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## OPEN HOUSE, DEDICATION SET FOR PIONEER HALL NEXT WEEK

All members of the SVSC family, including students, faculty and staff members, are invited to an open house next Monday, May 22, from 9-10 A.M. Coffee and rolls will be served along with guided tours, as the first part of the week-long dedication for the new \$2.7 million Pioneer Hall.

Even if you've previously visited our newest facility, you won't want to miss this opportunity to see the elaborate new equipment and furnishings which have been added since the last open house in January. So plan to come over to Pioneer Hall for your coffee break on Monday!

Dedication ceremonies on Monday evening will begin at 6 P.M. with a welcoming address by President Jack M. Ryder. Admissions Director Richard P. Thompson will talk on "The Role of SVSC in Meeting the Needs for Engineers and Technologists". Student and alumni viewpoints will be offered by Michael Padget, senior in engineering and technology, and Lynn L. Kauer, representing the Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Tuesday's program will feature a discussion of SVSC's programs for engineering and technology transfer students by Mark H. Denay, Assistant Director of Admissions, and a response from the community colleges by Arthur J. Oettmeier, Academic Dean of Delta College.

Wednesday night, Dr. A. Jefferson Sharp, Vice President for Development and College Relations, will deliver a thank you address. Mrs. Jan Jones will offer

a response from the Triskelions, an organization of campus and community women supporting the growth of SVSC.

The dedication program will culminate Thursday night with Dr. Sharp acting as master of ceremonies. Remarks will be offered by SVSC Board of Control secretary Mrs. Ned S. Arbury, representing the pioneer families, and Charles B. Curtiss, chairman of the Board of Control. Student Government President James Donovan will speak on behalf of the student body, and Rev. Paul S. Hammer, First Presbyterian Church, Bay City, will give the benediction.

Eldon L. Graham, Director of Engineering and Technology, will outline SVSC's engineering and technology programs each night of the dedication, and a tour of the new facility will follow each night's program.

Construction of Pioneer Hall began after groundbreaking ceremonies on October 23, 1976. Total cost for basic construction was \$1,537,322 with expenditures for architectural fees, landscaping, classroom furnishings and fixed equipment bringing the building cost to \$2,000,000. Another \$700,000 is being used for special laboratory equipment. In addition, many pieces of laboratory equipment were donated by Dow Chemical Company, Dow Corning and General Motors Corporation.

## MEMORIAL DAY IS MONDAY, MAY 29

In observance of Memorial Day on Monday, May 29, the College will be closed that day. Regular operations and classes resume on Tuesday, May 30.

## MAJOR TO BE OFFERED IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

One of Michigan's first undergraduate college majors in environmental studies will be offered by SVSC in September.

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The new curriculum is a four-year career education program for dealing with on-the-job problems relating to the environment. The program consists of a major leading to a bachelor of science degree. It will be based on 32-semester hours in principles of land use, management of air and water as limited resources, environmental law, use and conservation of energy and human ecology as a working discipline, plus four hours in engineering thermodynamics.

"The environmental studies program has been designed to increase the graduate's potential for employment as a professional in the transportation and manufacturing industries, government civil service, urban and rural planning, construction and utilities related to energy procurement or water resources," Professor of Environmental Studies Dr. Richard A. Mock explained.

He said the program provides an "optimum background" for graduate study in professional planning, conservation, resource management and engineering. It can be taken as an elective co-major with most other programs at SVSC.

In many instances, students will be able to use their elective options to complete the new major, while earning another major in a related field and still remain within SVSC's 124 credit-hour graduation requirement, Mock said.

"In addition to the employment aspect, the program will be of value to our graduates by increasing their awareness of rights, responsibilities and benefits as citizens in the environment," he said. "It will also help them as voters, buyers and consumers so they can better cope with such fundamental factors as the energy crisis -- let's face it, environmental matters are here to stay."

SVSC has operated an experimental program of this type for a number of years, through which a limited number of graduates have entered the job field in such areas as chemical industry management and city planning commission work. Others

are attending graduate schools in transportation and urban planning.

