 regional committee
MINI-COMPUTER SEMINAR HERE FRIDAY

Mini-computers will be demonstrated Friday, November 18, at 1:00 P.M. in 217 Wickes Hall by John Johnson of Newman Computer Exchange, Ann Arbor. Johnson will speak at the third biweekly science colloquium, which begins with refreshments at 12:30 P.M.

MUSE-HOPPER SOON TO BE ON THE ROAD

Buoyed by a $105,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, a unique mobile museum project known as the "Muse-Hopper" will be built this winter and is expected to spring to life next May 1.

The mobile museum will be housed in a 40-foot van, to give Saginaw Valley residents a taste of area museum and art facilities close to their homes. An independent, non-profit corporation known as Muse-Hopper, Inc. exists to operate the museum outreach project. Lead institutions in the unusual consortium are SVSC and Delta College, with other participants including Midland Center for the Arts, Northwood Institute, Chippewa Nature Center, Studio 23 of Bay City, and the Bay, Midland and Frankenmuth Historical Societies.

The Muse-Hopper program will consist of both display modules in the van and public discussions presented at sites visited by the project. While the basic theme will change from year to year, the history of the Saginaw Valley region from 1776 to the present will be portrayed in 1978. The Valley's rich history, including the early fur trapping industry, lumbering trade and the growth of industry and agriculture will be depicted, along with projects for the future. Purpose of the first exhibit is to encourage people to relate family and local history to the recently-celebrated U. S. bicentennial.

Major goals of the project are directed toward making a lasting impact on museum and arts activities in the Saginaw Valley region. Muse-Hopper will bring the arts

members who will assist in the planning and implementation of the 1978 annual conference of NODA at Western Michigan University. NODA is an organization dedicated to the development of effective orientation programs, and the conference next October will deal primarily with the problems of increasing student retention through orientation programming. During the past twelve years, Mrs. Ferris has served in several administrative positions at SVSC, including academic advisement, financial aid, and campus activities.

CHOW LISTED IN WHO'S WHO

Dr. Brian G. Chow, Associate Professor of Physics, has been selected by Marquis Who's Who, Inc., publisher of Who's Who in America, to appear in the forthcoming edition of "Who's Who in the Mid-West". According to the publisher, Chow was selected in recognition of his accomplishments as a physicist.

DEL REGATO PRESENTS WORKSHOP IN COLORADO

Dr. John C. del Regato, Assistant Professor of Education, recently returned from Colorado Springs where he presented a workshop on Acoustical Mathematics Instruction. While in Colorado, he served as a chairperson for the Evaluation Committee of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics meeting.

Upon his return, del Regato was interviewed on Channel 19's "Day by Day" program, where he discussed the development of acoustical mathematics on November 14.

Del Regato will be featured speaker at the Thursday, November 17, noon faculty colloquium, where he will discuss his innovative approach to teaching mathematics to visually handicapped learners. The system employs an auditory approach to teaching math and uses del Regato's own invention, the Mathematics Acoustic Board (MAB). His talk will be open to the SVSC community and begins at 12:30 in the large private dining room at Doan Center.
and museums to persons who do not normally seek them out or who are prevented from using available resources by physical handicaps, age, or location in rural or urban areas. Other goals are to multiply the effectiveness and utilization of cultural resources available in the area and to stimulate the development of new arts and museums resources.

The $105,000 NEH grant will be spread over three years and does not complete the first year's funding, said M.S. "Cy" Smith, treasurer and member of the Muse-Hopper board. Thus the group is still seeking funds to complete funding for the program. The van has been provided without charge by Dobson The Mover, Bay City. Other major contributors have included the Michigan Council for the Humanities, Michigan Bicentennial Commission, Wickes Community Action Committee, and other corporations and private foundations. Participating organizations have also pledge money to the project, which is slated to begin visiting area communities next September 1 after earlier stops at the area colleges and arts, historical and nature groups which are members of the consortium. Interested communities are invited to contact Muse-Hopper, Inc., 2250 Pierce Road, University Center, or call 792-9531 for information about having the mobile museum visit their locale. Exhibits in the van were planned by a committee of museum directors, chaired by R. Gerald Riedel of the Hall of Ideas at the Midland Center for the Arts, and the displays are currently being designed and constructed by Design Craftsmen, Inc. of Midland. A series of four discussion topics has been prepared by academic humanists under the direction of Dr. Larry L. Collins, Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences. Participants will include Dr. John Jezierski, Professor of History, who will focus on the Lumbering Era and discuss interrelationships between individualism and corporatism, abundance and waste, leisure and technology, as well as the role of government in that era; Marilyn M. Oeming, Lecturer in Humanities and English, who will attempt to acquaint people of the Saginaw Valley

more intimately with their area's own Pulitzer Prize-winning poet, Theodore Roethke; and graduate student Will O. Franklin of Saginaw, who is preparing a history of Blacks in the Saginaw Valley.

OPAL COLVIN "RESCUED" FROM BOARD ROOM CLOSET

After emerging from captivity in the Wickes Board Room closet with Maintenance Foreman Cliff Orange, Administrative Asst. to the President Opal Colvin reported on Monday afternoon that she was none the worse for the experience. A defective lock on the door made the knob inoperative from the inside, where Mrs. Colvin had gone to file Board papers, and Orange came to her rescue some 10 minutes later. At latest report, the lock was being repaired by the Physical Plant Department.