Mock said he is especially interested in attracting talented high school graduates to the program. He explained that even though environmental studies is relatively new in Michigan as an undergraduate major, all of the required courses are transferable to any other college or university, due to SVSC's full accreditation. He added that community college students can easily transfer into the program with an associate degree and background in math, biology, chemistry and macro-economics.

Persons interested in the environmental studies program should contact the Director, Division of Engineering and Technology, Pioneer Hall, SVSC or phone Ext. 256.

#### POLISH STUDIES DISPLAY CASE UNVEILED

A display case for books, plates, arts and crafts representing Polish culture has been initiated in the College library under auspices of the Institute of Polish Studies. Arrangements have been made by departmental secretary Nancy Whalen to exhibit various aspects of Polish life. The displays will be changed on a regular basis and persons with appropriate materials should contact Mrs. Whalen at Ext. 288 to have them shown.

#### HIGH SCHOOL FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHERS HOSTED HERE

SVSC's Department of Modern Foreign Languages hosted a gathering for high school foreign language teachers from Saginaw, Bay and Midland counties on May 8, with 38 persons in attendance. Teachers of French, German, Spanish and Polish were represented.

Discussion leaders included SVSC modern foreign language faculty members David Barker, Anna Dadlez, Ricardo Pastor, Kurt Tintner and Pam Renna. The discussion centered on problems faced by foreign language teachers and their potential

solution.

Members then reported back to the large group for a discussion led by Dr. Lynn Herkstroeter, departmental chairperson. She and Dr. Shiv K. Arora of the Marketing Department are currently gathering data for a statewide survey of foreign language teachers.

Those present indicated their desire to form a Saginaw Valley Foreign Language Association, where teachers can meet those who share their concerns, establish common goals and present new ideas about foreign language methodology.

#### GARDEN HOSE NEEDED

Anyone who has old garden hose is asked to bring it to the Physical Plant for use when transplanting trees. Contact Don Zorn, Ext. 222 for details.

#### DR. SMITH'S ARTICLE PUBLISHED

Dr. William Smith, Associate Professor of English, has had an article in the latest issue of "Michigan Academician." The article, "Winter in Blood: The Indian Cowboy as Everyman," deals with a contemporary novel by James Welch, a Blackfeet-Gros Ventre Indian and demonstrates how Welch uses popular forms of literature to create a modern version of the Everyman parable. Material in the article will form part of the first chapter of a book Dr. Smith is currently writing on modern American Indian Literature.

#### DR. RENNA READS AND RUNS

May 5 & 6 were busy days for Dr. Thomas Renna, Associate Professor of History. On May 5, he read his paper, "Bernard of Clairvaux's Idea of Peace in Its Historical Perspective, 750-1150," at the Cistercian Section of the 13th annual conference on Medieval Studies at Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo.

The next day, Dr. Renna finished the Saginaw Bay Marathon held at Delta

College, running the 26.2 mile course in three hours, fifty minutes. Another finisher was Dr. Robert Meadows, Associate Professor of Education and chairperson of the Education Foundation.

#### SVSC STUDENT LEADS ST. LUKE'S TEAM TO THIRD PLACE FINISH

SVSC nursing student Teri Glick recently lead a team of four medical technology students from St. Luke's Hospital to a third place finish at the Annual Student Bowl, sponsored by the Michigan Society for Medical Technologists.

The team, trained by Shirley Cresswell, Assistant Director of St. Luke's Medical Technology Program and adjunct professor at SVSC, eliminated favored Lansing Sparrow Hospital at the competition held April 29 & 30 in Lansing.

#### PERSONNEL

INSTRUCTOR OR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ACCOUNTING - Anticipated Fall '78.

INSTRUCTOR OR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MARKETING - Anticipated Fall '78.

SENIOR SECRETARY - Business Services. Full-time permanent. \$3.53 per hour.

CUSTODIAN (C.E.T.A.) - Physical Plant. Full-time. \$4.52 per hour.

These positions will be open exclusively to SVSC employees for one week. Persons interested should contact the Personnel Office. SVSC is an equal opportunity employer.